

YOUR LOCAL UPDATE TENDRING DISTRICT

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Clacton Police Station Open Day

Beatrice Road, Clacton on Sea

Saturday 30 May 2026

11am to 2pm



Monthly Message from the Tendring District Commander, Stuart Austin

Thank you for reading this month's Your Local Update. I would like to start by drawing your attention to our upcoming Tendring Police open day on 30 May. This is always one of the highlights of the year and a great chance to pop along, meet the team and our partners, and find out more about the fantastic work taking place across the district every day. Tendring has a strong and supportive community, and it is always great to see that support in action.

In this edition you will hear more about our work tackling vehicle crime and poor driving, as well as what we are doing to make Clacton town centre a more welcoming place, including action around e scooters. You will also see how a recent vehicle checkpoint led directly to the arrest of a burglar. From time-to-time people ask whether we should be focusing on motorists, and this is a good example of why these operations matter. Many criminals rely on vehicles to commit offences, and proactive policing in this area regularly leads to arrests and disruption, so I make no apology for continuing this work.

I am also really pleased to share that last month we solved 153 crimes. This is one of our best months this year in terms of offences detected and it underlines my commitment, and that of the teams here in Tendring, to pursuing offenders and bringing them to justice. Crime continues to fall locally, and our focus remains simple, keeping people safe and solving as much crime as possible.

I also want to take a moment to recognise PC Nikki Heath, our Community Safety Engagement Officer. Many of you will know Nikki well, as she has been at the heart of community engagement in Tendring for many years. Nikki also puts this update together and this edition marks her 70th. She will shortly be moving into a new role coordinating engagement across all of North Essex. While this update will continue, it will no longer be authored by Nikki. I would like to publicly thank her for the huge amount of work she has put into keeping our communities informed over the years and wish her every success in her new role. I am sure she will not be a stranger in Tendring.

As we move further into the warmer months, I hope you continue to enjoy the good weather. Please stay safe, and I very much hope to see many of you at our open day in May.

Chief Inspector Stuart Austin
District Commander Tendring



Inspiring Young People at the Lift Clacton Careers Event

On Wednesday 25 March, officers from the Clacton Neighbourhood Policing Team were delighted to attend the Careers Fair at Lift Clacton, Pathfields Road.

They were joined by a fantastic range of organisations, all coming together to inspire and support young people as they explore future career opportunities.

A great day for both students and exhibitors!

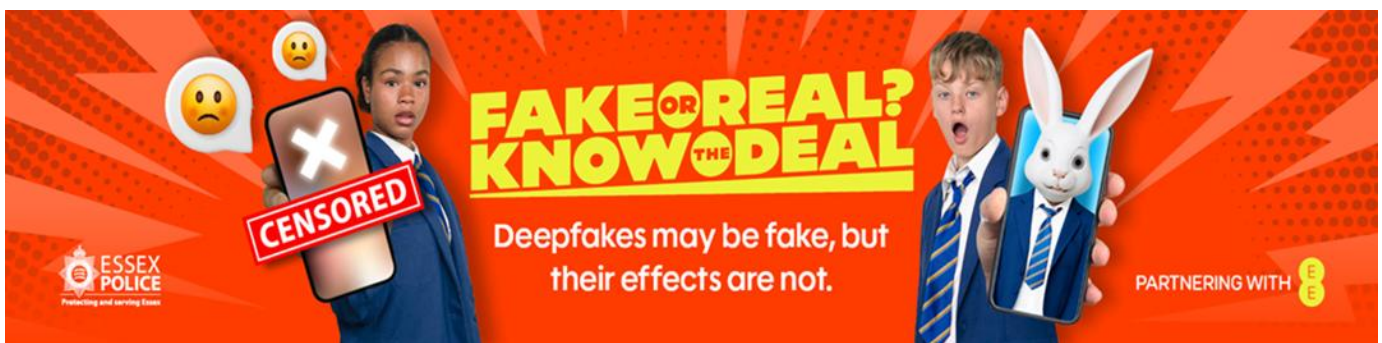


Community Speed Checks Highlight Ongoing Safety Efforts

On Sunday 22 and Monday 23 March, our Police Community Support Officer carried out speed checks in Alresford, where 17 vehicles were found exceeding the 30mph limit, the highest recorded speed being 42mph.

The following day in Great Bentley, a further 20 vehicles were captured exceeding the 30mph limit, with a top speed of 51mph.

Thank you to the many drivers who continue to respect the speed limits and help keep our communities safe. Your cooperation makes a real difference.



<https://eephonesmart.co.uk/online-safety-tips/understanding-deepfake-dangers/>

PCSO Stevie Gears Up for the London Marathon

Police Community Support Officer Stevie completed the Colchester Half Marathon on Sunday 8 March as part of her preparation for the London Marathon on 26 April. She's been putting in an incredible amount of hard work — often training early in the mornings before her shifts and squeezing in extra miles on her days off.

Her dedication and determination has not gone unnoticed. As the big day gets closer, we want to wish her the very best of luck — we're all cheering her on!



