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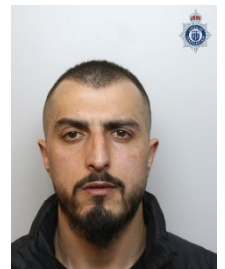
A man has been charged with multiple drugs offences in Ellesmere Port.

William Cubbins was arrested on Whitby Road, Ellesmere Port on Wednesday 10 June. The 19-year-old of Ferguson Avenue, Ellesmere Port, has since been charged with three counts of possession with intent to supply ketamine, possession of cannabis, and possession of criminal property. He appeared at Chester Magistrates' Court on Thursday 11 June and has been remanded in custody to appear at Chester Crown Court on Thursday 23 July.

Salford man jailed for sexual assaults on Warrington nights out

A man from Salford has been jailed for sexually assaulting two women in Warrington.

Raigal Ahmad was jailed for 14 months at Liverpool Crown Court on Tuesday 9 June after he had previously pleaded guilty to two counts of sexual assault. The 35-year-old was found not guilty of assault by beating. The court heard that Ahmad, of Gerald Road, Salford, had sexually assaulted two women in two separate incidents in July 2024 and January 2025 whilst on nights out in Warrington town centre.



The first incident occurred on 19 July 2024, when the 35-year-old approached a 41-year-old woman in a nightclub and began to touch her inappropriately and without her consent. Despite the victim moving his hands from her, Raigal continued to touch her. The second incident took place at a bar on 26 January 2025, where Ahmad was witnessed lingering outside the premises and making advances towards a group of women. Despite being repeatedly being told by the group to leave them alone, Ahmad followed them to a nearby takeaway. Whilst inside, he proceeded to touch the bottom of a 36-year-old woman. This quickly developed in a physical altercation, which resulted in officers being called to the scene and Ahmad being placed under arrest as he attempted to leave in a taxi.

In custody, Ahmad denied following the group of women, claiming it was a coincidence that he been at both the bar and the takeaway and that he had not followed him. However, he did admit to touching the 36-year-old, claiming that they had been joking with each other whilst ordering food and playfully tapped her thigh. In a separate interview regarding the incident that occurred in the nightclub in July 2024, Ahmad denied any wrongdoing. Despite initially entering a not guilty plea, 35-year-old changed his plea to guilty in May 2026. Alongside his custodial sentence, Ahmad has been ordered to sign on to the Sex Offenders Register for 10 years and has been made the subject of a five-year Restraining Order against both of his victims.

Detective Constable Phillip Jackson, of CID Reactive North, said: *"It is basic human decency that when someone asks to be left alone and does not give you their consent to touch them, you respect their needs. Raigal Ahmad, however, ignored this and repeatedly made unwanted, predatory, advances toward two women who were simply wanting to enjoy a night out with friends. We treat all instances of sexual assault with the utmost seriousness, placing the needs and wellbeing of victims at the centre of all investigations. Anyone who comes to us with concerns such as serious as those exhibited above will be listened to and treated with respect. No matter how small the claim may seem, we will do all we can to get you the just you deserve."*

Nantwich woman jailed for drug dealing

A woman from Nantwich has been jailed for more than five years after she admitted being involved in the supply of illegal drugs.



Abigail Wright appeared at Chester Crown Court on Wednesday 10 June, where she was sentenced to five years and seven months in prison. The 38-year-old of Wesley Close, Nantwich, had previously pleaded guilty to two counts of being concerned in the supply of class A drugs (heroin and crack cocaine).

The investigation began after detectives became aware of a mobile telephone number which was being used by a county lines gang in the Nantwich area. The device, known as a 'graft phone' was being used to sell illegal drugs in the area, sending out bulk text messages daily advertising the sale of heroin and crack cocaine. Following enquiries, officers established that Wright was controlling the phone and she was subsequently arrested near to her home on Tuesday 3 March 2026.

A search was later undertaken at her address where officers located approximately 20 wraps of heroin and crack cocaine with a street value of approximately £200, along with the graft phone. During analysis of the phone, officers recovered hundreds of messages advertising the sale of illegal drugs. After gathering a catalogue of evidence, Wright was later charged in relation to the sale of illegal drugs.

Following the sentencing, the detective leading the investigation said: *"I welcome the substantial sentence handed to Wright and I hope that it acts as a warning to those involved in the sale of illegal drugs. Illegal drugs can have a devastating impact on not only drug users, but the community around them, and we are committed to doing all we can to ensure those responsible are held accountable. We will always act on any information about drug activity provided to us and 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."*

Family of a man who died in a collision in Crewe pay tribute to him

The family of a man who sadly died following a collision in Crewe have paid tribute to him.

