

# Sussex Police

## Wealden Neighbourhood Policing Team

### NHW Update

#### News, Advice and Appeals

- **Purse thefts, Crowborough** We recently received reports of two purse thefts in Crowborough. They both took place on Thursday 16 April – one at a newsagent's in London Road (0550 of 16/04), and the other at Morrisons (1504 of 16/04). In both cases, the purses were left on counters while people were dealing with their shopping. Never leave your purse, bag or any belongings unattended while you are out and about – whether in a shop, café or elsewhere – as it only takes a moment for an opportunistic thief to steal them.
- **Porches – keep them secure** Porches, and the items kept within them, are usually highly visible to people walking or driving past, so please don't forget to ensure these are secure, as well as all your other doors. Whether you are actually storing property in your porch, or just leaving items there for a short time, they can be a tempting target for passing criminals, so don't forget to lock them!
- **Lead thefts – be vigilant** The attempted theft of lead from a school is included in this week's crime update. We would like to ask anyone living near to buildings such as churches and schools, which are left unoccupied for lengthy periods of time, to be alert for any suspicious behaviour or vehicles that they may see around these sorts of locations. Information from local residents is vital in helping us prevent and detect such incidents, which cause expensive damage to properties and have an extremely negative effect on the lives of local people.

#### Crime Update

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| Ref  | Date  | Details  |
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| 0847 | 10/04 | A house in Wallsend Road, <b>Pevensey</b> , was broken into between 10am and 2.50pm on Friday 10 April. Two rear doors were smashed to gain access, and various items of jewellery were stolen.                        |
| 1011 | 10/04 | A shed in the rear garden of a house in Sham Farm Road, <b>Eridge Green</b> , was broken into between 10am and 1pm on Friday 10 April. Two hedge trimmers – one Mitox and one Stihl, and a Stihl strimmer, were taken. |

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| 0154 | 12/04 | The front window of a shop in Station Road, <b>Polegate</b> , was smashed at around 2.15am on Sunday 12 April. Three young males were seen in the area at the time.  |
| 0123 | 15/04 | A number of scaffolding poles and fittings were stolen from a yard at <b>Bells Yew Green</b> Business Centre, near Tunbridge Wells some time between 6pm on Tuesday 14 April and 6am the following morning.  |
| 0571 | 14/04 | Some time over the Easter holidays an attempt was made to steal lead from the roof of <b>Pevensey &amp; Westham</b> Primary School. The lightning conductor and some tiles were damaged, but no lead was taken.  |
| 0103 | 15/04 | An industrial pressure washer was stolen from a barn in Knowle Lane, <b>Halland</b> some time between Tuesday 7 and Tuesday 14 April. It is a Nilfisk Alto Poseidon 5 with a blue plastic body, black metal frame, red water inlet hose and yellow Hoselock tap connector. |
| 1222 | 16/04 | An attempt was made to break into the garage of a property in Walnut Walk, <b>Polegate</b> between 6pm on Wednesday 15 April and 4.30pm the following day.   |
| 0096 | 17/04 | A green keeper's building in Sweethaws Lane, <b>Crowborough</b> , was broken into some time between 5.30pm on Thursday 16 April and 4.30am the following morning. A number of items of equipment were taken including two Stihl leaf blowers and four Stihl chainsaws.     |
| 0973 | 16/04 | A heavy brass flower pot and some brass cow bells were stolen from outside a house in Bell Lane, <b>Nutley</b> , some time between Monday 13 and Tuesday 14 April.   |

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