

HOW TO REPORT AND WHO TO

YOU COULD HAVE A VITAL PIECE OF INFORMATION, WHICH COULD LEAD TO POLICE TAKING ACTION IN YOUR AREA. I KNOW RESIDENTS AND COMMUNITIES ARE BEST PLACED TO KNOW THEIR AREAS - SO PLEASE 'REPORT YOUR INTELLIGENCE'.

Police intelligence is information which the police receive or collect. It could be information about drug dealing. It could be information about suspicious behaviour. Or it could be information about a possible drink driver.

Something you've seen or heard may seem insignificant, but your information could be the missing puzzle piece. It could help Dorset Police catch a criminal and keep people in your community safe.

The Report Your Intelligence facility collects a wide range of information, but is designed to ensure that the reports are actionable by the police.

By collecting everything needed at the first point of contact you can be assured that nothing important is missed and you won't necessarily be required to spend further time with separate calls or emails to the police.

Go online at www.dorset.police.uk and click on the Report Your Intelligence button on the homepage or visit www.dorset.police.uk/intelligence

CONTACTING OTHER AGENCIES

OTHER PARTNER AGENCIES DEAL WITH ISSUES THAT THE POLICE CANNOT, FOR EXAMPLE - NOISY NEIGHBOURS, SOME INCIDENTS OF ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, FLY-TIPPING AND HEALTH & SAFETY.

Report a noise nuisance to your local council:
www.gov.uk/report-noise-pollution-to-council

Report vandalism to public property to your local council:
www.gov.uk/report-vandalism

Report fly-tipping to your local council or the Environment Agency:
www.gov.uk/report-flytipping

Your local authority deals with a vast array of community issues. To find out who your local council is and more about what they do - go online: www.gov.uk/find-local-council

HOW TO CONTACT DORSET POLICE IN A NON EMERGENCY

ONLINE

Online contact with the police is dealt with in exactly the same way as non-emergency 101 phone calls.



REPORT YOUR INTELLIGENCE

Click on the 'Report Your Intelligence' button on the Dorset Police homepage or go to: www.dorset.police.uk/intelligence



BY PHONE - CALL 101

IF THERE IS A CRIME IN PROGRESS OR SOMEONE IS IN DANGER - CALL 999 IMMEDIATELY

CRIMESTOPPERS

Crimestoppers allows you to give information anonymously about crimes that affect you and your local community. You can contact them directly online or on **0800 555 111**

CONTACTING YOUR PCC

Police and Crime Commissioners decide the priorities for the local police, set the budget, and commission services for victims of crime. They do not have responsibility over operational matters, nor are they the correct agency for most complaints against the police. For matters dealt with by the Police and Crime Commissioner, please contact the office on the details below.



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In 2024, I was re-elected to be your Police and Crime Commissioner. Having served in this role since 2021 and making the pledge to be your voice in policing, I wanted to let you know about the continued progress being made on the priorities of my Police and Crime Plan. The priorities in the Plan are based on your views and are being delivered on your behalf.

My team and I are privileged to be working for you and we continue to work toward achieving the ambition of **MAKING DORSET THE SAFEST COUNTY**

DAVID SIDWICK

Dorset Police and Crime Commissioner



MAKE EVERY PENNY COUNT

As well as £1million of extra funding to continue high-visibility foot patrols which tackle ASB and violent crime, Dorset has also welcomed £1.6million to increase the numbers of police officers and staff working in frontline neighbourhood policing roles. The Force's plans for this investment include recruiting police staff investigators, detention officers and contact officers to release police officers into neighbourhood policing roles. This funding will enable Dorset Police to put the right people in the right places and reinforce the message to our residents and communities that 'neighbourhoods' remain at the heart of policing here in Dorset.

When it comes to funding for Dorset Police, I will continue to lobby for a fairer funding formula. Dorset receives the second lowest amount of police grant funding of any force in England and Wales and this squeeze on our finances gets tougher each year. I want to assure you that I will be relentless in my fight to ensure Dorset is the safest county.

PUT VICTIMS & COMMUNITIES FIRST

I have commissioned Victim Support Dorset to provide a range of services for victims of crime across the county, including victims of domestic abuse. The services have been put in place for five years and will ensure support is available for victims of crimes including burglary and robbery, ASB and domestic abuse. The service includes specialised support for children and young people and is free, confidential and delivered by dedicated, experienced staff who will listen with compassion and help victims to find ways to cope and feel safer.

Dorset Police's Enhanced Video Response project is proving successful, giving victims of crime the chance to speak to an officer via a video call rather than in person. The initiative is victim-led, giving each victim greater choice in how they interact with Dorset Police. This is particularly important for some people, who may not want a stranger, police officer or marked police car at their home. The approach has not only benefitted victims but also helped Dorset Police to ensure officer time is used even more efficiently.

FIGHT RURAL CRIME

Dorset Police's expanded Rural Crime Team continues to deliver positive results, with the award-winning team's work seeing a 10% reduction in rural crime over the past two years. They have also recovered and repatriated £2.2million of stolen machinery since 2022, delivering for victims of crime and ensuring perpetrators are forced to face the consequences of their criminal activity.

Thanks to funding from my Office towards a fly-tipping officer position with Dorset Council, double the amount of penalty notices for fly-tipping were issued in the first five months, compared to the previous five.



CUT CRIME & ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR (ASB)

Incidents of ASB have fallen to their lowest levels since 2007/08 across Dorset. Thanks to proactive and robust hotspot policing all year round with the data-driven project Op Track, as well as Operation Relentless and 100 Days of Summer and targeted Beach Beat patrols, we continue to work closely with our partners to ensure the public are protected from the impact ASB can cause.

With an extra £1million funding to continue Op Track, the initiative will be expanded to other Dorset towns, ramping up patrols which deter crime, boosting feelings of safety in both urban and rural towns. In the first phase of this project a significant number of hotspot areas saw a reduction in ASB, demonstrating the difference Dorset Police is making in our communities. The Op Relentless Community Fund has granted nearly £208,000 to 52 schemes, initiatives and groups over the last 4 years to reduce ASB at a grass roots level.

MAKE POLICING MORE VISIBLE & CONNECTED

I know the vital importance of a strong and positive connection between the police and our communities in Dorset. The public need to have trust that Dorset Police will be there when they need them and that's why I am pleased to see a real improvement in call times, following a challenge I issued to the Force. Contact officers are now answering more than 94% of 999 calls within 10 seconds, with the majority of 101 calls being answered in just over a minute.

In the past year 614 Community Contact Points have been held across Dorset, bringing police officers into the heart of your communities, so you can regularly talk to an officer face-to-face.

FIGHT VIOLENT CRIME & HIGH HARM

Op Scorpion and Op Viper have continued to disrupt drug supply in Dorset and across the South West, shutting down county lines, safeguarding vulnerable people and seizing hundreds of thousands of pounds worth of drugs and cash.

My Office has also created a number of hard-hitting videos on the impact of knife crime to be shown to young people in schools, as part of the education delivered by Dorset Police's Safer Schools and Communities Team, while my Violence Reduction and Prevention Team is also working intently on engaging with young people as part of their work focused on reducing violence and knife crime.

To find out more about my Police & Crime Plan and my ambitions for Dorset, please visit:

www.dorset.pcc.police.uk