Freestyle Performance Arts Theatre School Opens in Harwich

On Sunday 29 March, PCSO Sue from the Harwich Neighbourhood Policing Team was delighted to attend the official opening of Freestyle Performance Arts Theatre School in Harwich.

She joined Cllr Bill Davidson, Chairman of Tendring District Council, to celebrate this exciting new addition to the community and to show support for a project that will offer new creative opportunities for local young people.



Clacton Traffic Operation Leads to Multiple Offences Detected and a Burglary Arrest

On the morning of 27 March 2026, the Clacton Town Centre Policing Team carried out a planned traffic operation on Carnarvon Road. This activity was arranged in response to concerns raised by residents about vehicle related issues, including speeding and unsafe driving.

Throughout the operation, officers stopped vehicles to conduct necessary checks, offer advice, and deal with any identified offences.

The results were as follows:

- 94 vehicles stopped
- 2 drivers given words of advice
- 2 TORs (Traffic Offence Report) issued for mobile phone use while driving
- 1 TOR issued for driving without a seatbelt
- 1 vehicle seized for no insurance (the driver was also reported for driving otherwise than in accordance with a licence)
- 1 male arrested for a dwelling burglary, after being identified as wanted

While road safety remains a priority for the team, operations like this also help officers identify individuals involved in wider criminality. This particular operation highlights the broader value of proactive policing, addressing community concerns while also removing a wanted burglary suspect from the streets.

The team will continue to respond to community feedback and carry out similar activity to keep Tendring safe.



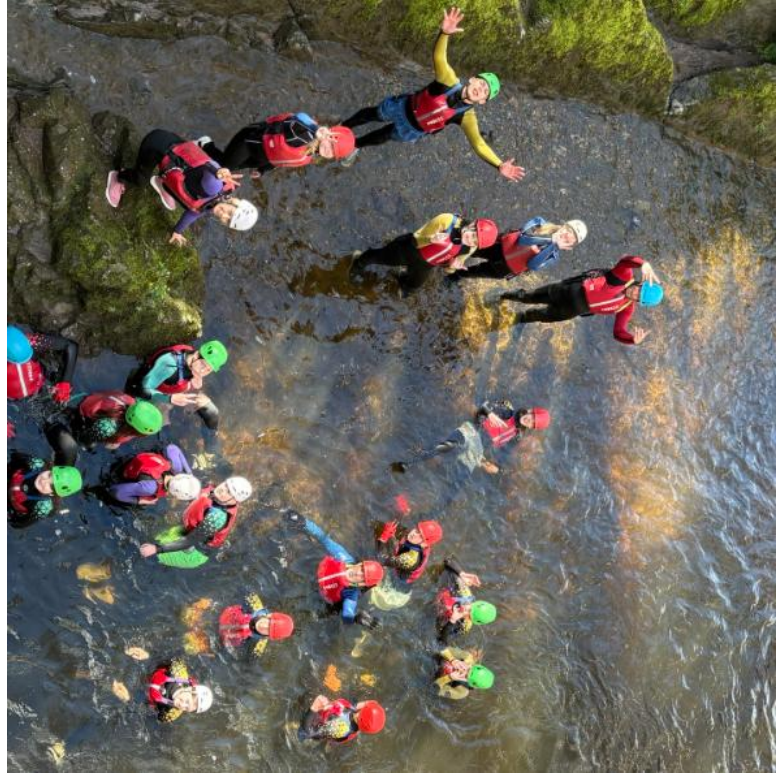
Working Together to Support Young People in Tendring

Police Community Support Officer Michele supported a residential trip to Maes Y Lade in Wales, accompanying 21 young people from Walton Youth Club, where she volunteers.

Supported through Essex Boys and Girls Club and funded by the Jack Petchey Foundation, the week included activities such as canoeing, gorge walking, rock climbing, caving and team challenges. These experiences helped young people work together, build confidence, overcome fears and step outside their comfort zones, while also encouraging communication and new friendships.

Michele regularly supports young people locally and recognises the positive impact such opportunities can have. Time spent away from mobile phones, trying new activities and working as a team helps young people build confidence, resilience and lasting memories, highlighting the value of youth engagement within the community.

The trip demonstrates the importance of partnership working and positive engagement with young people.



Wanted Driver Arrested Following Proactive Patrols in Walton

During the evening of Monday 13 April, eagle eyed Police Community Support Officers spotted a wanted male travelling in a vehicle heading towards Walton.

After alerting the force control room, the vehicle was stopped and the driver was arrested. He was also found to be driving while disqualified and without valid insurance.

The driver was taken into police custody and the vehicle was seized.



Vehicle Seized During Routine Rural Patrol

While on routine patrol in Little Oakley, a Rural Engagement Officer stopped a vehicle being driven by someone who was no longer entitled to drive in the UK. The driver had been resident in the UK for over 12 months and was still using an international driving licence, which meant their insurance was no longer valid. As a result, the vehicle was seized under Section 165 of the Road Traffic Act.

This serves as a reminder that international licence holders can usually only drive in the UK for up to 12 months after becoming resident. After this period, a valid UK driving licence must be obtained. Please ensure your licence and insurance are valid before driving.