Danny Price, 30, was riding a BMW motorcycle when he was involved in a collision with a red Nissan Juke on Dunwoody Way, Crewe, on Wednesday 27 May.

Danny's mum said: *"We are completely devastated by the loss of my son, Danny Price, a brother to two sisters, Lorraine and Lucie. Your kindness has left a print on every life you touched. Danny was bright, kind and funny, with a whole life in front of him. For me, his mum, his sisters, family, his girlfriend, his three beautiful children and his friends, our lives will never be the same and will always be less shiny from now on. We will love and miss you forever, Danny."*



Danny's partner said: *"Our relationship was strengthened not only by happiness but by the challenges we worked through together. When difficulties arose, we stayed present and committed to ride every obstacle that came our way. I miss the confidence that came from knowing we would handle whatever life brought as a team. Though you are no longer here with me, the strength we built together remains part of who I am today. I am grateful for the stability you brought into our family life. Our three beautiful children, and a child of mine Danny loved like his own, are completely heartbroken. The time we shared, much shorter than we ever could have imagined, was meaningful and lasting, and it will continue in how I deal with life each day. I will always share and show the love you had for our children and stay strong in every way possible."*

Man jailed for controlling and coercive behaviour

A man who tried to control and manipulate a woman has been jailed for more than two years.

Daniel Johnson, of Chester Road, Warrington, was sentenced to 27 months at Chester Crown Court on Tuesday 9 June 2026. The 53-year-old had pleaded guilty to controlling and coercive behaviour and perverting the course of justice.



Concerns were raised to police about Johnson's behaviour towards the victim and the victim was subsequently spoken to. She disclosed that Johnson was verbally abusive towards her. He had made unwanted sexual advances towards her and had taken photographs of the victim in a state of undress without her consent. He isolated her from her family and friends, and the victim reported he would also take money from her, so she was therefore dependent upon him.

Johnson persistently contacted her, making her fear repercussions if she didn't respond, and even monitored her movements by following her in his car and attending her address uninvited. Johnson then also told the victim he would harm himself if she did not drop the charges against him. He even tried to pervert the course of justice by parking outside her house and sending her letters in an effort to get her to take back her statement to police. Despite this, Johnson was charged and admitted the offences in court. He must also comply with the terms of a restraining order to protect the victim.

Constable Earps said: *"Johnson's calculated and manipulative behaviour has thankfully been brought to an end because of the bravery of this victim in speaking to police about what happened to her. He went to great lengths to try and control the victim, gaslighting her in an effort to keep her trapped. No-one should be subjected to this kind of behaviour."*

"To report offences of this nature, please call 101 or visit our website and report online."

Two people charged following Winsford collision

Officers investigating a collision in Winsford have charged two people in relation to the incident.

Jay Price, 35, and Kelly Brown, 31, have both been charged with committing an act/series of acts with intent to pervert the course of public justice. Price, has also been charged with driving without due care and attention; failing to report a collision; driving without a licence and driving without insurance. The pair, both of Cavendish Close, Winsford, have been bailed and are set to appear at Chester Magistrates Court on Friday 31 July. The charges follow a collision on Thursday 22 January 2026, where a car was found overturned in a pond off Bradford Road in Winsford.

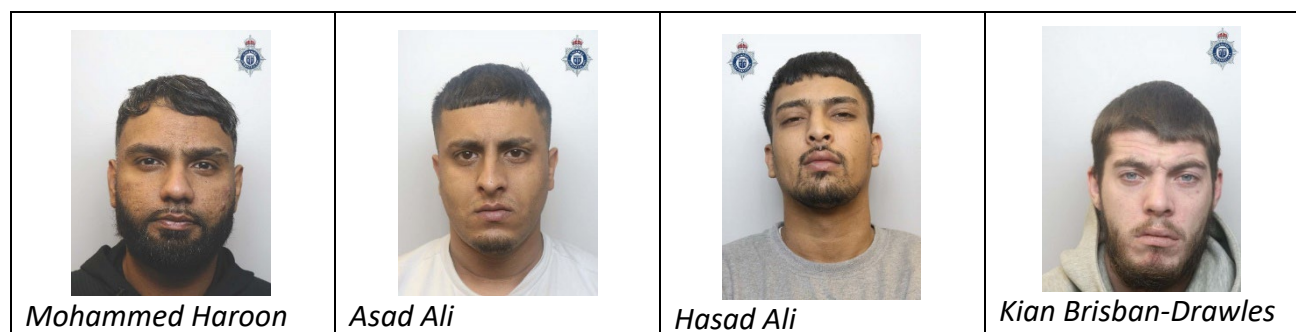
Four men jailed for string of car thefts across the country

Four men have been jailed after admitting conspiracy to steal cars across the country.

