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Dear business colleague,
As part of our commitment to keeping you informed about police and crime issues affecting the business community, we will be issuing brief monthly email updates on any areas relevant to you.
Please see below for September's update. If you require any further information on the issues noted, please contact Suffolk Police on 101.

Are you aware **Police Connect** is a free messaging service connecting you to the very latest policing news for your business via email, text or phone. Operated by Norfolk and Suffolk Constabularies, Police Connect will provide you with localised information in a variety of situations including emergency alerts, missing people appeals, crime reports, neighbourhood policing news and events. You can register online at:
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Businesses will also be given the option to select their area of business to receive alerts that are relevant to them.

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[Corrie McKeague](#)

Police are continuing work behind the scenes to trace missing Corrie McKeague and are continuing to ask anyone who was out in the Bury St Edmunds area in the early hours of Saturday 24 September to come forward. Officers and police staff have gone through hundreds of hours of CCTV footage and continue to view images gathered from Bury for the morning Corrie disappeared. Police have gathered CCTV from businesses and private sources in and around Bury, and have checked on possible routes out of town for private systems but officers are continuing to ask anyone who may have private CCTV to get in touch if they have anything that might help.

[Advice for transit van owners following equipment thefts](#)

Suffolk Police are appealing for witnesses and issuing security advice following a number of thefts of equipment from transit vans across the county.

Overnight on Wednesday 12 October and Thursday 13 October, thieves broke into a number of secure white transit vans across the county including Sudbury, Elmswell, Stowmarket, Needham Market, Haverhill and Great Blakenham. The offenders accessed secure vehicles parked in driveways by unknown means and have stolen a variety of power tools from each vehicle.

[Aggravated burglary in Bury St Edmunds](#)

Officers are investigating following an aggravated burglary at a shop in Bury St Edmunds. Officers were alerted around 8.45pm, Sunday 23 October, to reports

that two men had gone into the Co-Op shop in Out Risbygate. One jumped over the counter, and staff managed to get to safety in a back room, while the other man stood near the door of the premises. He appeared to be armed with a knife.

[Container burglary in Bromeswell](#)

Police are appealing for information after the burglary of a container on farm land near Bromeswell, where an air rifle was stolen. The incident happened between 4pm on Tuesday 18 and 7.15am on Wednesday 19 October, when the container off Sutton Road was broken into.

[Appeal after sheep attacked](#)

Police are urging dog owners to keep their animals under control after two recent attacks on sheep. A rare breed Hebridean sheep in fields at Heath Road at Upper Hollesley Common is believed to have been attacked around 17 September. Police have also recently dealt with an incident that occurred at Freston around 8 October, where two lambs had to have veterinary treatment for wounds to their legs consistent with a dog attack.

[Body worn cameras roll out planned for 2017](#)

Norfolk and Suffolk Police are announcing a phased roll-out of body worn cameras for frontline officers which is planned to begin in 2017.

Temporary Assistant Chief Constable Mike Fawcett, programme lead for body worn cameras for both forces, said: "We are always looking to ways to further improve the public's trust in community policing. Cameras offer greater transparency for those in front of the camera as well as behind it. Our officers often have to work in challenging situations and the use of body-worn video cameras can be a valuable tool in supporting them whilst building the public's confidence."

[Suffolk Police launch new Victims' Strategy](#)

Suffolk Constabulary is launching a new Victims' Strategy, as the organisation underlines its commitment to 'delivering a service that values and supports people'. This new strategy emphasises the constabulary's standards and the service that victims of crime can expect to receive from the police. Its aim is to put victims at the heart of policing in Suffolk by providing the support and information that they need.

[Anti-slavery Day](#)

Anti-Slavery Day on Tuesday 18 October was an opportunity to raise awareness of modern slavery and to highlight the work done by government, police, charities, business and individuals to eliminate it in the UK. Suffolk and Norfolk Constabularies supported this day of action in raising awareness of human exploitation which often equates to modern-day slavery in 21st century Britain.

[Roadshow event for the Special Constabulary](#)

New volunteers are actively being sought to join the ranks of Suffolk's Special Constabulary.

A 'roadshow event' will be held at Ipswich Town Hall, Cornhill, Ipswich on Tuesday 8th November from 9am to 6pm where interested applicants can 'drop in' at a time that suits them and speak to various members of Police and Support Staff about particular aspects of becoming a Special Police Constable. In addition, a Specials recruitment event will be held at Brome Grange Hotel, Norwich Road, Eye IP23 8AP on Wednesday 30 November, starting at 7.30pm.

[More than 150 motorists fail to belt-up](#)

More than 150 people were dealt with for not wearing a seatbelt during a week-long enforcement campaign in Norfolk and Suffolk. Officers from the joint roads policing unit carried out checks on motorists and their passengers as part of the Europe-wide TISPOL seatbelt enforcement initiative held between 12 and 18 September.

[Shop robbery crime prevention advice](#)

Suffolk is one of the safest counties in the country. However, despite this success, we cannot afford to be

complacent and it is therefore essential that shop staff, members of the public and your local Police continue to work together to reduce the risk of robbery occurring from post offices and other stores.

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