CLACTON POLICE STATION OPEN DAY 2026

Saturday 30 May • 11am–2pm - Outside Clacton Police Station

Tendrings Police will be hosting its 4th Emergency Services Day, offering a range of police-themed activities for the younger members of our community to enjoy.

There will also be demonstrations from several of our specialist policing teams, giving visitors an insight into their work and the equipment they use to protect people in Essex and catch criminals.

Of course, we'll have Essex Police cars and motorcycles available for people to take a closer look at, along with police uniform for anyone who wants to try it on. We're also delighted to be joined by our emergency service colleagues and several charitable organisations we regularly work with, all showcasing the fantastic work they do across our community.

Come along, meet your local officers, and enjoy an exciting look at the work that keeps our community safe.

Everyone welcome — we can't wait to see you there!



The poster features a blue and yellow striped border at the top and bottom. The main text reads: **Clacton Police Station Open Day**, **Beatrice Road, Clacton on Sea**, and **Saturday 30 May 2026 - 11am to 2pm**. To the right is the Essex Police logo with the tagline "Protecting and serving Essex". Below the text is a collage of five photographs: a police car and motorcycle, officers with a "POLICE NEW" banner, officers in riot gear, a crowd at an event, and officers at a table.

E-Scooter Seizure – Clacton Town Centre

On Tuesday 16 April, officers responded to reports of an e-scooter being used in a nuisance manner within Clacton town centre.

Following reports from members of the public, officers carried out enquiries, located the rider, and the e-scooter was seized.

We will continue to take action where e-scooters are used illegally or cause risk or disruption to others, and we encourage the public to continue reporting any concerns.

Guidance on the legal use of e-scooters - <https://www.gov.uk/electric-scooter-rules>



If you have any information regarding antisocial behaviour in the Tendring community, please report it so we can take appropriate action. You can submit a report online at <https://www.essex.police.uk> or use the 'Live Chat' feature to speak with an operator between 7am and 11pm. You can also call 101.

Alternatively, you can contact the independent charity Crimestoppers anonymously by calling 0800 555 111 or visiting <https://crimestoppers-uk.org/>

CrimeStoppers.

0800 555 111

100% anonymous. Always.

PCSOs Join the Fun at Brightlingsea Rowing Club Open Event

On Sunday 19 April, Police Community Support Officers were out on patrol in Brightlingsea and came across an open event being held by Brightlingsea Coastal Rowing Club. With warm sunshine and calm conditions, it was an ideal morning for rowing.

The day began with an early training row, followed by a well-attended “come and try” session which encouraged many residents to get involved and experience rowing for themselves. PCSO Colin couldn't resist joining in and taking to the water to have a go alongside club members.

A welcoming and successful event! - Anyone interested in learning more about rowing can email BCRC.web@gmail.com for further information.



Speed Monitoring Update Following Resident Concerns

Following concerns raised by residents, speed monitoring has been carried out by Operations at the locations most frequently reported. All monitored roads are subject to a 30-mph speed limit. The results were as follows:

- **Wivenhoe Road, Alresford**
Seven vehicles were recorded exceeding the speed limit, with the highest speed of 40 mph.
- **Plough Road, Great Bentley**
Twenty-four vehicles were recorded exceeding the speed limit, with a highest speed of 45 mph.
- **Colchester Road, Elmstead**
Thirty-four vehicles were recorded exceeding the speed limit, with the highest speed of 44 mph.



Speed monitoring will continue in response to ongoing concerns, and these results will help inform future enforcement and road safety activity. Residents are encouraged to continue reporting any speeding or road safety issues, as community feedback plays an important role in identifying priority areas.

Could You Support Community Speed Watch? Volunteers Needed!

Community Speed Watch is looking for local volunteers who want to make a positive difference in their area. If you're concerned about speeding on your roads and would like to play an active role in improving safety, this could be an excellent opportunity to get involved.

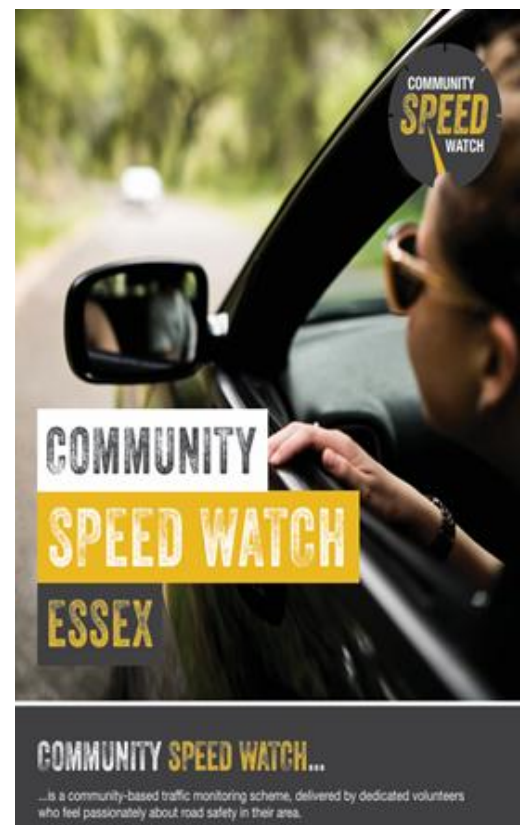
Volunteers help monitor vehicle speeds in their community, working alongside others who share the same goal of keeping local roads safer. It's also a great way to meet new people and take on a role that genuinely benefits the wider community.

