



Community Safety News

Appeal following spate of graffiti across Southwood



Residents are being asked to help track down vandals who defaced hoardings in Southwood, Farnborough, with extensive graffiti over Christmas and the New Year. Various graffiti tags appeared on hoardings in Southwood Road, on brick work in Oldwood Chase, on decorative wooden posts in Southwood woodland and in a resident's front garden.

The costly clean-up work has already started, but Rushmoor Borough Council and the Police are appealing for help to find those responsible and get in touch if they have any information or CCTV footage.

Graffiti is an offence and may lead to prosecution for criminal damage. Investigations continue and Police are visiting schools in the area to remind young people that anyone caught doing this is breaking the law.

Graffiti can be reported to the council using the Love Rushmoor mobile app or by going to our Graffiti page. If you have any information please let us know, by calling 101, or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Paint it Pink campaign to deter battery thieves



Country Watch officers are urging rural communities to Paint it Pink as part of a crackdown on battery thefts. A new flyer gives advice about etching your unique postcode onto any high value batteries and painting them pink.

Batteries such as those used in vehicles and for electric fences can be a popular choice for thieves, who sell them at scrapyards for their lead content.

The Country Watch team is writing to scrap metal merchants to ask them to reject and report any pink batteries offered to them.

Online reporting to Hampshire Constabulary

It's now easy to report a number of different crimes and incidents online at the Hampshire Constabulary website—www.hampshire.police.uk.

Reporting a road traffic incident

If you've been involved in a road traffic collision, or witnessed an offence on the roads, report it using our simple online tool. Visit www.hampshire.police.uk/ro/report/rti/report-a-road-traffic-incident/

Reporting a crime

If you've witnessed or been the victim of crime, please report it via www.hampshire.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/

Is it an emergency?

If you or someone else is in immediate danger, please call 999.

Help for unhealthy relationships?



Many people struggle to maintain healthy relationships with their partner/ex-partner and violence and abuse can sometimes feature in these relationships.

If you would like to speak to someone about getting help to address and change your behaviour towards a partner, the Raising Awareness of Domestic Abuse in Relationships (RADAR) programme is available throughout Hampshire. You can contact the programme on 02380 009898 or visit the Hampton Trust website at www.hamptontrust.org.uk/our-programmes/dapp/

Alternatively you can call the Respect phone line on 0808 802 4040, www.resepct.uk.net

Information and advice is available for male and female perpetrators (including those in same sex relationships) as well as for partners / ex-partners, friends, family members and professionals.

