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Rural Engagement Team
Newsletter

June 2023

TELL IT TO THE KIDS!

RET have been focused on road safety outside schools.

The team worked closely with two primary schools in Uttlesford to drive down speeding and keep children safe.

The team visited the schools & talked to the children about road safety. Speed checks were then run outside the school with pupils assisting. When a speeding motorist was stopped, they were given the option to avoid a ticket if they agreed to speak to the children, providing they were only slightly over the speed limit.



This proved highly impactive and all drivers reported they would be much more aware of their speed going past schools in future.



Over the day 2 drivers were prosecuted for not having insurance, 2 for speeding, 5 for parking on school zig zags and 1 4 drivers spoke to pupils about their speed.



Domestic abuse is all about control. If you notice that someone seems to be controlled in all areas of their life, it could be a sign they are being abused.

SETDAB.org

Now there's a quick online alternative to calling 101 or visiting a police station:

DIGITAL 101

Digital 101 essex.police.uk

Do it online at: essex.police.uk

IN AN EMERGENCY ALWAYS CALL 999

RET TRACKS STOLEN GOODS

RET will go anywhere to find and recover stolen vehicles and return property to its rightful owner.

June saw the team recovering stolen items across Essex.

In Thurrock we recovered a stolen Land Rover Defender.



Also in Thurrock on the same day we found stolen items of plant.



Later in the month the team recovered two stolen mopeds, one in Saffron Walden, the other in Chelmsford.



And finally a high value dumper truck was found after its tracking device activated in Brentwood, before being traced to Boreham in Chelmsford. The dumper was on the back of a lorry about to be driven out of the county and probably abroad.



Theft of vehicles and plant from rural locations is a priority for the team.

In the past 12 months the team have recovered over 60 stolen vehicles and items from across the county.

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HERITAGE FOCUS

RET lead the force on heritage crime matters.

In June we investigated damage being caused at Southchurch Manor House in Southend.

Ancient stones under the moat bridge had been moved.

Working with staff, we gave advice on security and ensured our precious heritage was safeguarded.



All RET officers have heritage awareness qualifications from Historic England.

HISTORIC SITES VISITED

We have been visiting historic sites across Essex to show a visible presence and help safeguard our heritage.

In June we have visited Ongar Railway Station, the Essex Regiment Chapel in Warley as well as



many other significant historic sites.



STOLEN DOG RETURNED

Working with CID, RET were able to trace and recover a stolen dog and return her to her very grateful owner.

Pearl was taken during a house burglary in Halsted in May. Two people have been arrested on suspicion of burglary.

Following an appeal to find Pearl, information was received which led the team to an address in Tendring where Pearl was found safe and well.



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JUNE EVENTS

Over June we visited 9 engagement events.

The team were delighted to display at the Tiptree Jam open farm day.

The on loan Police tractor was a huge hit, as



was our 4x4 and dressing up uniform.

The team also attended the Colchester Police Station open day. Over 2000 people visited the event.



Want us to visit your event? Email us at 74973@essex.police.uk

WORKING TOGETHER

RET work at a county and national level with partners to reduce rural crime.

We attended the National Rural Crime Network conference in London. Police Crime Commissioner's from across England attended alongside other partner agencies and charities.



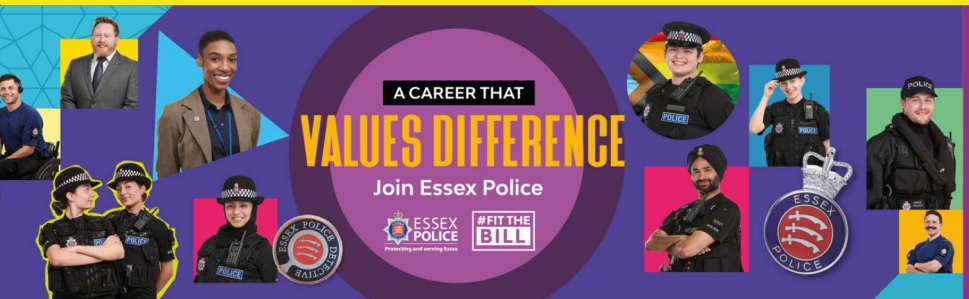
We also attended the Essex Police, Fire & Crime Commissioners conference in Colchester.



Digital 101

You can report non-emergency crime by calling 101 or by using Digital 101, our quick and easy to use online service that's available at any time.

Digital 101 is available on the Essex Police website: **essex.police.uk**



If you, or anyone you know, is interested in protecting and serving Essex, you can follow us on social media, or search #FitTheBill