Asad Ali, 24 from Ermington Crescent, Birmingham, Hasan Ali, 26, also from Emington Crescent, Kian Brisban-Drawles, 25, from Nafford Grove, Birmingham, and Mohammed Haroon, 29, from Roon End Road, Birmingham appeared at Chester Crown Court on 27 May for their part in the conspiracy. Asad Ali was jailed for four years, Hasan Ali was jailed for four years and two months, Haroon was jailed for three years in prison and Brisbane-Drawles was jailed for one year and nine months.

An investigation by Crewe Proactive CID identified 14 cars stolen from driveways across the country including Staffordshire, Leicestershire, Birmingham and Hampshire were linked to the gang of thieves. Their crime spree occurred between 1 May 2025 and 25 July 2025. They first came to the attention of the team when cars were stolen from driveways in Congleton Sandbach and Haslington. The cars had been stolen without their keys. The men had used a piece of equipment that reads the signal from the car keys in the house to open the car door and start the engine. This was found in a car belonging to Haroon when he was arrested

A car used in their crimes was also registered to Hassan and which was also used by his brother Asad. The keys were found on Hassan. A subsequent search of their address uncovered a large amount of car parts in the garage. These were identified as being parts of cars that were reported stolen from various areas of the country.



Officers went on to link the men to the thefts with evidence that put them in the cars and the addresses of the victims from phone analysis to CCTV and other investigative methods. They also discovered they talked about the cars and their crimes in messages on their phones.

DC Ben Harrington said: *"These men worked together to steal high value cars but made the mistake of targeting Cheshire residents. They are now facing the consequences of their actions."*

Operation Chemical: HGV drivers carrying dangerous goods given warning following safety and compliance operation

Officers from the Constabulary's Commercial Vehicle's Unit have concluded a three-week operation ensuring vehicles carrying dangerous goods on Cheshire's roads and motorways were doing so safely.



Running between Tuesday 5 May and Friday 22 May, officers from the Constabulary's Commercial Vehicle Unit (CVU) took part in Operation Chemical. The nationally run operation, which was overseen by partner colleagues from the Carriage of Dangerous Goods Practitioners Forum (CDGPF), was launched to ensure that vehicles transporting substances that could pose a serious risk to the public are doing so safely.

Positioning themselves on motorways and the busiest road networks across Cheshire, CVU officers stopped numerous transportation units from all over the world throughout the campaign. The units themselves, their drivers, and their companies were then assessed for relevant compliance and safety checks. Unfortunately, approximately 75% of the 15 vehicles checked were found to be in breach of safety regulations, meaning they posed a serious risk to other road users, the public, and the drivers themselves.

During a vehicle inspection in Sandbach, officers inspected a Spanish-registered heavy goods vehicle that was carrying a large quantity of dangerous goods from Manchester to Spain. Compliance checks revealed that the driver had not received any training on how to transport the dangerous goods safely prior to beginning his journey and that he did not hold a licence to operate the vehicle while carrying them. The driver was subsequently prohibited from continuing his journey.

Another incident required CVU officers to attend the scene on the A556 in Davenham following reports of an acid leak. The vehicle in question had been displaying signage indicating that volatile substances were being carried; as a result, a large-scale emergency response was deployed to the scene. However, it was quickly ascertained that the vehicle had not been leaking acid but that its fuel tank had ruptured, causing diesel to spread onto the carriageway. The driver claimed he had forgotten to remove the signage from a previous delivery. This meant that the emergency service response was ultimately unnecessary and that residents in the area were unduly disrupted.

Dangerous Goods Safety Advisor Police Constable Aiden Sharrock, of the Commercial Goods Unit, said: *"It was very alarming to see such a high number of commercial and heavy goods vehicle drivers not adhering to the laws and regulations designed to keep them, other motorists, and the public safe, especially given the hazardous materials they were carrying. It is for exactly this reason that the Commercial Goods Unit, which has recently celebrated its first anniversary of operations in Cheshire, conducts deployments such as this to ensure those operating on our roads are doing so safely - and taking action against those who do not. We'll continue doing everything we can to ensure hauliers and the public drive safely. This operation should make one thing clear: we will act, without hesitation, against anyone who chooses to ignore road laws and put others at risk."*

Man jailed following Warrington burglary

A Manchester man who broke into a house in Warrington has been jailed.

