

Cheshire Neighbourhood Watch Association

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Cheshire News & Appeals



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UPDATE - Man charged with drugs offences following warrant in Northwich

A man who was arrested following a warrant in Northwich has now been charged.

Renny Hamer was arrested on Friday 26 April following a police raid at an address on Denton Drive. The 33-year-old has since been charged with possession with intent to supply Class A drugs (cocaine) and being concerned in the supply of class A drugs (cocaine) between 30 November 2023 and 26 April 2024. Hamer, of Denton Drive, Northwich, has been remanded in police custody and is set to appear at Warrington Magistrates Court on Saturday 27 April.

Woman charged following incidents in Crewe

Officers in Crewe have charged a woman in relation to a number of incidents.

Casey Lee, 32, of West Street, Crewe, was arrested on Tuesday 23 April. She has since been charged with one count of theft from a shop, criminal damage, and possession of an offensive weapon. She appeared at Chester Magistrates' Court on Thursday 25 April, where she was bailed to appear at Crewe Magistrates' Court on Monday 12 August.

The charge of theft relates to an incident that occurred on 27 February 2024 at a convenience store on Dunwoody Way, Crewe. The other two charges relate to an incident that occurred on 23 April 2024 on Merlin Way, Crewe.

Closure order granted for property in Northwich

A property in Northwich which was reported to have been involved in anti-social behaviour has been closed by police.

Officers from Northwich Beat Team were successful in being granted a closure order for an address in Hesketh Drive, Lostock Gralam, on Wednesday 24 April. This comes after officers attended Crewe Magistrates' Court with evidence relating to anti-social behaviour. The order will run for three months and during that time nobody is allowed to enter the address, including the tenant. Anyone who enters the address during that time will be committing a criminal offence and could be arrested.

PC Cawley said: *"I am grateful this closure order has been granted and hope it will bring reassurance to residents in the area, as well as the wider community, that we are committed to doing all we can to tackle this kind of behaviour. But in order for us to continue to put a stop to those engaging in anti-social behaviour, I would urge anyone experiencing any issues with this type of offence to get in touch via the Cheshire Police website or by calling 101."*

Two arrested and drugs seized following warrants in Runcorn

Two men have been arrested following warrants at addresses in Runcorn as part of a crackdown on drug supply in the town.

In the early hours of this morning (Thursday 25 April) officers from Runcorn Local Policing Unit (LPU), supported by Widnes LPU, conducted several warrants at homes in Runcorn. They included warrants at homes on Gaunts Way and Whinfell Grove. A 21-year-old man and an 18-year-old man were arrested on suspicion of possession with intent to supply class B drugs. Both men are currently in custody assisting police with their enquiries. Officers also seized a quantity of class B drugs during the warrants.

Leading the operation, Sergeant Sanson said: *"The warrants today are a great result for Runcorn LPU, sending a clear message to residents that the sale of illegal drugs will not be tolerated. These warrants come off the back of information from the community, demonstrating that we act upon the information we receive. Intelligence supplied by members of the public is crucial to this fight and I urge anyone with any information about suspected drug related activity in their community to get in touch. We will continue to tackle drug dealing and organised crime in Runcorn and elsewhere in Cheshire head on, utilising all the resources at our disposal."*

Anyone with any information in relation to illegal drug activity in their community is urged to report it to Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 or [visit the website](#).

Latest figures show crime in Cheshire continues to fall

New figures released by the Office for National Statistics show that Cheshire continues to be one of the safest places across England and Wales, with a 6.8% reduction in the number of recorded crimes, in stark contrast to the national average decrease of just 0.9%.

The figures released on Thursday 25 April 2024, cover the period between January 2023 and December 2023, compared with the previous 12 months. This represents the second consecutive year that crime has fallen in Cheshire.

Reductions were seen across many categories of crime, including public order offences (-27.9%), business robbery (-21.2%), arson (-15.4%), stalking and harassment (-15%), theft from the person (-14.4%), and violence against the person (-9.9%).

Cheshire Police's proactive approach to tackling crime has resulted in an increase for possession of drugs offences (+64.1%) and possession of weapons offences (+40.2%). This is thanks to a huge drive in proactively stopping and searching people officers believe are up to no good.