If you, or someone you know, would like to join a group—or are interested in helping to set one up—please get in touch by emailing:

community.speedwatch@essex-fire.gov.uk

(Please include your location when contacting the team.)

Help make your roads safer by getting involved today.



Essex Police Marine Unit

Marine Unit Patrol Safeguarding Essex's Coastline

On Tuesday 14 April, officers from the Essex Police Marine Unit were out on patrol aboard the launch Toby Speller, carrying out routine maritime safety and welfare checks along the Tendring coastline.

The first task of the day involved boarding a cargo vessel anchored near the Gunfleet Windfarm, where officers completed the relevant checks and spoke with the vessel's Captain and crew. Once these checks were completed, the patrol continued south through the busy shipping lanes towards Southend, passing the historic Second World War forts at Shivering Sands, before returning to base at Bradwell Marina.

The Essex Police Marine Unit regularly boards commercial vessels operating in Essex waters. These visits are conducted not only to check on the welfare of crews, but also to identify any signs of hidden harms, such as modern-day slavery, human trafficking and exploitation, which can sometimes go unseen within the maritime environment.

Maritime patrols such as this play a vital role in keeping Essex's coastline safe and protecting those who work at sea.



For more information about the Essex Police Marine Unit visit: [Marine Unit | Essex Police](#)

Tendring Police Independent Advisory Group (IAG)

A message from the Tendring's IAG Chair..... I hope you are all well, my name is (Onche) Godwin Daudu, I am a programme Lead for African Families in the UK (AFiUK) CIC. I have been involved with the Independent Advisory Group IAG for over 4 years now and I am extremely proud to be the chair of the Tendring branch.



As we step into this season of bright skies and gentle warmth, a renewed sense of energy is across Tendring. It's the kind of weather that reminds us how connected we are to our environment, to one another, and to the shared responsibility we hold for our community's wellbeing.

This month, I want to focus on two important areas.

First, the work of the Independent Advisory Group (IAG). Our purpose is simple but vital: to ensure that every voice in Tendring is heard by our police, so that community policing reflects the realities, concerns, and hopes of the people it serves. One voice we are still missing is that of our young people. Your insight, your experiences, and your leadership matter deeply. We warmly invite you to join us at our next meeting in mid-May. You will be welcomed not as observers, but as equal contributors shaping the future of policing in our district.

Second, I want to bring our collective attention to the importance of healthy relationships, especially in the context of Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG). Whether at home, in schools, in workplaces, or in our social spaces, we all play a role in modelling respect and challenging harmful behaviours. When we witness violence or signs of it, we must not stand by silently. This is not a call to confront danger, but a call to act responsibly by reporting concerns to the police or to trusted agencies who can intervene safely and effectively.

Education, awareness, and courage are our strongest tools. Tendring is a place where we look out for one another, and there is no room for violence in a community that values dignity and safety for all. Let us continue to stand firmly with our District Commander and his team as they work tirelessly to protect and support our residents.

Stay well, and take care.

Godwin Daudu

"A community that tolerates violence against women and girls teaches silence; a community that refuses it teaches courage."

For Information about the IAG and to apply, visit: [Independent advisory groups | Essex Police](#)



Tendring's Fraud Prevention Coordinator

Tammy is our Fraud Prevention Coordinator for the Tendring District and regularly visits community and support groups in the Tendring area, talking about fraud and scam prevention. If you know a group that you feel would benefit from a visit, please email Tammy at: 42079913@essex.police.uk

Tammy's top scam alert this Month!

Fake Pet Listings Scamming UK Buyers

Thinking of buying a pet online? Stop and double-check before you pay. Santander UK has warned that nearly £160,000 was stolen between January and March from customers who were tricked by fake pet adverts on social media and online marketplaces.

This is a sharp rise from £29,735 lost in the last quarter of 2025. How these scams work: Criminals post convincing adverts for pets that do not exist. Once someone shows interest, they ask for money upfront, often claiming it is for delivery costs, Vet bills or vaccinations or a deposit to secure the animal. After payment is sent, the seller disappears leaving victims without their money and without a pet.

Scammers advertise a wide range of animals, including, Popular dog breeds like miniature dachshunds and cockapoos, Cats, Birds such as parrots, Reptiles, fish and even horses.

How to protect yourself from pet scams:

- Be cautious with social media adverts. Many fake listings appear on Facebook, Instagram and online marketplaces
- Check the seller carefully. Look for genuine contact details, reviews and a history of sales.
- Do a reverse image search. Scammers often reuse photos stolen from other websites.
- Never pay large deposits or unexpected fees. Be especially wary of requests to cover vet bills or transport costs upfront
- Always see the pet in person

April Event:

Thursday 30 April 10am to 12.30pm - Walton Community Hub, High Street, Walton "Spring into Action" Partnership Event.

Why do criminals like gift cards?

