



This months Community Events and Engagement:

- Town council meeting – Town Team
- Crime prevention/MCV events
- VAWG Walk And Talk
- Speed Watch

Next Months Events

- Sevenoaks Business district monthly meeting
- Council Meeting's
- Crime prevention/MCV events
- Further VAWG events
- Knole Chatty Café Event
- Speed Watch



Greetings and welcome to our September's newsletter! Within the pages below you'll find a snapshot of the good news stories and alerts for March. From noteworthy events to important updates, we're eager to keep you informed about the happenings that shape our community. So feel free to delve into the stories below and share on social media should you wish.



PC HUBBARD



PC COSTIN



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Good News Stories/Updates in Sevenoaks:

PROLIFIC SHOPLIFTER ARRESTED - SEVENOAKS

On *Friday 2nd of August* Police were informed by *SEVENOAKS DISTRICT COUNCIL CCTV - Operator Ricky* that a male had entered multiple stores and shoplifted items. The male was last seen getting on the bus from *SEVENOAKS* in the direction of *TONBRIDGE*. PC COSTIN has swiftly tracked down the bus entering *TONBRIDGE HIGH STREET*. The male was located and arrested.

Learn more below 📍 :

[#186650 PROLIFIC SHOPLIFTER ARRESTED - SEVENOAKS](https://www.facebook.com/mycommunityvoicekent)
(mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk)



QUICK CHANGE SCAM - BUISNESSES AWARENESS - SEVENOAKS

WHAT IS A QUICK CHANGE SCAM:

It is when a suspect or suspects targets an inexperienced or young in service cashier by paying for a small priced item using a high valued note (I.E £50, £20 etc) or by using lots of coins. Before the cashier can give any change over the suspect will engage with the cashier. This is to distract and hand over more notes/coins in attempt to confuse the cashier to give over more money. The suspect will also tell the cashier how much money to give over or say they are short of the money exchanged originally and still owed more.

Learn more below  :

[#187008 QUICK CHANGE SCAM - BUISNESSES AWARENESS - SEVENOAKS \(mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk\)](https://mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk/#187008-QUICK-CHANGE-SCAM-BUISNESSES-AWARENESS-SEVENOAKS)

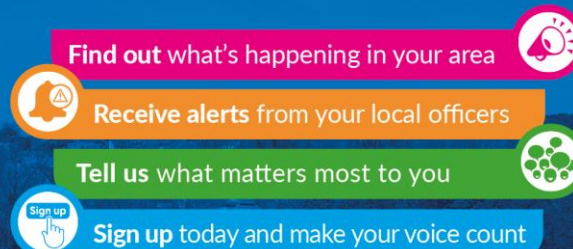


ANTI-SOCIAL-BEHAVIOUR REDUCTION AT THE VINE

Thanks to these combined efforts, we have seen a **93.3% reduction** in calls related to nuisance youths at The Vine. Between January 1st and July 16th, 2023, there were 15 calls from the public regarding ASB. In 2024, during the same period, only one call was received. This dramatic decrease is a testament to the effectiveness of the measures put in place and the cooperation between the police, partner agencies, and the community.

Learn more below  :

[#187318 Anti-Social-Behaviour Reduction at the Vine](https://www.kent.police.uk/yourarea)
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SUMMARY OF PROGRESS BUCKHURT LANE MULTI-STORY CAR PARK/ LEISURE CENTRE





While progress has been made, I am still actively monitoring the situation. Some actions, such as considering the installation of ANPR/barriers at the car park entrances and further enhancing physical security, are still under review. I will continue to keep you informed as these measures are implemented. I appreciate your continued cooperation and encourage you to report any incidents of ASB through the appropriate channels.

Learn more below  :

[#187467 Summary of Progress: Buckhurst Lane Multi-Storey Car Park/Leisure Centre and Environmental Park, Sevenoaks \(mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk\)](https://mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk/#187467)



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20MPH SPEED LIMIT - SEVENOAKS

Sevenoaks Town Council is pleased to announce the upcoming implementation of a 20mph speed limit across select roads in Sevenoaks town. Scheduled to take effect from 1st October 2024, this initiative aims to enhance community safety, promote active travel, and mitigate environmental impact.

Learn more below :

[#187389 20mph Speed Limit - Sevenoaks](https://www.facebook.com/mycommunityvoicekent)
(mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk)



HOLIDAY SCAMS - SEVENOAKS

Research Your Holiday Company - Make sure you research which holiday company you are going to use through online research to ensure they are a credible company.

-Cancellation Policy's - Check the cancellation policy's before booking.