Freddie Shelley appeared at Manchester Minshull Street Crown Court on Tuesday 9 June 2026, where he was jailed for ten months. The 32-year-old, of Lee Crescent, Stretford, had earlier pleaded guilty to one count of burglary. Shelley's offending began at around 5.40pm on Sunday 18 May 2025, when he forced entry into a house in Thelwall, before leaving the scene empty-handed a short time later.



An investigation was launched by local officers and Shelley was quickly identified as the suspect after officers recovered CCTV footage of him. He was subsequently arrested on Tuesday 20 May at his home in Stretford, where officers recovered clothing matching what was worn by the offender. They also located the bike which was used to flee the scene. Shelley refused to answer any questions put to him by officers but was later charged in relation to both burglaries.

Following the sentencing Detective Constable Hannah Barton, of Warrington Proactive CID said: *"While Shelley may have fled the scene empty handed, the impact of his crime should not be underestimated. Burglary is a horrific offence, the effect on victims can be long-lasting and even lead to some wanting to move house once their safe space has been violated by thieves. That's why we're committed to doing all we can to ensure that those responsible are held accountable for their actions. I hope that the sentence handed to Shelley will provide some closure to the victim and also provide reassurance to the local community."*

Cheshire Constabulary marks National Specials Weekend with county-wide day of action

Volunteer police officers from across Cheshire came together on Saturday 6 June to support a force-wide day of action as part of National Specials Weekend, demonstrating the vital role they play in keeping communities safe.



More than 50 members of the Special Constabulary were on duty across the county, working alongside regular officers to deliver a wide range of policing activity, including targeting wanted offenders, proactive patrols in hotspot areas, traffic enforcement, engagement at community events and supporting incidents within the night-time economy. Throughout the day, officers were highly visible in towns and communities including

Warrington, Widnes, Crewe, Chester, Ellesmere Port, Wilmslow and Congleton, providing reassurance to residents while tackling key local concerns.

Special Chief Officer Leon Boland said: *"National Specials Weekend provides a welcome opportunity to shine a spotlight on the incredible work of our volunteer police officers, but what we saw over the weekend is just a snapshot of what they deliver all year round. I want to thank the more than 50 specials who gave up their Saturday to serve our communities. Your professionalism, commitment and willingness to step forward - often at the expense of personal time - makes a real and tangible difference to policing across Cheshire. I'm equally proud of every member of the Special Constabulary who contributes throughout the year. Together, our volunteers provide thousands of hours of policing support, strengthening our service, supporting our regular colleagues and helping to keep our communities safe."*

Key moments from the day of action included targeted work to tackle anti-social driving, with officers carrying out dedicated speed enforcement in Alderley Edge and Wilmslow in response to concerns raised by local residents, using intelligence-led patrols to address ongoing issues. In Congleton, proactive patrols in known hotspot areas led to a rider being arrested and an illegal bike seized after officers identified drug use. Special Constables also supported a range of local events, providing a visible and reassuring presence during a busy music festival in Warrington and engaging with communities at events such as the Afro Festival in Crewe.

Partnership working was evident throughout the day, with officers assisting Cheshire Fire and Rescue Service at the scene of a road traffic collision in Halton, helping to ensure the safety of both emergency responders and members of the public. High-visibility patrols in key retail locations, including Cheshire Oaks and Chester City Centre, saw officers engaging with residents, businesses and young people, helping to build trust and confidence within the community. The day also provided valuable opportunities to develop future officers, with newly trained Special Constables undertaking their first operational duties and gaining important frontline experience under supervision. In total, the activity showcased only a fraction of the contribution made by the Special Constabulary, who have already volunteered over 23,000 hours so far this year.

Assistant Chief Constable Bill Dutton said: *“Our Special Constables play a vital role in policing across Cheshire, and this day of action highlights the breadth of what they bring - from tackling crime and anti-social behaviour to engaging with communities and supporting major events. They are a highly valued part of our workforce, providing additional resilience, skills and community insight that strengthens our ability to protect the public. I would like to thank every volunteer who has contributed their time this weekend and throughout the year. Their dedication and commitment are outstanding, and they continue to make a meaningful difference to the safety and wellbeing of our communities.”*

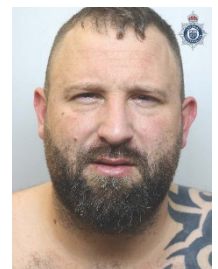


The day of action also highlighted the importance of community intelligence, with officers responding directly to concerns raised by residents and using that information to shape patrol plans and enforcement activity. Anyone inspired by the weekend’s activity and interested in becoming a volunteer police officer is encouraged to [apply on the recruitment section of our website](#) before the application window closes on Monday 15 June

Winsford man found guilty of rape

A man from Winsford has been found guilty of rape, assault and two counts of controlling and coercive behaviour.

