



## Meet your local policing team



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### Welcome!

Hello, my name is Louisa Brown and I am the local Inspector in Camborne.

We will be bringing you a quarterly newsletter full of safety tips and crime prevention advice, as well as giving you updates on issues and priorities that are of concern to local communities.

In this summer edition, we have included useful information about how to stay safe while enjoying our beautiful region over the coming months.

Myself and my colleagues work hard to keep you safe 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

If you see us out and about – please come and say hello. We'd love to meet you.

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# Crime prevention advice: keep yourself safe from crime

## Top tips to keep your home secure over summer

As the warmer weather approaches, it finally means we can start to open our windows and doors to let in some fresh air and cool down.



However, be aware that this can also be a green light for potential burglars to pay an unwelcome visit to your home.

So, to help keep your home as safe as possible, make sure to follow these easy tips:

- Lock your front door if you're in the back garden. Opportunist thieves can be in and out of a house in moments
- Remember to secure garages and outbuildings. Don't forget to store away bikes and garden equipment - they can be an attractive option for thieves!
- If you're leaving the house, make sure to close all your windows. Keeping windows closed and blinds or curtains drawn can also help to keep your home cool (and secure).

For more information about keeping your home secure, visit: [www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/crime-prevention/](https://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/crime-prevention/)

## Making your vehicle unattractive to thieves

Having your car broken into and losing your personal belongings to thieves can be very distressing. Here are a few simple steps you can take to keep your vehicle, and what's in it, safe.



- Always lock your vehicle and make sure your windows are closed - it's simple, but effective
- Take your belongings with you or hide them - coins for the car park, sunglasses, packs of medication or other items that can earn quick cash are irresistible to the opportunist thief
- Park in well-lit or busier areas - it can take less than 30 seconds to break into a vehicle. Parking in well-lit areas and busy streets increases the chances of a thief being seen, so they'll probably steer clear
- Secure anything on the outside of your vehicle - anything left on roof-racks or holiday top boxes can be easily stolen. Make them more secure by using cable locks, padlocks or self locking tools chests. If you can avoid it don't leave anything in them at all.

Further guidance available here: <https://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/keeping-vehicles-safe/>

## Stay alert for rogue traders

As we move into summer, we'd like to remind you to stay vigilant for rogue traders offering home and garden services, such as plumbing, roofing, gardening etc.

Rogue traders are often skilled at manipulating circumstances. They will likely offer sub-standard services, employing deceptive tactics, and overcharging for their services. Of course, there are reliable traders who do a wonderful job, but please remember to use those who are recommended by people you know. Remember:

- Don't agree to work offered by unsolicited doorstep callers
- Don't rely on posts or recommendations from social media sites without doing your own research
- Don't be swayed by glossy flyers or impressive websites
- Don't pay cash, agree to be taken to the bank, or transfer money before any work is started
- Don't be rushed into making a decision
- Do get three written quotes from reputable businesses
- Do research the companies you're looking to use and ask for references
- Do take time to decide who to use and make sure you have confidence in their skills and abilities
- Do ask to see professional qualifications and public liability insurance
- Do make sure you have full contact details (address) for a tradesperson, not just a mobile number
- Do check if you're entitled to your 14-day cooling-off period



## What's happening in your area:

### Local Priorities

#### Persistent Anti-Social Behaviour

The local neighbourhood team together with our new Tri-Service Support Officer continue their patrols around the Town Centres and ASB hotspots. We will shortly be joined by a new dedicated ASB worker from Cornwall Councils ASB team who you will increasingly see out and about.

Together with the help of the local businesses and members of the Public providing us with evidence, we shall continue to pursue offenders through the ASB and community protection notice processes to address this behaviour.

Working together with the Council ASB team, we have also been successful in gaining an extension to the House Closure Order for an address in Adelaide Street, Camborne issued by Truro Magistrates Court which will run until 1 August 2024.

#### Violence against Women and Girls

The neighbourhood team, professional development unit, special constables and police licensing officer conducted a pro-active passive dog operation at pubs in both Camborne and Redruth. Numerous persons were searched as a result and drugs seized. This is part of our ongoing efforts to make the night time economy a safe place for the community to enjoy. We also had specialist officers from our prevent and detect teams who are trained to detect those carrying out predatory behaviour.

## What's happening in your area:

### Dangerous Drugs Networks

There have been reports of unlicensed and potentially harmful VAPES being sold to school pupils. We have been working together with schools to warn pupils and parents of the potential dangers and have removed a number of VAPES from circulation.

If you come across any person who has had an adverse effect following use of a VAPE, please call 999 and request the Ambulance service and describe the circumstances to the call handler.

There is also joint work ongoing with Trading Standards to tackle sales and distribution of illegal VAPES with unannounced visits scheduled for various local businesses over the summer period.

Drugs warrants have been executed at various addresses resulting in the arrest of multiple suspects and seizure of drugs. The investigations are ongoing with plans for new warrants to be sought and executed to continue the disruption to criminal drug networks.