Chief Constable Mark Roberts said: *"I am incredibly proud of these latest figures, which demonstrate the hard work of Cheshire Police officers and staff to continue to make this county a hostile place for criminals. At the end of last year, more than 1,800 people were arrested during Cheshire Police's Christmas operation, with officers targeting perpetrators of anti-social behaviour, violence against women and girls, domestic abuse, and drink and drug driving – with a particular focus on night-time economy hot spot areas to keep people safe over the festive period."*

"The Constabulary also supported Operations Sceptre and Calibre, which sought to tackle knife crime and street robbery respectively. This resulted in 39 knife sweeps conducted in parks and public areas across the county."

"The 15% reduction in stalking and harassment is largely down to the incredible work of our Harm Reduction Unit. This has seen the introduction of victim proximity tags which alert victims and our control room if an offender is in close proximity to the victim."

"Like other forces across the country, we have seen an increase in shoplifting offences (+33%), but this is below the national average increase of 37%. I want to reassure businesses that we are working hard to tackle crimes against businesses and those responsible. This includes a number of innovative and proactive measures such as SelectaDNA. We have also introduced specialist facial recognition software to identify those responsible and hold them accountable, as well as applying for Criminal Behaviour Orders to ban repeat offenders from certain businesses or locations."

"This all sets a strong message to anyone who thinks they can commit crime in Cheshire and get away with it. I hope members of the public will also be reassured of the action we will carry out to prevent our residents, businesses, and communities from becoming victims of crime."

As well as a reduction in crime, Cheshire Constabulary has also seen significant improvements in the time it takes for calls to be answered and officers to arrive.

Chief Constable Mark Roberts added: *"Despite our officers having more than 900 square miles of ground to cover, including incredibly rural settings with limited access routes, between January and March 2024, the average time taken to arrive at an emergency incident was 7 minutes and 52 seconds, well below the national 15-minute target. This is in part thanks to the great work of our police staff in our control room, who play a huge role in protecting those who live in Cheshire."*

“Overall, these latest figures recognise the dedication of everyone in the Constabulary, with officers and staff members working together to ensure Cheshire is one of the safest places to live in the country.”

Woman charged following assaults in Crewe

Officers investigating an assault in Crewe have charged a woman in relation to the incident. Caitlin Broomhall, 23, of Elm Drive, Crewe was arrested on Sunday 21 April.

She has since been charged with section 18 assault. She appeared at Chester Magistrates' Court on Tuesday 23 April where she was remanded in custody until a hearing at Chester Crown Court on Tuesday 21 May. The charges relate to reports of an assault in Elm Drive, Crewe, at 6.03am on Saturday 21 April in which a 20-year-old woman was taken to hospital with a serious injury. She has since been discharged.

Northwich man charged with supplying illegal drugs

Officers from Northwich Local Policing Unit have charged a man in connection with the supply of illegal drugs in the town.

Calum Holland has been charged with being concerned in the supply of Class A drugs (cocaine) and possession with intent to supply Class A drugs (cocaine). The 28-year-old, of Peckforton Way, Northwich, is next set to appear at Chester Magistrates Court on Friday 31 May. The charge follows an incident in May 2023 when officers stopped a car on the A556 westbound in Hartford.

Prolific offender ordered to adhere to three year Criminal Behaviour Order

A prolific shoplifter from Crewe has been banned from entering a number of convenience stores across the town as part of efforts to tackle his offending.

Christopher Russell, also known as Christopher Sedgley, was issued with a three-year Criminal Behaviour Order (CBO) at Chester Magistrates' Court on Monday 22 April, following multiple shoplifting incidents across Crewe and the surrounding areas. As a result, the 39-year-old, of no fixed abode but of Crewe, has been banned from entering several shops for three years.

They include:

- The Cooperative on Lawton Way, Sandbach.
- The Cooperative on High Street, Tarporley
- The Cooperative on Beechwood Close, Stapeley
- The Cooperative on Rope Lane, Shavington
- The Cooperative on Parkers Road, Crewe

- The Cooperative on Remer Street, Crewe
- Waitrose on Brookhouse Road, Sandbach
- Sainsbury's on Middlewich Road, Nantwich
- Morrisons on Station Road, Nantwich
- The Post Office on North Street, Crewe

Russell has also been banned from entering the Grand Junction Retail Park area of Crewe as well as being banned from using threatening and abusive language and behaviour in a public place. If he fails to comply with the CBO, Russell will be committing a criminal offence which may result in a recall to prison or fine.

