



Neighbourhood Watch

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**Your bank will NEVER ask for your 4-digit card PIN
or your online banking password**

Andover Rural	
03-04/04/19	Andover Down. Forced entry to farm container overnight, nil taken.
05-06/04/19	Ragged Appleshaw. Car damaged overnight.
07/04/19	Houghton. Poachers disturbed while fishing.
"	Kings Somborne. Forced entry to shed, power garden tools stolen.
09-10/04/19	Salisbury Road. Large amount of Stihl & Husqvarna power tools stolen.
	Goodworth Clafford. Barn doors rammed by vehicle.
08-10/04/19	Abbots Ann. Bespoke trailer stolen from driveway.
"	Upper Clafford. Quad bike stolen overnight, later found abandoned, and moto cross bike also stolen overnight from Goodworth Clafford.
10-11/04/19	Longstock. Forced entry to workshop, power tools stolen.
12-13/04/19	Amport. Car window smashed and handbag stolen while car parked near popular walking area.
15/04/19	Over Wallop. Forced entry to van during the evening, tools stolen.
18/04/19	Forton. Forced entry to car, two coats stolen.
20/04/19	Kings Somborne. Benches and bin set alight overnight.

Why you should always report online crime:

For your protection –

Reporting any online crime as soon as you find out you've been a victim (whether that's straight away or after a period of time) will increase the chance of recovering your money, or in the case of identity theft, mitigating the effects.

To protect other people –

We'd guess that you wouldn't like to think that others will suffer a similar experience to yours. Reporting any online crime – however insignificant it may seem – could help the police or other agencies to disrupt and shut down the ways that the perpetrator operates and communicates, reducing the chance of others becoming victims.

To prevent or hinder more sinister crimes –

Financial crime can pay for lavish lifestyles for cybercriminals, but is also frequently used as a way to fund more sinister activities such as terrorism or people trafficking.

To build a bigger picture –

Reporting online crime helps the police and other law enforcement agencies to link your experience to similar reported incidents – building a picture of threats and trends and helping allocate resources to fight them more effectively.

Whom should you report online crime to?

Financial Fraud –

Report it to Action Fraud at **www.actionfraud.police.uk** or by calling **0300 123 2040**. If you report fraud to a police force, you will be asked to make your report direct to Action Fraud.

Identity Fraud –

If identity fraud has involved your online banking, credit/debit cards or cheques, report it to your bank, who will investigate the case and report any criminal activity to law enforcement. Any other kind of identity fraud should be reported to the relevant organisation or website where it was perpetrated, who may also advise you to contact the appropriate law enforcement organisation.

Abuse –

Report any kind of abuse to the social media network or operator of the forum, game or chat service on which it appears. Many such services have a 'report abuse' button. If the abuse contains hate content, incites radicalisation or other illegal activity or threatens physical harm, report it to the police.

For more information go to www.getsafeonline.org/whyreport.

Sadly there have been several more reports of courier frauds in the area this month. Either a person posing as from the bank will contact people claiming there are issues with their bank accounts and then attend the home address and collect bank cards. Or they will call and say new bank cards are due and then attend the home address, get the victim to disclose their PIN number and collect the existing cards. These are then used to withdraw cash.

Rogue traders.

There have been more reports of rogue traders in the area this month, with one resident parting with £1,000 for garden work that was never done.

Never employ cold-calling doorstep traders and look out for vulnerable neighbours or family members. Do call 101 with information about cold callers – this helps build a picture of where potential criminals are operating.

Did you know ...

Hampshire Constabulary uploads images of seized property on their Flickr page – if you have been a victim of a burglary do have a look at the jewellery which has been recovered recently - www.flickr.com/photos/hampshireconstabulary

If you have any information in relation to any criminal or suspicious activity please report it to the Police on **101** or anonymously via **Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or on line at crimestoppers-uk.org**.