

Parish Council monthly update

Little Stour and Ashstone

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Crimes of note:

There have been a few reports of anti social behaviour happening during the early hours of the morning, especially around Wingham and Preston areas. Please can I ask these incidents are reported, either via 101 or 999 if immediate threat to life or property. All calls that come into Kent Police are risk assessed on severity and patrols are deployed accordingly. PCSO's do not work past 11pm and PC patrols cover all of the district of Dover, Deal Sandwich and all the villages in between so I can not guarantee extra patrols to cover the area during these times, especially at weekends as these are often our busiest times. But please do report these incidents via the correct channels mentioned as without these reports nothing can be done at all, my job mobile and email are address are not to be used for contact re these crimes if they have not been reported via correct channels previously as it will not create a log nor be dealt with if I am off duty.

There are numerous scams doing the rounds at the moment, either via phone or email. If anyone is unsure of the nature of these emails or calls, please do not click on links or call numbers back, report to the police and action fraud, both of which take moments on line.

I have also been working with the Special Constables who have been assisting me with patrols in the area, so if you see them give them a wave and say hello, they will be happy to stop for a chat.

I have seen a few Speedwatch volunteers in the area and I understand there are more groups to follow. I understand Preston have been granted funding to purchase their own equipment so look forward to seeing the volunteers out and about. The speedwatch coordinator is going to contact me with dates of sessions so I can attend when I can, I will also look to get the Special Constables to assist as they can enforce there and then too.

I have had several reports of parking issues over the past few weeks in and around the villages. There are limited offences Police have powers to deal with when it comes to parking. There have been reports of abandoned vehicles, these need to be reported to Dover District Council after 2 weeks of being abandoned and they will look to remove the vehicle after this time.



For more information about policing in your area, visit **www.kent.police.uk**

To report a non-urgent crime online, visit **www.kent.police.uk/contactus**

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I shall as always be keeping up the patrols in the area and I try where possible to be out most shifts.

Kent Police Community Safety Unit, in conjunction with Dover District Council Community Safety Unit remain jointly working together targeting nuisance vehicles in our rural communities, proactively targeting and disrupting those responsible for nuisance riding in the Dover District

When reporting incidents of anti-social, nuisance and / or suspicious behaviour please consider the advice below:

- The Time/ Day/ Date/ Location of the incident.
- Names of or if unknown, a description of the offender, as full as possible, including clothing.
- Any vehicle markings, such as registration numbers and a full description of the vehicle, including make/ model/ vehicle type, colour, any distinctive markings or damage.
- If images (stills or CCTV) can be obtained at no risk to the informant, please email these to your local officer or CSU.dover@kent.police.uk

The Parish Council meetings will be joined on a bi-monthly basis by the PCSO.

Ongoing high visibility patrols have been maintained in and around the villages of Ash, Wingham, Preston, Stourmouth, Staple and Goodnestone for this period and will continue.