Duty Sergeant Jay Burns, of Crewe Beat Management, said: *"Christopher Russell is a prolific offender and he has targeted businesses across Crewe and its surrounding areas for a considerable amount of time, so I am very thankful that the hard work of our Beat Management Team has been recognised and he has now been issued with a Criminal Behaviour Order. I hope the granting of this CBO can provide some reassurance to both residents and local retailers that we are doing all we can to deter anti-social behaviour and criminality, such as Russell's, from happening in our town. If anyone does encounter Russell breaching the restrictions of his orders, then please contact Cheshire Police via cheshire.police.uk/tua/tell-us-about/soh/seen-or-heard/ or call 101, to report it."*

Alternatively, information can be given anonymously by contacting Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Winsford man jailed for county lines drug dealing

A county lines drug dealer has been jailed following an investigation by detectives from Northwich Proactive Policing Team.

Kyle Kirton appeared at Chester Crown Court on Monday 22 April where he was sentenced to five years and six months in prison. The 21-year-old, of Esk Road, Winsford, had previously pleaded guilty to two counts of being concerned in the supply of class A drugs (cocaine) and two counts of possession of criminal property.

The investigation initially began in October 2023 after officers became aware of that Kirton was in possession of a mobile phone that was being used to sell illegal drugs to users in the Winsford area. He was subsequently arrested on Friday 3 November 2023 after officers stopped a taxi he was travelling in at Winsford Town Centre.

Kirton was searched at the scene and was found in possession of more than £550 cash along with an iPhone. Officers also recovered a dismantled Nokia mobile phone in the taxi. He was arrested at the scene and taken to custody before being released on bail. Enquiries continued while he was on bail and during subsequent analysis of the iPhone officers discovered messages relating to drug dealing, traces of Kirton's DNA were also found on the dismantled Nokia mobile.

Then, at 12.43pm on Thursday 7 March 2024 Kirton seen acting suspiciously on Vauxhall Way and stopped by officers. During a search he was found in possession of a smart phone, £320 cash and a Nokia mobile phone. He was arrested at the scene and taken to custody. While reviewing the Nokia officers discovered a number of messages from people ordering drugs. They also found a drug dealers' list on the phone. Kirton was subsequently charged with two counts of being concerned in the supply of class A drugs (cocaine) and two counts of possession of criminal property.

Following the sentencing, Police Constable Dean Butterworth, who led the investigation said: *"It's clear that Kirton has no regard for the law, even while on bail he continued to deal illegal drugs in the Winsford area. Thankfully, because of our investigations we have been able to bring his offending to a stop and he is now behind bars. Illegal drugs have a devastating impact on not only drug users, but the community around them, which is why we are relentless in our pursuit to rid Cheshire of illegal drug activity. In order to achieve our goal information from the public is vital. We will always act on any information about drug activity provided to us and I would urge anyone who believes this activity is happening near to them, to please contact us on 101 or visit www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us."*

Man jailed after sharing intimate and private images of woman

A man who shared intimate and private images of a woman which had been taken nearly two decades ago has been jailed.

Mark Harrison appeared at Chester Crown Court on Monday 22 April after previously pleading guilty to the offences. The 41-year-old, of Heysham Close, Weston Coyney, Stoke-on-Trent, was jailed for 27 months for stalking involving serious distress, and distributing private images with intent to cause distress.

The Cheshire East victim in this case was made aware from third parties that there were intimate photographs of her on various websites. This extended to the photographs being posted on social media from fake accounts made in both the victim's name and false names. These were also shared with the victim's friends and family, as well as on local social media pages.

Checks were completed against two of the offending social media profiles, which showed that they were created and used at Harrison's home address. He was subsequently arrested in August 2022 and officers located the images on his devices, along with web searches for the victim's name. Harrison was later charged with the offences. On top of his 27-month sentence, he was issued with a 15-year restraining order and his electronic devices and digital storage will be destroyed.