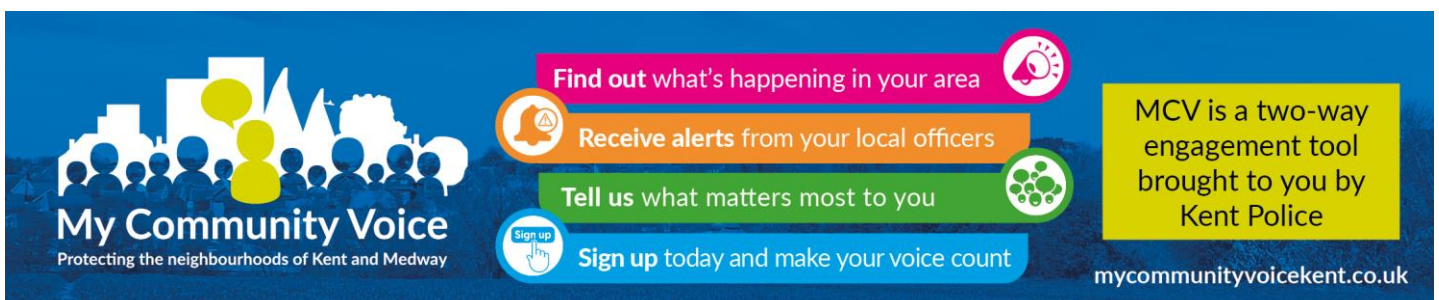
-Keep Records - Ensure you keep records of payments, confirmation bookings and receipts.

Make Sure To Pay Safely - Use a credit card when shopping online, if you have one. Most major credit card providers protect online purchases.

Look For Brand Logo - Look for the ABTA logo (The Travel Association) on the company's website. If you have any doubts, you can verify their membership of ABTA online on their website.

Learn more below  :

[#187932 HOLIDAY SCAMS - SEVENOAKS](#)
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TRACKER LEADS TO RECOVERY OF FOUR VEHICLES NEAR SEVENOAKS

Four stolen vehicles worth a combined value of more than £135,000 were recovered after a tracking device led officers to a workshop near **Sevenoaks**.

At **3.15pm** on **Monday 12 August 2024**, patrols attended the **Tower Industrial Estate, Wrotham**, where the device was activating on a vehicle reported as stolen.

A search of the site led to the recovery of two BMWs and two Mercedes, and two men were arrested.

Charged

A subsequent search led to the seizure of signal transmitters, key fobs, and parts of an exhaust system.

Deividas Grincevicius, 26, of Dunkeld Road, Dagenham, Essex, and **Augustinas Mustavicius**, 28, of no fixed address, have since been charged with four counts of receiving stolen goods.

Both men have been remanded in custody pending a hearing at Maidstone Crown Court on 9 September.



Learn more below :

[#188853 TRACKER LEADS TO RECOVERY OF FOUR VEHICLES NEAR SEVENOAKS](https://mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk/#188853) (mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk)

NUISANCE VEHICLES AT SEVENOAKS TOWN

CARPARK - SEVENOAKS

I want to give you an updated regarding the **SEVENOAKS TOWN CARPARK**. On **14/08/2024** Kent Police received a call for nuisances vehicles in the carpark causing Anti-social behaviour (ASB). Following joint work from **SEVENOAKS DISTRICT COUNCIL COMMUNITY SAFETY** and **CCTV** and **POLICE** multiple vehicles have been sent ASB Warning letters. One driver has been issued a **SECTION 59 WARNING (POLICE REFORM ACT)** which will remain valid for the next 12 months. This means if the same vehicle is caught committing ASB the police can seize it.

Learn more below  :

[#189953 NUISANCE VEHICLES AT SEVENOAKS TOWN CARPARK - SEVENOAKS \(mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk\)](https://mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk/#189953)



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SUCCESSFUL REDUCTION OF ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR IN SEVENOAKS TOWN, ST JOHNS AND THE TRAIN STATIONS

11 youth males were issued Acceptable Behaviour Agreements (ABAs) at the police station with their parents present. An ABA is a voluntary agreement that sets out conditions of behaviour and the consequences of non-compliance. Conditions were imposed on these youths, restricting their movements on the rail network and banning them from certain areas and stores in the town centre.

5 youth males were issued ASB letters as a formal warning regarding their behaviour.

10 crime reports were thoroughly investigated, leading to the identification of 8 individuals involved in the offences. These individuals have been interviewed under caution, and their cases are being processed by the youth justice system in tandem with the ASB sanctions they received.

Learn more below  :

[#187602 Successful Reduction of Anti-Social Behaviour in Sevenoaks town, St Johns and the train stations. \(mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk\)](https://mycommunityvoicekent.co.uk/#187602)






SEVENOAKS BIKE FESTIVAL - 21/09/2024 - 10am-4pm - VINE GARDENS, SEVENOAKS





I want to make you aware of the **SEVENOAKS BIKE FESTIVAL** which will be taken place on **SATURDAY 21ST OF SEPTEMBER 2024** at **10:00am-16:00pm**. Your Local Beat Team will be in attendance to provide Bike Safety Advice and useful information.



Learn more below  :

[#192662 SEVENOAKS BIKE FESTIVAL - 21/09/2024 - 10am-4pm - VINE GARDENS, SEVENOAKS](#)
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