Because once they have the card number and PIN, the money is gone instantly. There's no protection, no refund, and it becomes extremely difficult to trace.

- 👍 Only buy gift cards for people you genuinely know
- 👍 Never share gift card numbers or PINs
- 👍 If something feels off stop and doublecheck



Community Lets Talk Events

The Tending Community Let's Talk meets during March/ April 2026 Please come along if you have a questions about crime in the area or wish to make us aware of issues affecting the community.

All Welcome, no appointment needed! Please also see the dates & locations advertised on the Essex Police website under 'Your Area'

[Your area | Essex Police](#)



Friday 24 April 10am to 11am

Morrisons Supermarket, Waterglade Retail Park, Old Road, Clacton on Sea, CO15 1HX.

Friday 24 April 10am to 12pm

Walton food bank, Standley Road, Walton on Naze, CO14 8PT.

Saturday 25 April 10am to 11am

Manningtree Market, Marketplace, Manningtree, CO11 1DJ.

Monday 27 April 2pm to 4pm

Coffee Morning, McGrigor Hall, 85 Fourth Avenue, Frinton on Sea CO13 9EB.

Tuesday 28 April 10am to 11am

Kingscliff Shelter, opposite the Kingscliff Hotel, Kings Parade, Holland on Sea, CO15 5JB.

Wednesday 29 April 10am to 11am

Brightlingsea Community Centre coffee morning, Lower Park Road, CO7 OLG.

Thursday 30 April 10am to 11am

The Brooklands Community Shop, 12 Brooklands Gardens, Jaywick, CO15 2JP.

Thursday 30 April 10am to 11am

Lidl Supermarket, A133, Clacton on Sea, CO16 9FY.

Thursday 30 April 10am to 11am

Walton Community forum, High Street, Walton on Naze, CO14 8AG.

Friday 8 May 10am to 11am

Morrisons Supermarket, Centenary way, Little Clacton, CO16 9SB.

Friday 8 May 10am to 11am

The Council Offices, Victoria Place, Brightlingsea, CO7 0BP.

Saturday 9 May 10am to 11am

Kingscliff Shelter, opposite the Kingscliff Hotel, Kings Parade, Holland on Sea, CO15 5JB.

Monday 11 May 4pm to 5pm

Sainsbury's Supermarket, Samson's Road, Brightlingsea, CO7 0RN.

Community Lets Talk Events

Wednesday 13 May 10am to 11am

Manningtree library, High Street, Manningtree, CO11 1AD.

Wednesday 13 May 10.30am to 12pm

Coffee morning, St Andrews Church, St Andrews Close, Alresford, CO7 8BL.

Thursday 14 May 10am to 11am

CVST Harwich Hub, 276 High Street, Dovercourt, CO12 3PD.

Saturday 16 May 10am to 11am

Kingscliff Shelter, opposite the Kingscliff Hotel, Kings Parade, Holland on Sea, CO15 5JB.

Sunday 17 May 10am to 11am

Asda Supermarket, Bull Hill Road, Clacton on Sea, CO15 4AU.

Monday 18 May 10am to 11am

Morrisons Supermarket, Centenary way, Little Clacton, CO16 9SB.

Monday 18 May 10am to 11am

Jaywick Community & Resource Centre, Brooklands Gardens, Jaywick, CO15 2JP.

Friday 22 May 10am to 11am

Harwich Market, High Street, Dovercourt, CO12 3AJ.

Saturday 23 May 10am to 11am

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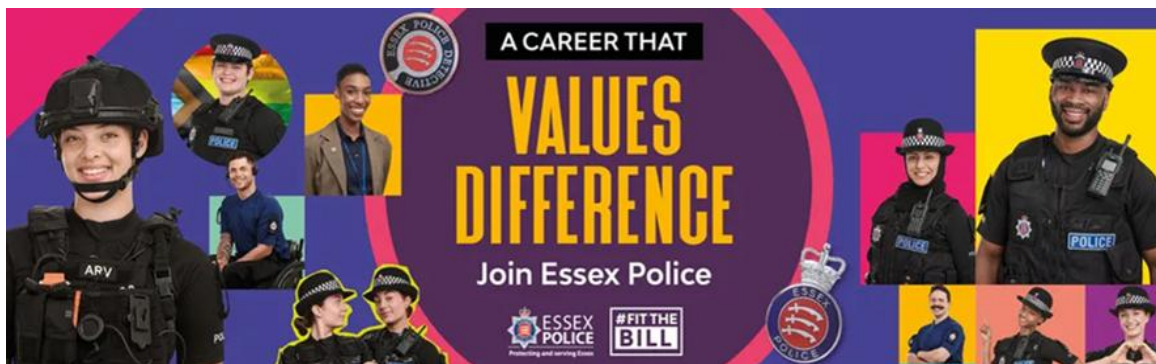
Tendring Special Constabulary

Volunteer Police Officers Making a Real Difference Special Constables, are volunteer police officers. They have the same police powers, uniforms and equipment as regular police officers. But Special Constables volunteer their time to help people and communities across Essex. They don't get paid for their police work but they are reimbursed for expenses. This includes costs like travel. Special Constables are given training and support to prepare them to become a volunteer police officer. They develop new skills, make friends and protect those who live in, work in, study in and visit Essex.

