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**Dear All**

**Non-dwelling burglary – Clanfield**

Overnight on the 7th February 2017, two unoccupied new-build properties on the Windmill Estate, Clanfield were broken into and two new boilers were stolen. If you have any information relating to this please telephone the police on 101 and quote reference 44170049654  
Visit the Hampshire Constabulary website for crime prevention advice <http://www.hampshire.police.uk/internet>  
Register any item of property that has a serial number with Immobilise <https://www.immobilise.com/>

**Machinery theft - Headley**

Please be aware of the following thefts that occurred between 1930 on Thursday 16th February and 08:30 on Friday 17th February 2017. The incidents took place in the Frensham Lane and Churt Road areas bordering Surrey. A yellow dumper truck and a green quad bike were stolen.  
If you saw anything suspicious or have any information, please call Hampshire Constabulary on 101. Your call is valuable and the information that you supply may help us reduce crime in your area.  
Please ensure that all of your valuable items are left secure. If you'd like any further crime prevention advice, please follow this link to the Hampshire Constabulary website. <http://www.hampshire.police.uk/internet/advice-and-information/crime-prevention/>

**Theft from vehicle – Lovedean**

Overnight between 16:00hrs 19/02/2017 and 07:25hrs 20/02/2017, unknown person/s have gained access to a vehicle by smashing its side window in New Road, Lovedean. Various tools were taken. Please make sure your vehicles are locked at all times and personal belongings are removed.

Look out for any suspicious activity and report it to police immediately. Please also look out for your vulnerable/elderly neighbours.  
If you wish to report any suspicious activity or speak to an officer regarding this incident please call 101 using reference 44170065513. Thank you.

### **Theft from vehicle – Clanfield**

Overnight on 14th February 2017 a vehicle was broken into and two chainsaws were then stolen.

This vehicle was left secure and parked in the car park next to the Co-op in Clanfield.

We would value any information that you may have concerning this incident.

Please report this on 101 and quote reference 44170058648

Please do not leave valuable items in unattended vehicles and visit the Hampshire Constabulary Website for crime prevention advice <http://www.hampshire.police.uk/internet>

### **Garage break-in – Horndean**

Between 1200 and 1400hrs on 18/02/17, a garage on Highcroft Lane was entered by person(s) unknown. Various items from within were taken.

If you saw anything suspicious or have any information in relation to this theft, please ring 101 and quote 44170063761, or call Crime Stoppers on 0800 555 111. Your call will be treated in confidence.

### **Theft – Headley Fields**

Theft of building material from Headley Fields, Headley took place at some point between 4pm on Saturday 4th February and 8am on Monday 6th February 2017.

If you saw anything suspicious or have any information, please call Hampshire Constabulary on 101. Your call is valuable and the information that you supply may help us to reduce crime in your area.

### **Online dating Fraud**

## **Protecting people from online dating and romance fraud**

A victim of online dating fraud is sharing her experiences to help others avoid being affected by this type of crime.

The woman, who wishes to remain anonymous, lost £20,000 and laundered more than £200,000 after three years of contact with a man whom she met and communicated with solely online.

She is speaking out with the purpose of protecting people in similar situations where they may become vulnerable to convincing detailed deceptions.

## **Woman's message of support to people dating online**

Hampshire Constabulary has recorded an interview with the woman to give a candid and emotive account of the fraud and its implications for her life.

The interview forms part of a Hampshire Constabulary film reconstructing the events of an elaborate manipulation based on a false promise of marriage and a new life together.

Speaking during the film, the woman who is known as Jenny to protect her identity, said: "What I really want to get across to anybody or everybody is the minute anyone asks you to send them money, if you've never met them or received money from them, just don't do it - don't do it, contact the police or talk to somebody else about it.

"I never thought that I was naïve; I didn't think anything like this could ever happen to me – it could happen to anybody."

## **Strengthening the support and service to fraud victims**

Hampshire Constabulary crime prevention advisor Sarah Cohen said:

"We're proud of 'Jenny' for her courage and decision in wanting to protect others by talking about these distressing events and their effects on life.

"The consequences of romance and online dating fraud can be emotionally destructive because offenders prey upon a victim's deepest desires and longing for love.