Damon Furmedge was found guilty of the charges following an eight-day trial at Chester Crown Court which concluded on Friday 29 May. The 36-year-old, previously from Weaver Street, Winsford, has been remanded in custody and will appear at Chester Crown Court on 17 July to be sentenced.



The case began in November 2024 when police received an anonymous call about Furmedge’s behaviour towards the victim. The victim was spoken to on her own but was reluctant to give any

information and said she was scared. After gaining the women's trust, she went on to disclose how she had been raped, strangled and abused by Furmedge. The woman told officers that the first time she was assaulted Furmedge threw her fully clothed into a bath-full of water and held her under the water by her neck. He did this twice and left her terrified she was going to die. What followed was a catalogue of threats, violence and controlling behaviour which left her so scared that she considered taking her own life to escape. She told officers that Furmedge had installed cameras and microphones at her home, he had also monitored her movements by tracking her phone and threatened to harm her.

DC Hannah Lamborn from Northwich CID said: *"The level of intimidation and violence was terrifying for the victim who wanted to report Furmedge but was scared of the repercussions. The anonymous call that night gave her the courage to speak out about her ordeal. I think that's a vital example of how concerned friends and family can call out this horrific behaviour and help their loved-one break free. I would personally like to thank the victim for her courage in supporting the Police investigation so that justice could be served. Our officers are here to help you, with the assistance of specialist agencies, to break the cycle of abuse and get the perpetrator away from you and convict them of their abhorrent crimes."*

Warrington man charged with numerous offences

A man from Warrington has been charged with assault, theft and harassment offences.

Oliver Booth was arrested on Friday 29 May in the Perth Close area of Warrington. The 44-year-old has since been charged with three counts of assault of a person causing actual bodily harm, two counts of assault by beating and two counts of intentional strangulation. Booth, of Perth Close, Warrington, has also been charged with theft from a person, criminal damage, harassment, engaging in controlling and coercive behaviour, threatening a person with an offensive weapon in a public place and breaching a non-molestation order.

Booth appeared at Chester Magistrates' Court on Saturday 6 June, where he was remanded in custody to appear at Liverpool Crown Court on Monday 6 July.

Football fans encouraged to celebrate responsibly during this year's World Cup

With the World Cup 2026 getting underway on 11 June, football fans across Cheshire are being reminded to enjoy the tournament safely and responsibly.

With supporters expected to gather in homes, pubs, and venues across the county to follow their teams, Cheshire Police is encouraging everyone to celebrate the competition in a positive and respectful way. Due to matches taking place across the United States, Canada and Mexico, many fixtures will be played later in the evening, which may lead to increased night-time activity. Cheshire Police is working closely with licensed premises and partners to help ensure people can enjoy the tournament safely during these busy periods.

While the vast majority of fans will celebrate without issue, heightened emotions combined with alcohol consumption can increase the risk of disorder. Supporters are therefore encouraged to look out for one another, avoid confrontation, and walk away from any situations that could escalate.

Additional policing resources will be deployed across key locations during match days, with officers providing reassurance and responding swiftly to any anti-social or criminal behaviour.

Chief Superintendent Gareth Wrigley, who is overseeing Cheshire Police's operation for the World Cup, said: *"The World Cup is a fantastic opportunity for people to come together and enjoy the atmosphere, and the vast majority of fans do exactly that. However, a small minority can spoil things for others, particularly where alcohol and heightened emotions are involved. We will have increased patrols in place across key town centres and busy locations during match periods, including licensed premises and any organised fan events, to help keep people safe and provide reassurance. You will see officers out and about across the county - we are there to support communities and ensure everyone can enjoy the tournament safely."*

With many people planning to meet up with friends and family to watch matches, Cheshire's emergency services are also reminding residents of the serious risks associated with drink and drug driving. Even small amounts of alcohol or drugs can significantly impair a driver's reactions, concentration, and vision, increasing the risk of serious or fatal collisions. Anyone found to be over the legal limit or under the influence of drugs will face significant consequences, including a driving ban, a fine and a criminal record.