Harrison's victim, who has life-long anonymity, said: *"For a long time, I felt very alone and embarrassed about what was happening to me and although I hadn't done anything wrong at all, I didn't know who to talk to or where to get any support from. I Googled 'revenge porn*

help' and approached 'Revenge Porn Helpline'. They have really helped me over the years, I can't speak highly enough about them and what they have done. They search for the intimate images and actively apply to the websites and pages to have them removed. I couldn't have done this without their support, and really encourage anyone who might be in a similar position to reach out to a support group and ask for help – you will be listened to and supported."

DC Lauren Constable, the officer leading the investigation, said: *"Harrison's behaviour and actions have had a significant impact on his victim. She has suffered in every aspect of her life and has been subjected to an immeasurable amount of distress because of him. But she had the courage to report this to Cheshire Police and the sentence Harrison has now received is as a result of her bravery and the subsequent police investigation."*

"The judge presiding over the case read the Victim Impact Statements, which has enabled him to really understand the impact this has had on the victim and give her a voice inside the courtroom."

"I implore anyone who might be going through something similar to report this to police, and to seek advice and support from the available agencies. While I understand how uncomfortable this can be, sharing private images is a serious offence and will be dealt with robustly. This has been reflected today and puts into practice laws and legislations surrounding this type of offence that are still relatively new. Please remember, help is here, and you do not need to suffer this in silence."

You can report offences to Cheshire Police on 101 or through the Cheshire Police website.

Man charged with shoplifting offences in Crewe and Shavington

Officers from Crewe Local Policing Unit have charged a man in connection with a number of shoplifting offences in Crewe and Shavington.

Christopher Neil Sedgley was arrested on Saturday 20 April. The 37-year-old, of no fixed abode, was subsequently charged with four counts of thefts from a shop. The charges relate to incidents that occurred in April 2024 at a convenience store on Rope Lane in Shavington, at a convenience store on Parkers Road in Crewe and at a convenience store on Readesdale Avenue in Crewe. Sedgley was remanded in police custody to appear at Chester Magistrates Court on Monday 22 April.

Cheshire Constabulary dispels myth on 'typical' stalker

Cheshire Constabulary is dispelling the myth around a 'typical stalker' in a bid to raise awareness on what stalking is and keep people safe.

The awareness raising campaign runs throughout National Stalking Awareness Week (22 – 26 April), a week-long focus on stalking ran by the Suzy Lamplugh Trust.

When many people hear the word 'stalker' – they think of a stranger lurking in the shadows or a delusional fan following a celebrity. While this covers some stalking scenarios, they are by no means the majority. In Cheshire, around 90% of all stalking offences recorded involve an ex-partner and on average, ten stalking crimes are recorded per day.

Stalking can have both an emotional and psychological impact on those it affects, and it is important that anyone who experiences any stalking behaviours reports it to the police before it goes too far – they will be believed.

Stalking behaviours to look out for:

- Fixation on your daily routine – this could involve following you, watching your every move, using a tracking device on you or on your vehicle.
- Constant obsessive and repeated communication – endless phone calls, messages, or contacting people known to you.
- Threatening and intimidating behaviour towards you or someone you know – threatening suicide, last resort thinking or sending death threats.
- Repeated unwanted attention or 'love bombing' – they could make unannounced visits to your home or workplace, send you unwanted gifts, or make declarations of love constantly.
- Unwanted sexual contact – sexual assault, sexual harassment, unwanted touching.
- Resorts to criminal behaviour to gain your attention or cause fear – they could break into your home or vehicle or cause damage to your property or belongings.

Brighton man jailed following dangerous driving

A man from Brighton has been jailed for dangerous driving following a police pursuit on the M6 motorway and through three counties.

Jack Watson appeared at Chester Crown court on Friday 19 April, where he was sentenced to 18 months in prison. The 35-year-old, of Hartfield Avenue, Brighton, had previously pleaded guilty to dangerous driving, aggravated vehicle taking, driving while disqualified and driving without insurance.

The court heard that on Friday 22 March 2022, Roads and Crime officers from Cheshire Police responded to reports that a silver Seat Ateca had been seen swerving on the M6 motorway in Cheshire. Officers quickly located the vehicle that was being driven by Watson, near Junction 22 of the M6, travelling at excess speeds through a 50mph roadworks area.

Between Junctions 25 and 26, when out of the roadworks area, two Police patrols made attempts to stop Watson's vehicle, but he failed to stop and continued to flee from police, with officers then engaging in a pursuit. Watson exited the motorway at the last moment at junction 27 of the M6, pulling in front of a HGV also leaving the motorway, and headed toward Shevington, near Wigan.