"Police are committed to giving support to victims of fraud, and strengthening awareness of the sophisticated and callous tactics used by criminals.

"Hampshire Constabulary has introduced Operation Signature over the past year to help protect vulnerable victims of fraud.

"I'm encouraging as many people as possible to watch and listen to this film. The real experiences of victims such as 'Jenny' have a powerful positive impact on people's attitudes towards being safer online when looking for love."

## **Key advice to avoid romance fraud**

- Never send money to someone you've met online;

- Never transfer money on someone else's behalf;
- Money laundering is a crime;
- Be careful with what information or images you share online.

For more advice, visit the national Action Fraud website:  
<http://www.actionfraud.police.uk/fraud-az-romance-scams>

## **Reporting fraud**

Victims or anyone who knows a victim of romance fraud can phone Hampshire Constabulary on 101, quoting Operation Signature.

Victims with hearing loss can phone via Mini-com on 18001 101 or send a text message to 07781 480999: <http://www.hampshire.police.uk/internet/contact-us/deaf-access/>

In an emergency, always dial 999.

Reports can also be made to Action Fraud by phoning 0300 123 2040 or visiting [www.actionfraud.police.uk](http://www.actionfraud.police.uk)

The Youtube link to the video is below, together with links to the media release information.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G3uDrNG\\_SAc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G3uDrNG_SAc)

<http://www.hampshire.police.uk/internet/news-and-appeals/campaigns/dating-fraud>

## **Vehicle Obstruction – Butser Sector**

It has been brought to our attention that vehicle obstruction in residential areas across the Butser Sector is a real concern to the local community.

Parking blocking a private driveway or on the pavement is the offence of 'unnecessary obstruction' and worst case scenario is that a vehicle could be towed away at the expense of the owner.

Please remember when parking you must leave room for vehicles to pass. Local residents are concerned that emergency vehicles such as fire engines and ambulances would struggle to get past on a number of roads across the Butser sector during the busy periods, and that pedestrians have to walk on the road due to blocked pavements.

It can be difficult to find spaces because of the number of vehicles that are on the roads. Please just take a few seconds to look where you have parked, making sure you are not committing any offences. This is also for the safety of your children. Thank you. [Darryl Hook \(Police, PCSO, East Hampshire District\)](#)

## **Warning from Trading Standards**

**Hampshire County Council's Trading Standards Service would like to**

**remind residents to be wary of cold callers at the door offering to tarmac driveways. Reports have been received from the Totton area, but the warning applies to all of Hampshire.**

**A common trick used by cold callers is to claim they are working for the council and have some tarmac left over. Another is to use false recommendations from neighbours. These statements are untrue, and just a ploys to gain the resident's confidence.**

Although consumers have statutory rights when buying goods and services goods at the door, those rights can only be exercised if the seller is a trader and, for practical purposes, if they give full and correct contact information.

When work has been agreed in the residents own home, the trader must give a paperwork detailing a 14 day cancellation period. This paperwork must also request your authorisation to start within the 14 day cancellation period. Please note that if you agree for work to start within the 14 days but decided to cancel within the cancellation period a consumer must pay a reasonable sum for the work completed.

**Trading Standards recommend residents do not buy goods or services at the door.** For further information on buying at the door, the following link will take you to Hampshire Trading Standards website [Your rights when buying at the door.](#)

Always get 3 quotes from different traders before agreeing to work in the home. Members of Hampshire County Council Trading Standards Buy With Confidence scheme are fully audited to ensure their trading practices are legal, honest and fair. All members have been checked for trustworthiness and compliance with consumer protection laws. Details can be obtained by telephoning 01962 833620, emailing [buy.with.confidence@hants.gov.uk](mailto:buy.with.confidence@hants.gov.uk) or via the website [www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk](http://www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk)

Anyone who has information about traders who are cold calling, or who require advice about doorstep crime can contact Hampshire County Council's Quick Response Team on

**01962 833666 (Monday – Friday 0900hrs to 1700hrs)**

where specially trained officers are on hand to provide advice.

If assistance is required outside of these hours please contact Hampshire Police on their non-urgent number 101 or dial 999 if you feel threatened or intimidated.

**Hampshire County Council Trading Standards Service**

*Kind regards,*

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