Chief Superintendent Wrigley added: *"Alcohol and drugs have a direct impact on your ability to drive safely, slowing reaction times and impairing judgement. If you are heading out to watch the football where alcohol may be involved, plan ahead. Book a taxi, arrange a designated driver or stay over. We are not here to stop people enjoying the World Cup — we want everyone to have a good time. Our role is to ensure that the minority do not put others at risk or undermine what should be a positive occasion for communities across Cheshire."*

Anyone who witnesses anti-social or suspicious behaviour is encouraged to report it to an officer or by calling Cheshire Police on 101.

18 arrested following Operation Crossbow deployment across north Cheshire

Today, Monday 8 June, Cheshire Police has launched a proactive day of activity under Operation Crossbow, targeting a range of criminality and road safety issues across the north of the county.

In this, the force's second Crossbow deployment for 2026, officers from across the northern areas of Cheshire (Warrington, Widnes and Runcorn) intensified their efforts to locate outstanding wanted criminals and disrupt criminality in our town centres and retail settings. Officers from the Constabulary's Bike Units, who assisted with the operation, were also on hand to support the NPCC's Two-Wheels Week of Action, aiming to target anti-social and dangerous drivers' intent on using illegal e-bikes, e-scooters and Sur-Rons.

The day began with an 8am briefing at the home of the Warrington Wolves rugby club, with more than 140 officers being joined by members of the Constabulary's senior command team and Members of Parliament, with rallying addresses delivered by Chief Constable Mark Roberts, Superintendent Sam Billington, Area Commander for North Cheshire, and Inspector Matt Lagar. The teams then took to their vehicles and rolled out across the northern areas.

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As part of the operation, officers made a total of 18 arrests for a variety of offences, including theft, criminal damage, DA assault, fraud, stalking, indecent exposure and possession of indecent images. Arrests were also made for dangerous driving, drug driving, possession of cannabis and possession of a prohibited firearm. In addition, a number of individuals were detained for outstanding warrants and recalled to prison for breaching licence conditions.

Officers also carried out targeted road traffic enforcement, issuing 23 Traffic Offence Reports for offences such as driving without due care and attention, using a mobile phone while driving, not wearing a seatbelt and driving without insurance. During the operation, officers responded to members of the public in need, providing immediate assistance to an unconscious man and to a man who suffered a seizure following a road traffic collision.

Meanwhile, colleagues in Runcorn spotted a vulnerable man near the Silver Jubilee Bridge. Officers subsequently engaged with the 56-year-old and called ambulance colleagues, who promptly took him to hospital. In the Bankside area of Warrington, officers were called to reports of shoplifting at a supermarket. Upon attendance, officers discovered that the 44-year-old suspect was also wanted in connection with exposure offences in the Greater Manchester area.

Officers in Widnes were conducting address checks for a wanted individual and located a large quantity of cannabis and other drug paraphernalia. Neighbourhood and response officers also undertook over 100 visits to local retailers, providing crime prevention advice and distributing Operation Retail packs. These visits were well received, leading to positive engagement with businesses and strengthening local partnerships.

Superintendent Sam Billington, Area Commander for North Cheshire, said: *"Operation Crossbow is our opportunity to highlight to our partners and the residents of Warrington, Runcorn and Widnes the efforts put in by our officers 365 days a year to keep them safe and make the area a hostile environment for criminality. This day of intensified action saw officers of various ranks, departments and expertise come together with a common goal in mind: to bring in wanted criminals who are bold enough to think they can get away with escaping justice."*

"What was also amazing to see was some of our newest recruits within the Constabulary throwing themselves into the deep end and helping out with one of the biggest proactive operations conducted in the north. It was the combined efforts of all those involved that resulted in a total of 18 people, a mixture of wanted criminals and those identified by our eagle-eyed officers on deployment, being brought into our custody. On top of this, due to the outstanding proactive police work and considerable pressure applied by our officers deployed across the county, we also saw a number of wanted individuals actively choose to hand themselves in at several of our help desks."

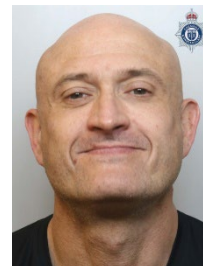
"This operation, the second of five Crossbow deployments for 2026, shows just a small snapshot of our officers' steadfast approach in all areas of neighbourhood policing and is part of the everyday tactics we use to keep people safe and reduce crime. Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our policing colleagues and staff members who played an active role in the operation, the cross-party support of our local Members of Parliament and a special thanks to our long-term community partners the Warrington Wolves for allowing us to hold our briefing at the Halliwell Jones."

"While the proactive side of the operation has now concluded for the day, our officers and staff members will be working into the night to ensure everyone who has passed through our doors will be processed and all necessary post-operation actions are completed to standard."