A Special Constable is an extraordinary person. A special kind of person. For more information visit:

[Special Constabulary | Essex Police](#)

Tendring Special Constables have put in an incredible number of hours throughout March/April 2026. This infographic really tells a story, true community hero's!



Road Crime and Safer Essex Roads Partnership

Throughout March, Essex Police Roads Policing teams were out across the county every day and night, working to reduce harm, improve driver behaviour and keep everyone who uses our road network safer. Their work focused on tackling dangerous driving, preventing serious collisions and protecting the most vulnerable road users.

Despite these ongoing efforts, March was marked by tragedy, with three people losing their lives on Essex's roads and 61 others suffering serious injuries. Behind every statistic is a family, friends and a community affected, reinforcing why proactive roads policing remains so vital.

To address the behaviours that most commonly lead to serious harm, officers carried out targeted patrols and enforcement operations across Essex. During the month, 246 mobile phone offences were detected, reflecting continued concerns around driver distraction. Officers also made 92 arrests for drink or drug driving, removed 587 uninsured vehicles from the road and prosecuted 461 cases of careless driving. In addition, 363 seatbelt offences were dealt with, highlighting that basic safety measures are still being overlooked by some motorists.

Alongside enforcement, education remains a key part of Essex Police's approach to road safety. In March alone, Roads Policing teams delivered 5,977 educational courses, helping drivers better understand the risks associated with their behaviour and encouraging long-term changes that enforcement alone cannot always achieve.

The impact of policing is strengthened by the support of the public. During March, the force received 511 submissions through the Safer Essex Roads "Extra Eyes" scheme, with members of the community reporting driving that caused concern. Community Speed Watch volunteers also played a crucial role, leading to 787 warning letters being issued to drivers exceeding speed limits in their neighbourhoods. This information allows officers to identify hotspots, target resources effectively and take action where it will have the greatest impact.

Every stop, vehicle seizure and arrest has one clear purpose: preventing harm and saving lives. Roads policing is not about punishment alone, but about creating safer journeys for everyone, whether they are driving, cycling or walking.

Essex Police continues to urge all road users to slow down, stay focused and make safe, responsible choices whenever they get behind the wheel. By working together with our communities, we can continue to reduce risk and make Essex's roads safer for all.

If you witness dangerous driving, please report it to Essex Police or submit information through the Safer Essex Roads Extra Eyes scheme at: <https://saferessexroads.org/extra-eyes/>




Free Social Media Training with CVST

Struggling with social media or unsure where to start? CVST can help.

Join our **FREE “How to Use Social Media” training**, designed to support local groups and organisations to make the most of online platforms.

 **Columbine Centre, Walton-on-the-Naze**

 **Tuesday 26 May & Tuesday 2 June**

 **12:30 – 14:30**

This practical, supportive two-session course will help you to:

- Attract more members or volunteers
- Promote the great work your group is doing
- Understand which social media platforms are right for you
- Set up and use accounts with confidence
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No previous experience is needed — just come along and learn in a relaxed and welcoming environment.

Places are limited, so please book early.



Social media training (2 part course)





Walton (Columbine centre) -
May 26th & June 2nd 12.30pm to 2.30pm

Harwich (Hub) -
Sept 15th & 22nd 10am to 12pm

Clacton (Coppins Hall) -
Oct 6th & 13th 10am to 12pm






Tel: 07707282907
www.cvstendring.org.uk

All training free and open to anyone in the Tendring area

 You're Invited to Our Dovercourt Community Allotment Open Day! 

Have you ever wondered what goes on at your local allotment? Now's your chance to find out!

Join us for a relaxed and friendly Open Day where you can:

-  Explore our growing spaces
-  Meet the volunteers
-  Learn about growing your own fruit and veg
-  Ask questions about planting
-  Be creative with garden crafts.

Enjoy light refreshments and good company!

Whether you're an experienced gardener or just curious about growing your own food, everyone is welcome. It's a great opportunity to connect with the community, enjoy some fresh air, and be inspired.

Dovercourt Allotment,
Long Meadows
19th and 20th May 2026
Sessions at 10am- 11am or
11am-12:00.

Bring your friends, family,
and your curiosity. We'd
love to see you there!

Please call Tracy Lawrie to
book your slot

07707 286621. Limited
spaces. Please book in
advance.



ALLOTMENT OPEN DAY

Tuesday 19th May - 10am or 11am.
Wednesday 20th May - 10am or 11am.
Please book a time.

 **Plant a flower
or vegetable to
take home**

 **Take a
tour**

 **Do some
garden craft**

 **Call 07707 286621**

www.cvstending.org.uk

Can you help?

Witness Appeal – Serious Collision in Manningtree

Officers are appealing for witnesses following a serious road traffic collision in Manningtree.

The collision occurred at approximately 6.45pm on Tuesday 7 April on Ipswich Road (A137), near the railway bridge. It involved a vehicle and a pedestrian and resulted in serious injuries.

