



HERTFORDSHIRE

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PCSO Chris Brabrook 6522, PC Mark Ellwood 371, PC Johnie Streeter 1931
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North Herts has a new Safer Neighbourhood Team Inspector who is responsible for managing the Letchworth, Baldock, Hitchin and Royston neighbourhood teams.

Inspector Duncan Sales started his career with Hertfordshire Constabulary in 1987 at the age of 29 and was based initially in Watford. He was promoted to Sergeant in 1990 and led a team of officers as part of Tring Safer Neighbourhood Team for six years before being promoted to Inspector in 1996 where he led the local Intervention team responding to emergency calls.



Duncan is no stranger to North Herts and in 2000 he took on the role of Intervention Inspector. He later moved into the role of Community Safety Inspector covering the western and central areas of the county in 2001.

Duncan then became a Detective Inspector and worked in the Local Crime Unit in St Albans and Hatfield where he investigated priority crimes such as burglaries, robberies, assaults and drugs offences, before moving to the Case Investigation Team where he managed the unit dealing with offenders in custody.

In his most recent role before moving back to North Herts, Duncan led the Constabulary's Harm Reduction Unit where he managed the unit dealing with incidents of domestic abuse, honour based violence, hate crime and missing people. Duncan said: "I was really pleased to return to North Herts in the role of Safer Neighbourhood Team Inspector as the area has a real sense of community.

"I am looking forward to working closely with area partner agencies and continuing to build on the already very strong relationships we have with them to reduce crime further, bring those responsible for crime to justice and ensure the community plays an active role in helping police to keep North Herts a safe place to live and work."

Inspector Sales lives in Hertfordshire and is married with children.

DRIVE SAFE - THERFIELD



Children from Therfield First School remind motorists to keep to speed limits Two pupils from Therfield First School in Therfield, Royston, the local Community DriveSafe team and

Hertfordshire Constabulary unveiled a new banner on The Causeway in Therfield on Monday, May 12, designed to raise awareness amongst children about road safety and to warn motorists driving through the village to reduce their speed.

The local DriveSafe team approached the Constabulary and Therfield School to see if they wanted to get involved in speed awareness. As part of this PCSO Chris Brabrook from Royston's Safer Neighbourhood Team and DriveSafe's David Whitby visited the school one day to host a speed awareness assembly where the children were educated about speed limits and keeping themselves safe when near roads.

At the end of the assembly the children were asked to take part in a competition by designing a poster to remind motorists to slow down when driving through their village and keep to the 30 MPH speed limit. The winning posters would then feature on a banner to be placed on a stretch of road where motorists tend to speed.

A total of 27 children took part in the competition and drawings belonging to three children – Izzy Arnott (age 6) Clover Cockburn (age 5) and Charlie Barret (age 4) - were selected as winners. Their posters were chosen as their designs were eye catching and gave clear messages to motorists about driving slowly.

PCSO Chris Brabrook, from Royston Safer Neighbourhood Team said: "We were really pleased to work alongside the DriveSafe team and Therfield First School on this great initiative which has not only enabled us to educate local children about road safety, but we also now have a new banner reminding motorists to keep to the speed limit in an area where they tend to speed.

"Speed limits through villages are in place to keep people safe. In villages such as Therfield, the traffic flow is less than in a busy town so children may play near the roads and accidentally run into them. It's therefore very important that everyone keeps to the speed limit."

While you are on holiday your home could be at a greater risk of being broken into. We would like to offer some tips to help you make your home more secure and to reduce this risk while you are away.

Make your home look occupied by asking a trusted relative, neighbour or friend to collect mail, water plants and to park their car on your drive etc

Consider using the Royal Mail's "Keep Safe" service – They will keep your mail for up to 2 months while you're away

- Don't leave curtains closed in the daytime as this shows the house is empty
- Use automatic timer switches to turn your lights on when it is dark
- Cancel regular deliveries such as newspapers and milk
- Avoid discussing holiday plans where you may be overheard by strangers

- Cut your lawn before you go
- Consider leaving important documents and valuable items with other family members, a bank or in a safe
- Don't put your home address on your luggage on your outward journey to your holiday destination
- Consider leaving valuable items kept in your shed in the house
- Put all your tools, including ladders, away so they can't be used to break into your house
- If you need to use a taxi, use a company you trust and don't discuss your holiday plans
- Finally, don't forget to lock all external doors, windows, and gates and set the burglar alarm if you have one.

Have a great time – and don't forget your passport and tickets!

LOCAL CRIME INFORMATION

G4E - Ashwell, Hinxworth, Bygrave, Newnham and Caldecote

Crime No.	Offence	Location	Date
G4/14/304	Theft	Hinxworth	17/05 to 19/05
Theft of bespoke garden furniture from a business			
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G4/14/310	Theft	Hinxworth	20/05 to 21/05
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G4/14/314	Burglary (other) - Attempt	Ashwell	16/05 to 23/05
Container broken into, entry gained and nothing removed			
Crime No.	Offence	Location	Time & Date
G4/14/331	Burglary (other) - Attempt	Ashwell	28/05 to 29/05
Gained entry to a pavilion, damage to machinery inside			
G4D – Barley, Barkway, Reed, Therfield, Kelshall and Nuthampstead			

Crime No.	Offence	Location	Time & Date
G4/14/289	Burglary (other)	Kelshall	25/04 to 29/04
Garden equipment removed from a garage			
Crime No.	Offence	Location	Date
G4/14/306	Theft	Barley	17/05 to 19/05
Solar panel lamps removed from front garden			
G3C - Sandon, Wallington, Rushden, Clothal and Weston			
Crime No.	Offence	Location	Date
G3/14/255	Drink Drive	A505	19/05
Person stopped and arrested			

4 th June, 2000 - 2030	Ashwell Parish Meeting	Parish Rooms, Swan Street
8 th June, 1100 - 1600	Royston Open Secrets	Royston Heath, Royston
12 th June, 1930 - 2100	Therfield Village Meeting	Fordham Hall, Therfield
21 st June, 1200 to 1700	Therfield Village Fete	St Mary's Church, Therfield

Your local Neighbourhood Police Teams website

<http://snt.herts.police.uk/Teams.aspx?TeamID=G01>

Useful Links

<http://www.herts.police.uk/>

<http://www.doglost.co.uk/>

<http://www.stolenhorseregister.com/>