Man jailed after using pepper spray following altercation in Lymm

A man who pepper sprayed two men following an altercation about a car parking space in Warrington has been jailed.

Curtis Rogerson, of Chaise Meadow, Lymm, appeared at Chester Crown Court on Thursday 4 June where he was sentenced to 40 months in prison. The 45-year-old had pleaded guilty to administering a noxious thing with intent to injure/aggrieve/annoy, possession of a weapon for the discharge of a noxious liquid/gas, and two counts of assault occasioning actual bodily harm. Rogerson's sentence also includes two charges of intimidating a witness committed in Trafford which are unrelated to the Cheshire proceedings.



On 9 October 2025, at around 12.10pm, the two male victims in this case had been in a van and were reversing into a parking space near Eagle Brown in Lymm village. Rogerson then drove into the space first, despite the van already beginning to reverse into it. One of the victims shouted his annoyance. The two men ultimately found another parking space and were still in their vehicle when Rogerson returned to his car. He pulled up next to the van and hit the wing mirror on the driver's side. The van window was open and without warning Rogerson sprayed an unknown substance in the faces of the two victims and drove off. Both men felt burning to their faces and were helped by passers-by. The substance was tested and identified as Capsaicinoids which are typically found in pepper sprays. Following enquiries, Rogerson's vehicle was identified and he was traced and arrested.

Detective Constable Kelsie Sherratt said: *"Rogerson let a small annoyance over a car parking space spiral out of control, purposefully spraying a substance into the faces of the two victims with the intent of causing them harm. The victims were merely sat inside their vehicle, and this must have been terrifying to suddenly be in pain with no knowledge of what they had been sprayed with and if they would be left with any lasting damage. Thankfully, both made a full recovery and Rogerson was held accountable for his actions and is now facing time behind bars."*

Family of man who died following collision pay tribute

The family of a man who died following a collision near Chester have paid tribute to him.

At around 3.50am on Thursday 21 May, police were called to reports of a collision on Hoole Bridge, Chester. Officers attended and found the collision involved a cyclist and a silver Toyota Yaris. Sadly, the cyclist, Lee Stallwood, 37, was pronounced dead at the scene.

Lee's family said: *"Lee was tragically taken on the 21st of May 2026. He was a much-loved son, grandson, brother, uncle, and friend whose kindness, warmth and sense of humour touched the lives of many. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him. Lee will be gone but will never be forgotten. His memory will*



live on in the hearts of his family and friends forever. We as a family need time and space to grieve for Lee. Rest in peace, Lee Stallwood."

Detectives investigating the collision have since charged a man. Nathan Howe, of Thorndale Road, Sunderland, was arrested on Thursday 21 May. The 32-year-old has since been charged with causing death by dangerous driving, driving a vehicle and failing to stop after a road accident, and driving a vehicle involved in a road accident and failing to report it. Howe has been bailed to appear at Chester Crown Court on Friday 19 June.

A 35-year-old man from Sunderland was also arrested in connection with the incident and has since been released on bail.

Man charged following burglary in Runcorn

A man who was arrested following a burglary in Runcorn has now been charged.

Carl Breen was arrested on Sunday 7 June following an incident at a fast-food restaurant on West Lane, Runcorn, where a car and a laptop were stolen. The 42-year-old has since been charged with burglary other than a dwelling, theft of a motor vehicle, driving without a licence and driving without insurance. Breen, of Latham Avenue, Runcorn, has been remanded in custody and will appear at Chester Magistrates Court on Tuesday 9 June.

Latest Cheshire Appeals

Appeal for information following burglary in Northwich

Detectives are appealing for witnesses and video footage following a burglary in Northwich.

Shortly after 10pm on Wednesday 10 June, police were called to reports that two unknown men had forced entry into an address on Solvay Road via a rear door. Once inside the pair stole a large quantity of cash before fleeing the scene on foot. The suspects are both described as white men, aged between 25-35 years old. One of the men was wearing a bright blue tracksuit, possibly a Montirex. Enquiries in relation to the incident are ongoing and officers are keen to hear from anyone with any information which may aid the investigation.

Detective Constable Lara Hill, of Northwich Proactive CID, said: *"Our investigation is currently in the early stages, and we are committed to doing all we can to identify the people responsible. As part of our enquires, we're keen to hear from anyone who was in the Solvay Road, Park Road or Winnington Rec area between 9pm and 10.30pm on Wednesday night and believes they may have witnessed anything suspicious.*

"The same goes for anyone with any CCTV or dashcam footage from the local area which may aid the investigation. I'd urge anyone with any information, no matter how small, to contact the team here in Northwich on 101 quoting IML-2347926."

