

CRIME PREVENTION

YOUR UPDATE



Update from the Force Crime Prevention Team

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Keyless Car Theft – did you know:

- Thieves only need to be within a few metres from your car keys to capture the signal.
- Any vehicle that uses keyless entry is at risk.
- It can take less than two minutes for thieves to gain full access to your car.



Oversharing Online

Get Safe Online have created a leaflet to raise awareness of what you are sharing online. Did you know that the personal information you share in your profile could be used by criminals to steal your identity, or that sharing that you are away on holiday could leave your home vulnerable to burglary?

Top tips in the leaflet include:

- Check that your Facebook and other social media profiles are set to private.
- Remember that granting access to social media data to enter a competition or survey may be revealing confidential details.
- Turn off location settings on yours and your children's mobile devices, apps and cameras to avoid giving away where you/they are.

For further information, and to download the leaflet, please visit: [Oversharing online - Get Safe Online Alert \(neighbourhoodalert.co.uk\)](https://www.getsafeonline.org/oversharing-online-leaflet)



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Free expert advice



Personal Safety Apps

For additional protection when out and about, consider downloading a personal safety app to your phone. The Hollie Guard app was developed by the Hollie Gazzard Trust to keep people safe. It has many features but a simple tap or shake of your phone alerts your nominated emergency contact with your location and video/audio evidence. www.hollieguard.com



Rural Times – late summer edition

The latest edition of Rural Times is now available to view on our [website](#)



Hampshire CyberWatch

Hampshire CyberWatch, through Neighbourhood Watch, provides free help and advice if you are worried about fraud or scams, hacking of devices or if you have become a victim of crime. Contact a Cyber Champions at www.hampshirecyberwatch.org



The Law is changing on Machete and Zombie-style knives

It will be illegal to possess, sell, manufacture and transport machete or zombie-style knives from 24 September 2024. The Police and Crime Commissioner, Donna Jones has joined Hampshire and the IOW Constabulary in calling for all zombie-style knives and machetes to be surrendered across the two counties before this date. For information on police station locations where knives can be surrendered please see: [PCC calls on owners of zombie-style knives and machetes to hand them in](#)



Shein shoppers: Beware of phishing emails

NATIONAL TRADING STANDARDS

Protecting Consumers
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National Trading Standards are warning Shein customers about a new phishing scam offering a pallet of free clothes for completing a survey, with the message “Customer feedback has always helped us improve the Shein experience. Click through to take a quick 60-second survey and receive a fantastic prize”. The scammers create a sense of urgency, with limited places on offer. Take time to check emails are legitimate, if an offer is too good to be true, it probably is.

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