Officers continued in their pursuit of Watson, who continued to drive in excess of the speed limit and in a dangerous manner through the villages of Shevington, Gathurst, Orrel, Longshaw and Billinge in Merseyside. The pursuit concluded in Billinge when Watson collided with residential property and parked car. Such was the impact that he destroyed both vehicles and caused thousands of pounds worth of structural damage to the house.

Despite being injured, Watson continued to evade police, decamping from the crashed vehicle, and fleeing on foot from officers - he was later found hiding in the rear garden of the house he had crashed into.

Following his arrest, officers discovered that Watson had obtained the car from a rental company before he had been insured and given permission to drive the vehicle, they also found that he was subject to a current disqualification from driving for similar offences. Watson refused to answer any questions, aside from the fact that he was disqualified from driving. But despite this, he was subsequently charged with dangerous driving, aggravated vehicle taking, driving while disqualified and driving without insurance.

The 35-year-old appeared at Chester Crown court on Friday 19 April, where he was sentenced to 18 months in prison.

Police Constable Richardson, of the Force's Roads and Crime Unit, said: *"Jack Watson's decisions that day not only endangered the lives of other road users and the officers pursuing him, but he also risked seriously harming members of the public sat inside what is meant to be the safety of their own home. When Watson's vehicle eventually came to a stop, which was a result of his reckless driving and thinking he could outrun police, he caused considerable damage to a vehicle he did not have permission to drive or own, a parked vehicle and the exterior of someone's home. All of this would have been avoided if Watson had not got behind the wheel that day."*

"As a force, we do all we can to educate and encourage all motorists to drive safely on Cheshire's roads and this incident sends a message that we will not hesitate to act against those individuals set on flouting the rules of the road and who think the law does not apply to them. It is also my hope that Watson finally learns from this and never places himself in this position again."

If you have any information in relation to dangerous driving or speeding, please contact us via cheshire.police.uk/tell-us or call 101. Information can also be passed on anonymously via CrimeStoppers. Information on the [penalties for speeding can be found on the Gov.UK website](#).

Cheshire man jailed after threatening to kill judge and prison governors

A man who threatened to kill a Chester Crown Court Judge and three Prisoner Governors has been jailed.

Peter Johnson appeared at Birmingham Crown Court on Monday 22 April where he was sentenced to 51 months in prison. The 62-year-old, of Back Lane, Eaton, near Macclesfield, was previously found guilty of four counts of threats to kill and six counts of malicious communications. During the trial at Birmingham Crown Court the jury heard how Johnson had previously served time in prison after pleading guilty to five counts of stalking involving serious alarm and distress.

Following his sentencing a number of initially anonymous abusive letters were sent to the judge who had sentenced Johnson. While serving his sentence, he became friends with a man from Newcastle-upon-Tyne who was serving time for fraud. Following his release, Johnson fell victim to the fraudster and lost £15,000. However, rather than report the matter to police, he decided to take revenge by setting him up.

Following the initial letters sent to the judge, Johnson decided to start sending more abusive letters to three prison governors who managed the prisons where the fraudster had served time. He also continued to send abusive letters to the judge, who also happened to be the same judge who had also previously sentenced to fraudster. However, this time the letters were purported as being from the fraudster. All of the letters were littered with racist, homophobic and neo-Nazi content. Many also included threats to kill the victims.

Johnson's downfall came following an investigation by detectives from Cheshire Police. During their enquiries officers found that the letters had been posted in the WA postcode area, hundreds of miles away from where the fraudster was living. When Johnson was arrested in relation to the matter, he denied any involvement and stated that it was simply a coincidence that the letters had been posted in the area where he lived. However, following his release, the next letter suddenly got sent in the Chester area.

When officers examined ANPR data, they found that Johnson had travelled from Congleton to Chester on the day the letter was sent. The data showed that he spent just minutes in the city before returning home. During further enquiries officers also recovered CCTV footage of him posting a letter in Chester. Officers also discovered traces of Johnson's DNA on some of the letters. Regardless of all the evidence against him, Johnson chose to plead not guilty to all of the charges. Despite his denial, the jury found him guilty.