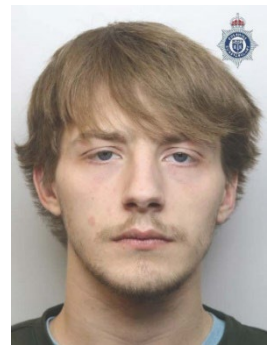
Information can also be reported online at www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us or anonymously via Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Appeal to trace wanted man from Runcorn

Officers are appealing for help from the public in locating a wanted man from Runcorn.

Jason King is wanted in relation to recall to prison. The 24-year-old is described as white, approximately 5' 7" tall, of slim build, and has short blonde hair. King resides in Runcorn and is known to have links to the Halton area.

Anyone with any information should contact Cheshire Police on 101 or by [visiting the website](#) quoting 26000373889.



Police appeal for witnesses following Runcorn canal towpath robberies

Police are appealing for witnesses following two robberies on a Runcorn canal towpath.

At 4.52pm on 9 June a man was walking along the canal towpath near Halton Road when four males wearing balaclavas threatened him and demanded his mobile phone, keys and car keys, which they took from him before pushing him into the canal. They then made off towards the Bridgewater Expressway. Minutes later the group demanded another man hand over his watch and jewellery. He refused, walked onto the main road and called police. The males were described as aged between 15 and 17, wearing dark tracksuit bottoms and balaclavas.

DC Chris Sheffield said: *"I would urge anyone who saw a group of males in the area around this time to contact us. I'd also urge people living or working near the canal to check their CCTV and ring doorbell."*

Anyone with information should contact Cheshire Police on 101 or via [website](#) quoting IML 2347013. Alternatively, information can be given anonymously by contacting Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Appeal for information following Barnton burglary

Police are appealing for witnesses and video footage following a burglary at a residential address in Barnton.

During the early hours of Monday 8 June, a black Land Rover Discovery, believed to be a stolen vehicle, made off from police on the outskirts of Northwich. A search of the area was undertaken, and the car was later found abandoned on Hill Top in Barnton.

Later that day at 8.50am police were contacted by a resident on nearby Hickson Street, who reported a burglary at their address. The caller reported that the offenders had forced entry into their address and stolen the keys to a blue Mazda CX-5, before fleeing the scene in the stolen car. Enquiries in relation to the incidents are ongoing, and detectives believed that they may be linked.

As part of their enquiries, officers are urging residents living between Hill Top and Hickson Street to check their CCTV footage between 1.30am and 4.30am on 8 June, to see if they have any footage which may aid the investigation. The two suspects who made off from the stolen car were both

men, believed to be wearing balaclavas. One was wearing black clothing, and one was wearing grey clothing. Police are also urging residents to ensure their homes are always kept secure.

Police Constable Ed Whalley, of Northwich Proactive CID said: *"I understand the concerns these incidents are likely to cause, and I want to reassure residents that we are committed to doing all we can to identify the people responsible. As part of our ongoing enquiries, I'm keen to hear from anyone with any CCTV footage which may aid our investigation. The same goes for anyone who witnessed anything suspicious in the area around the time of the incident."*

Anyone with any information in relation to the incidents is asked to contact Cheshire police on 101, or at www.cheshire.police.uk/tell-us quoting IML 2345847.

PC Whalley added: *"I would like to take this opportunity to remind anyone living or working in and around Northwich to be vigilant and to make it as difficult as possible for criminals to break into their homes, outbuildings, and businesses. You can do this by following our anti-burglary advice."*

The force's tips for deterring would-be burglars include:

- *Ensure that all windows are closed, and doors are locked at your property, even when you are at home or in the garden*
- *Use security devices, such as steering locks, to keep vehicles secure*
- *Consider use of a faraday bag or faraday box to secure vehicle keys.*
- *If you have CCTV or doorbell cameras, ensure they are working and positioned correctly.*
- *Never leave your car keys, house keys, purse or wallet on display near a door or window*
- *Use the security measures on modern windows, which allow them to let some air in but still be locked*
- *Keep all valuables out of sight of prying eyes*
- *Always avoid keeping large amounts of cash in your home*
- *If you are replacing or fitting new doors and windows, get ones that are certified to British Standard BS7950 (windows) or PAS 24-1 (doors)*
- *Fit mortise locks (Kitemarked BS3621) to all front and back doors, as well as locks to all windows which are easy to reach*
- *Have a burglar alarm fitted, but make sure that it is installed*

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