

ALL OUT DAY - good news feedback

Police have made 15 arrests for offences such as robbery and drug taking in Mid Kent following a series of co-ordinated raids last week on Wednesday 19th May. They aim to tackling crime and anti-social behaviour across the Maidstone area. During the raids police seized a number of stolen goods and illegal drugs.

Over a hundred police officers have been hitting the streets, with senior officers, detectives and office staff all getting back out on the beat. This is to send a tough message that crime and anti-social behaviour will not be tolerated and that police and partners are responding to resident's concerns. This is part of an ongoing operation that will ensure criminals and those who commit anti-social behaviour are kept on the back foot.

Newly appointed, Chief Superintendent Matthew Nix, Area Commander for Mid Kent was also out with his staff: "This operation is aimed at dealing with our area's priorities; improving public confidence by dealing with and reducing anti-social behaviour and crime issues that matter locally. This is the start of a series of ongoing operations, building upon what we are already doing, to effectively deal with those people who choose to commit anti-social behaviour and crime. That behaviour will not be tolerated and today's activities will once again show that we are committed to addressing the local concerns of our communities. Mid Kent is already a very safe place to live, work and visit and we are determined to make it even safer."

In Maidstone five people have been arrested following a warrant at an address in Parkwood Parade, Maidstone. Police seized a quantity of herbal cannabis and amphetamine paste. A 14 year old boy, an 18 year old girl, a 19 year old man, a 21 year old man and a 43 year old woman were all arrested on suspicion of possession of class B drugs and have been bailed pending further enquiries until 14 July. A number of other people have been arrested for serious criminal offences and are now subject to court proceedings.

GARDEN ORNAMENT THEFTS

We have again seen an increase in the theft of plant pots and other garden ornaments, particularly in front gardens. This is a common crime trend for this time of the year and we would like to warning you to secure any desirable objects in the hope that we can prevent any further crime. If you can secure them to an object that cannot be moved, such as a wall or a fence then do so. There have also been incidents in previous years where solar lights have been taken, they are usually just stuck in the ground with a spike and easy to remove, consider cementing them into the ground.

CURRENT SCAMS

To view all current scams please go to www.kcnwa.org click on the links section which will take you to Trading Standards where they are available.

Please apply caution when dealing with any unknown caller at the door or on the telephone. If we can work together to stop people like this from profiting from these ploys they will hopefully stop it in the future.

If you have any information in connection with any of these messages or you would like to talk to anyone please call Lorraine Hemphrey on 01622 604395.