Following the sentencing, Detective Sergeant Paul Davis, of the Cheshire Police Major Investigation Team, said: *"Johnson is clearly a dangerous individual, who has a history of committing offences of this nature. During his latest period of offending, he embarked on a campaign of psychological warfare against his victims, bombarding them with letters of a racist, homophobic and neo-Nazi nature. In many of the letters, he even went as far as threatening to kill them, leaving them in fear for their lives."*

"Other than the judge, most of the victims had no links to Johnson whatsoever, they were simply a side matter. However, with the judge, Johnson also had a personal matter that he wanted to settle, as not only had they sentenced the fraudster, but the same judge also sentenced him in 2019. During that sentencing, Johnson was not only jailed, but he was banned from ever returning to his home in Alsager."

“Through his elaborate plan, Johnson thought that he would be able to seek the ultimate revenge on his former cellmate by setting him up for a crime he did not commit, while also seeking revenge on the judge at the same time. Unlucky for him, he chose to commit his crime in Cheshire, and through our detailed investigation, we were able to gather a catalogue of damning evidence against him which resulted in a unanimous guilty verdict.”

Man charged following robbery in Crewe

Officers investigating a robbery at a betting shop in Crewe have charged a man in relation to the incident.

Benjamin Hargreaves, 35, of Holmes Chapel Road, Holmes Chapel, was arrested on Thursday 18 April in Middlewich Road, Sandbach. He has since been charged with robbery, criminal damage, and possession of a class B drug. He appeared at Chester Magistrates’ Court on Saturday 20 April. He has been remanded in custody to appear at Chester Crown Court on Monday 20 May. The charges relate to reports of a robbery at a betting shop in Market Street, Crewe, at 1.51pm on Thursday 18 April.

Latest Cheshire Appeals

Police warn residents to be vigilant following distraction thefts in Cheshire East

Officers investigating a series of distraction thefts in Cheshire East are urging members of the public to remain vigilant.

On Tuesday 23 April, four separate incidents were reported to Cheshire Police, in which elderly residents had been distracted when using their bank cards and had quantities of money stolen from their accounts. The first occurred at around 11am on Tuesday 23 April at Princess Street car park, Knutsford. The second and third incidents both occurred at around 12.30pm that day in Macclesfield, one at Tesco Exchange Street car park, and one at Churchill Way car park. The third incident took place at Sainsbury’s car park in Alderley Road, Wilmslow, at around 2pm. The incidents involved an unknown man pretending to help people with card transactions, either at an ATM, or by posing as a traffic warden and saying he would help the individuals purchase a parking ticket.

PC Matthew Cox said: *“Enquiries are currently ongoing into this series of distraction thefts and we would like to reassure the public that we are doing everything we can to trace those responsible. Please be vigilant when using ATM machines and pay close attention to your surroundings. Don’t be distracted by people trying to talk to you or touch you, and report any suspicious activity to a member of staff wherever you are using the machine. If at any point you feel uncomfortable, cancel the transaction.”*

“Similarly, traffic wardens will never ask you to pay them directly for parking tickets or fines. Official local authority parking enforcement officers will have identification which you can check to make sure they are genuine.”

“Further crime prevention advice, including how to keep yourself safe when out and about, is available on the Cheshire Police website.”

“Remember to report any incidents of this nature to Cheshire Police through our website, by calling 101, or by calling 999 in an emergency. If anyone has any information in relation to the recent incidents in Cheshire East, please quote 24000379533.”

Appeal for witnesses following serious collision in Ellesmere Port

Officers investigating a serious collision in Ellesmere Port are appealing for any witnesses or those with dashcam footage to get in touch with them.

At 6.50pm on Friday 19 April, police were called to reports of a collision on Bridge Meadow near to the junction with Broadland Road. The incident involved a silver Ford B-Max and a pedal cycle. The cyclist, a 60-year-old man, suffered serious injuries during the incident and was taken to hospital. He remains in hospital at this time. Officers investigating what happened are now hoping to speak to anyone who witnessed the incident.

Sergeant Darren Owen said: *“We are appealing for any witnesses to this collision to get in touch with us. The same goes for anyone who may have dashcam or CCTV footage of what happened. You can report information to us via cheshire.police.uk/tell-us, or call 101, quoting 24000355960.”*

Appeal for witnesses following collision in Crewe

Officers investigating a collision in Crewe are appealing for any witnesses to get in touch with them.