Police are keen to hear from anyone who witnessed the collision or was in the area at the time. Drivers who were travelling along Ipswich Road or nearby are also asked to check any dash-cam footage, as it may contain information that could assist the investigation.

Anyone with information is asked to contact police, **quoting incident number 1101 of 7 April.**



We are appealing for any witnesses or dashcam footage following a fatal collision in Manningtree.

We were called to the scene of a collision involving a motorcycle and car in Clacton Road at about 3.45pm on Wednesday 8 April, and closed the road for several hours while emergency services worked at the scene.

Sadly, despite the best efforts of paramedics a 48-year-old man, the motorcyclist, has died.

A second person, the pillion passenger on the motorcycle, remains in a serious but stable condition.

We are appealing for any witnesses or dashcam footage in relation to this collision and ask anyone with information to contact us **quoting incident 714 of Wednesday 8 April.**

You can also let us know by submitting a report on our website or by using our online Live Chat service which is available 24 hours-a-day, seven days a week.

Visit our website to find out more about our online reporting services.

Alternatively contact police on 101.

If you would like to make an anonymous report you can contact independent charity **Crimestoppers** <https://crimestoppers-uk.org> by visiting their website or by calling 0800 555 111.

An advertisement for Crimestoppers. The background is a close-up of a person's hands holding a black smartphone. The text is overlaid on the image. At the top, it says 'Did you know Crimestoppers is a charity?' in white. Below that, in smaller white text, it says 'We're here to listen. Day or night. Any time of the year.' At the bottom left, it says 'Speak up to our charity. 24/7, 365 days a year. 100% anonymous. Always.' At the bottom right, on a purple triangular background, it says 'Crimestoppers. 0800 555 111 100% anonymous. Always. crimestoppers-uk.org'.

Crime Prevention

Protect your bike from theft

If you've ever had your bicycle stolen, you'll know how upsetting it can be. Our practical tips will help keep your bike safe and out of the hands of thieves – and advise on how to get it back if it is stolen.

The most important thing to remember is, double lock your bike and register the frame number.

Follow these 10 tips to ensure your bike remains safe, secure and not a statistic.



1. Double lock it

Using two locks slows thieves down and makes your bike less of a target. Use two quality locks, at least one of which is

a D-lock. Thieves are less likely to carry multiple tools, so use two different types of lock if possible.

2. Lock the lot

Lock the frame and both wheels to a secure cycle stand.

3. Secure it

Secure your bike as close to the stand as possible to give any thieves little or no room to manoeuvre.

4. Take removable parts with you

Take parts that are easy to remove with you, such as wheels, lights, baskets or the saddle. Or use locking skewers or nuts which can increase security by securing the bike's components to the frame permanently.

5. Park securely

Lock your bike at recognised secure cycle parking. It should be well lit and covered by CCTV.

6. Register it

Register your frame number on a national bike registration database approved by Secured by Design. The frame number is usually found underneath the bike between the pedals or where the back wheel slots in. If your bike is ever stolen and recovered by the police, it can be traced back to you.

7. Mark it

Get your bike security marked. It's a highly effective, visible deterrent to bike thieves. They know that if they are caught with a registered bike, the owner can be traced and they will be arrested. Security marking products can be found at Secured by Design.

8. Remember safety begins at home

Take the same care to lock your bike securely at home as you would on the street. Avoid advertising that you have a bike at home, for example, by removing car roof racks, and creating 'privacy zones' on apps like Strava to avoid disclosing your location.

9. Check ownership

Ask for proof of ownership and check the bike frame number on national bike registration databases approved by Secured by Design.

10. Act fast.

If your bike has been stolen, contact us as soon as possible by reporting online. Give us your frame number, cycle database number, a photo and any other details and make sure you update the status on the cycle database where you registered it. The sooner we know, the sooner we can act, which might stop it being sold on.

For more advice visit: <https://www.essex.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/>

Crime Prevention

Do you have CCTV or video doorbells? Help us keep our community safe by registering your cameras with Essex Police's CCTV registry!

Why Register? It's quick and easy—it takes just 60 seconds to add your details to our secure system. By registering, you can help prevent crime by receiving alerts when your footage may help us catch criminals operating in your area. Your personal information and camera details are kept secure and private, and sharing your recordings doesn't mean you'll have to attend court.

How It Works: Register your cameras securely in 60 seconds. Receive alerts when a crime happens near your home or business. Upload images via a secure link if your footage may help us.

Join us in making Essex safer for everyone. Register your cameras today!

Register your CCTV here: <https://cctvregistrykentandessex.co.uk>



This may seem obvious, but a large proportion of thefts would appear to be from unlocked vehicles.

Always check the vehicle is locked and the windows are up after using a key fob.

Listen for the locking noise and watch for the lights to flash, or where fitted, mirrors folding.

This can also provide reassurance that criminals have not blocked the locking signal from your fob using a jammer.

For further information visit:
<https://www.essex.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/>



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Blowing up their phone and stalking their every move? That's not love, it's harassment.