### Meet our new Anti-Social Behaviour Officer!

Kay Smith is the new Anti-Social Behaviour Officer covering Camborne, Pool and Redruth. Kay will be out in the community and working closely with the neighbourhood team to tackle issues relating to antisocial behaviour such as shoplifting and street drinking.

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## What's happening in your area:

### Prolific Shoplifters

During April and May 2024, the local Neighbourhood Team and Neighbourhood Support Team arrested five prolific offenders with multiple offences. All offenders have appeared at Magistrates Court and between them sentenced to 158 weeks imprisonment.

Please continue to send us information regarding offenders and we will continue to seek to prosecute and work with our partners to prevent future offending.

### Volunteers Week - Thank You

Recently we were able to celebrate the fantastic work volunteers do for us within the police service through volunteers' week.

We get some amazing support in Camborne, Pool, Illogan and Redruth and recently during one late shift two special constables provided an additional crew to respond to 999 calls and carry out proactive patrols throughout the area. The Special Constabulary are made up of officers who volunteer a minimum of 16 hours of their free time per month to support police officers and staff at their local police station to keep their community safe.

As well as responding to three 999 calls, the pair of volunteer officers pro-actively identified multiple vehicle offences. One vehicle was seized because the driver only held a provisional license and was unsupervised without L plates and they were driving with no insurance. Another vehicle was being driven with defective break lights and two drivers were arrested on suspicion of drug driving.

## What's happening in your area:

The Special Constables still found time to carry out enquiries for a person wanted for failing to appear at court!

This demonstrates their commitment and drive, and the passion that all our volunteers show daily. We want to say a big thank you to them and all our police volunteers who give up their time and expertise to help their local areas.

### Vehicle Crime

Recently we saw a spate of vehicle offences in Camborne and as a result two offenders were arrested and charged with offences and sent to Court. Investigations are ongoing to identify further offenders and bring them to justice.

Please see the separate message regarding keeping your property and vehicle unattractive to thieves and please continue to report.

## Meet your local team

We will be at these events in the coming months:

Murdoch Day 15/06/2024

Helifest 06/07/2024

Camborne Farmers Market – Last Friday of each month



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## Getting in touch







We're hugely busy over the summer, keeping both local communities and our visitors safe.

We're always here if you need us – but if it's not an emergency (i.e., a crime isn't happening right now and no-one is in immediate danger) then reporting online will save you time and means we have all the information we need to respond appropriately.

Scan the QR code below to take you to our website home page.

 <b>Non Emergency</b> dc.police.uk <small>If a crime has already happened or to give information about the crime</small>		<b>WebChat</b> <small>To get updates visit dc.police.uk and click on the Webchat widget</small>
 <b>999 Emergency</b> <small>When life is threatened, people are injured, offenders are nearby or immediate action is required</small>		

 **Contact details for Deaf or hard of hearing / speech impaired**

 <b>999 BSL</b> <small>(video relay for BSL users)</small>	<b>Emergency</b>  <b>Text 999</b> <small>(You must register for this service at www.emergencysms.org.uk)</small>	 <b>18000 Minicom/textphone</b>
 <b>Text 67101</b>	<b>Non-Emergency</b>  <b>SignLive</b> <small>(video relay for BSL Users) for Non-Emergency</small>	 <b>18001 101</b>

## Not sure if it's a police matter?

There are situations which look like they should be police matters, but which are actually dealt with by other agencies, such as noisy neighbours, dog fouling, fly tipping and more.

To avoid delays, always visit our website first to see if this is an issue which is more appropriately dealt with by another agency.



## New non-urgent incident police app launched: Police.UK

Members of the public in Devon & Cornwall can now report crimes and incidents and find out how to access support for victims just by using a smartphone app, Police.UK.

The benefits of downloading the app:

- It offers a quick and easy way of reporting non-urgent incidents
- You can find crime prevention advice for a wide range of issues, such as burglary or vehicle safety tips
- Shares information about local neighbourhood policing teams, listing who is on the team, local crime priorities and any upcoming meetings in the community.



Don't miss out, download the free Police.UK app now.

App is available via the iOS App store and Google Play.

## Devon & Cornwall Alert: keep updated on police activities

Interested in what the police are doing in your local area? Sign up to Devon & Cornwall Alert! You can find out the latest from the police, including good news stories, appeals and updates on crime.

It also allows you to respond to police updates, so if you have any information that may be relevant, you can get in touch through Devon & Cornwall Alert.



## Keep up to date with what's happening in your area:

**Social media:** [Camborne](#), [Pool](#) and [Redruth](#)

**Website:** [www.dc.police.uk](http://www.dc.police.uk) and enter your postcode

**D&C Alert:** Sign up at [alerts.dc.police.uk](http://alerts.dc.police.uk) to hear instantly about the crimes happening in your area.

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