At around 3.30pm on Monday 18 March, police were called to reports of a collision on Bedford Street, near to the junction with Barker Street. The incident involved a black vehicle and a three-year-old boy. The boy suffered a serious foot injury and was taken to hospital. He has since been discharged. The driver of the car stopped briefly, before leaving the scene without providing their details. The driver has been described by witnesses as an Asian or black man, and the vehicle he was driving may have been a taxi. Enquiries have been ongoing since the incident took place, however, attempts to trace the vehicle and driver have not been successful.

PC Ian Cosgrove said: *“We are urging anyone who witnessed what happened or has any dashcam or CCTV footage which may aid our investigation to get in touch with us. We appreciate this incident happened more than a month ago and enquiries have been*

ongoing since, however we would ask anyone who was in the area at the time to think back about anything they may have seen.”

You can report information to Cheshire Police on 101, or via www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us, quoting 24000265579.

Appeal for witnesses and video footage following a serious collision in Holmes Chapel

Police are appealing for witnesses and video footage following a serious collision in Holmes Chapel.

At around 1.50pm on Tuesday 23 April police were called to reports of a collision on the A50 Knutsford Road, in Holmes Chapel. Officers attended the scene and found there had been a collision between a Grey Ford Transit van which was travelling towards Cranage, and a Silver Peugeot 5008 which was travelling towards Holmes Chapel.

The driver of the Peugeot sustained serious but not life-threatening injuries, they were taken to the Royal Stoke Hospital where they remain at this time. The driver of the Transit van was uninjured. The road was closed while officers dealt with the incident, it reopened at around 7pm.

Enquiries in relation to the collision are ongoing and as part of the investigation officers are keen to hear from anyone who witnessed the incident or anyone with any video footage which may aid the investigation. Anyone with any information is asked to call 101 or visit www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us, quoting IML 1806919.

Police area appealing for information and video footage following the coordinated theft of two cars in Chester

Police are appealing for information and video footage following the coordinated theft of two cars in Chester.

The first incident occurred shortly after 1.30pm on Tuesday 16 April when a grey Ford Transit Torneo arrived at Chester Zoo car park. Unknown persons exited the vehicle and stole a grey Range Rover which was parked at the zoo. Both the Transit Torneo and the Range Rover then left the car park in convoy.

A short time later, at 2.15pm the same Transit entered the Court car park in Chester city centre. Again, unknown persons exited the Transit and on this occasion they stole a black Nissan Navara. All three vehicles then left the area minutes apart, travelling out of the city over the Grosvenor bridge.

Enquiries in relation to the thefts are ongoing and officers are keen to hear from anyone with any information or video footage which may aid the investigation.

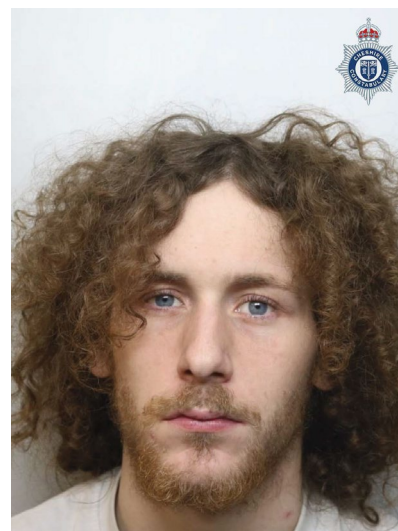
Police Constable James Wright, of Chester Proactive Policing Team, said: *"It is clear that this was a carefully coordinated theft of two vehicles and we're committed to doing all we can to identify those responsible. As part of our investigation we are keen to hear from anyone who was in the car parks at the time of the offences and believes they may have seen anything suspicious. The same goes for anyone with any video or dashcam footage which may aid the investigation."*

Anyone with any information is asked to contact Cheshire police on 101 or visit www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us quoting 24000346311

Police appeal to trace wanted man from Flintshire

Police are appealing for help from the public in tracing a 27-year-old man from Flintshire.

James Tasker is wanted for breach of bail. Tasker is around 5' 8" tall, of a slim build, and has brown curly hair. He is also known to have links to Chester, Ellesmere Port, and Winsford. Anyone with any information about Tasker's whereabouts should contact Cheshire Police [via the website](#) or by calling 101, quoting 23001291347.



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