Sorry doesn't cut it, it's time to **#Reflect** on your abusive behaviour and get help to change. Break the cycle of domestic abuse,

Visit Essex Compass: <https://www.essexcompass.org.uk/reflect-reset/>



COMPASS

A partnership of domestic abuse services providing a response in Essex

Essex Domestic Abuse Helpline:

0330 333 7 444

Helpline available from 8 am to 8 pm weekdays and 8 am to 1 pm weekends.

You can refer here:

Support for Victims

SELF REFERRAL

POLICE

PROFESSIONAL

Needs Behaviour Change Support

SELF ReSET

PROFESSIONAL ReSET

General enquiries: enquiries@essexcompass.org.uk

Have you signed up to Dispatch? – Our free weekly e-newsletter!

We're offering more ways for our communities to stay up to date with our work across Essex.

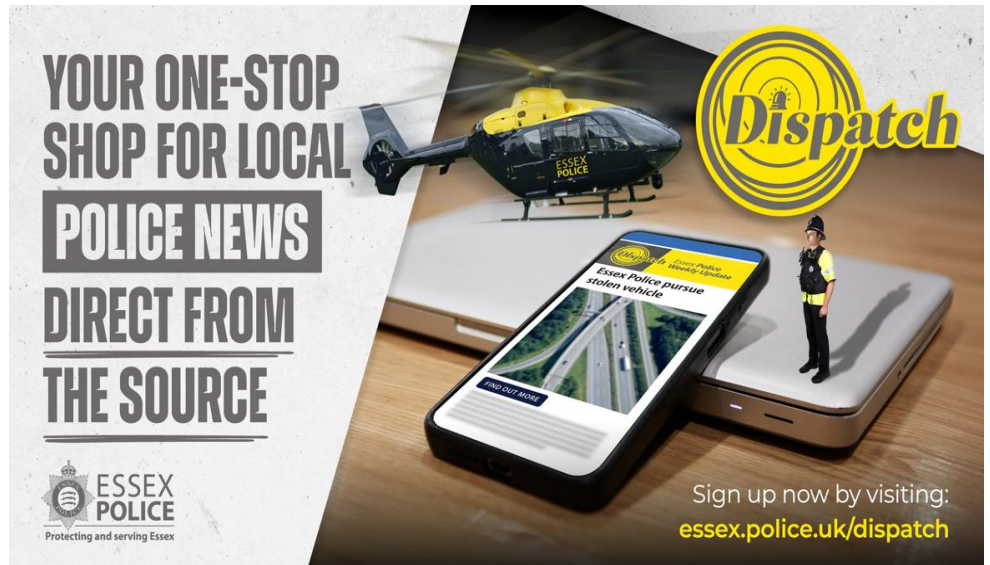
Our e-newsletter, Dispatch, delivers news, information, and advice from Essex Police. Dispatch is a 'one stop shop' for local police news – direct from the source.

Sign up is completely free and you can unsubscribe at any time. Every Monday subscribers receive an email which details work carried out across the force.

It includes news articles from our website, posts from our social media pages, crime prevention advice and more. And if you're looking for something that's more focused on where you live or work - we offer 14 district editions of Dispatch too, which are sent out every Wednesday.

Sign up today! We'd recommend the Essex edition plus the local district edition for your area – **Tendring!**

Visit: <https://www.essex.police.uk/dispatch> Or scan the QR Code!



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Essex Police Weekly Update
Essex Police pursue stolen vehicle
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Help Us – Help You!

Every day we answer thousands of phone calls from members of the public asking for our help. And we are dedicated to helping people, especially in an emergency.

But we are continuing to see an increase in people ringing 999 for something that isn't an emergency. Just 20% of the calls we are receiving to 999 actually need an emergency response.

So, we are asking people to think about whether they need to call 999. Or if another way of getting in contact with us would be better. By doing this, it will help make sure we are free to answer those phone calls from people who need our help the most. Calling 999 must be a last resort.

You should only use this service if you are reporting an emergency. What is an emergency?



Listed below are a few examples of emergencies when it would be necessary to call 999. This is not however an exhaustive list and common sense must prevail.

General circumstances of an incident reported to the police, when there is or likely to be:

Danger to life use, or immediate threat of use, of violence serious injury to a person and/or serious damage to property.

Criminal conduct The crime is, or likely to be serious and in progress. An offender has just been disturbed at the scene. An offender has been detained and poses, or is likely to pose a risk to other people.

WHICH OF OUR SERVICES WOULD BE BEST FOR YOU

- 1** **RIGHT SERVICE?**
UNSURE IF IT'S A POLICE ISSUE? or is another service better suited?
Find out online at: WWW.ASKTHE.POLICE.UK
- 2** **CHECK ONLINE?**
Is the information already on our website?
Check online: WWW.ESSEX.POLICE.UK
- 3** **REPORT ONLINE?**
Has a crime already happened and you want to report it?
Report online: WWW.ESSEX.POLICE.UK
- 4** **LIVE CHAT/101**
Do you want to share some information with us or speak to someone specific?
Use **LIVE CHAT**, otherwise **CALL 101**
- 5** **CALL 999**
IS IT AN EMERGENCY?
Is a crime happening right now or is life or property at risk?
CALL 999

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Find out more at www.essex.police.uk/HelpUsHelpYou

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