



NEW signage in Brentwood.

## Upcoming events

- Speedwatch Training
- Keep Safe Shenfield
- Keep Safe Brentwood

## Our Partnership Promise

To work together in partnership with the community to ensure that Brentwood remains a safer place for all, by reducing:

- Crime
- Reoffending
- Risk of harm
- Anti-Social Behaviour

## CCTV

Safer Brentwood, Essex Police and Brentwood Borough Council have sponsored new CCTV signage that are being erected throughout the Borough.

The new signage will be replacing the older CCTV signage and Environmental Health Manager David

Carter, who is leading on all things CCTV has been in charge of the switch over.

David said "I am happy with the new signage, which will help ensure the residents that this partnership is working together. The clearer image and brighter signage will help deter criminals and keep Brentwood a safe place.

## Partnership Plan 2015/16

Brentwood's Community Safety Partnership Plan for 2015/16 is now available at [www.saferbrentwood.com](http://www.saferbrentwood.com)

Under the Crime & Disorder Act 1998 CSPs are required to work together in formulating and implementing strategies to tackle local crime and disorder and reduce reoffending in the area. The partnership plan sets out the partnership's priorities and objectives.

To ensure that the partnership is proactive and well informed we carry out an annual Strategic Intelligence Assessment in order to review existing priorities and identify any new or emerging priorities that the partnership

should focus on.

The Partnership Plan takes forward the priorities identified by local residents and data from the Strategic Intelligence Assessment and sets out how the partnership will work together over the next twelve months to tackle crime and disorder and achieve its priorities. This plan also has regard to the police and crime objectives set out in the Police and Crime Commissioners (PCC) Police and Crime Plan, and will be shared with the PCC.

If you would like any further information regarding the partnership plan please contact Safer Brentwood.

## Speedwatch

Speedwatch training will be taking place on Wednesday 1 July at 3pm. Keith Smith from Essex Police Casualty Reduction Section will be delivering the training at the Town Hall, Ingrave Road.

Approximately 20 residents have put

their names forward for the scheme and wish to receive training.

Cllr Chris Hossack is a keen supporter of Speedwatch and said "I am glad more people are taking part in the scheme. I know it will make a differences to the speeding issues on our roads".

## Priorities 2015/16

- Protecting People from Harm
- Anti-social Behaviour
- Burglary
- Community Engagement



## Keep Safe Brentwood 2015



**Keep Safe Shenfield Launch**  
18 June 2015 - Shenfield Library

**Keep Safe Brentwood Event**  
19 June 2015 – The Baytree Shopping Centre

Keep Safe Brentwood has had a hugely successful eight months, with approximately 19 venues supporting the scheme which currently has more than 400 members.

Keep Safe is a free scheme to help vulnerable people feel safer when they are out in towns across Essex - and in Brentwood we are the first borough to extend the scheme to the elderly and those with learning difficulties and mental ill health.

The scheme works by specified venues displaying the Keep Safe sticker and offer the use of a telephone or will make a phone call for members of the scheme if they are in need. For example, if they lose their keys, telephone or wallet, or they are distressed in any way.

The initial launch took place in Brentwood on 10 October 2014 and this year is extending to

Shenfield as well.

The Keep Safe scheme will be launching in Shenfield on June 18 2015. The event will take place outside the library on Shenfield High Street.

Brentwood will hold a Keep Safe promotional event on Friday 19 June 2015 outside the Baytree Shopping Centre off of Brentwood High Street.



## Loan Shark Awareness Week

The England Illegal Money Lending Team in partnership with Brentwood Borough Council, Essex County Council Trading Standards and other partners is launching a campaign to raise awareness of the dangers of loan sharks.

Loan sharks operate illegally, without the correct permissions from the Financial Conduct Authority. These criminals usually appear friendly at first but quickly trap their borrowers into spiralling debt. As the debts can't legally be enforced many lenders will resort to the most extreme and callous methods to enforce repayment including threats, violence and intimidation.

The campaign launches on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July, at Brentwood Town Hall, as local agencies unite to sign a charter pledging a zero tolerance approach to illegal money lending and to increase the confidence of residents, to use safe legal credit options such as credit unions and to seek timely debt advice from agencies such as Brentwood Citizens Advice Bureau.

Following the charter signing, frontline staff from local agencies will be invited to attend a free training session covering the dangers of loan sharks.

On Friday 10 July at the Chapel Ruins the team will be available to answer further questions.

If you would like updated information please follow @saferbrentwood on Twitter.

## Scams Awareness Month

Scams Awareness Month is taking place in July this year and it is all about creating an awareness which impels confidence to the consumers.

If you're looking to protect yourself and your family from scams or if you're an organisation or group representing consumers, you could make a difference. It is important to help spread the message that scams can be tackled and if we take our time to spot the signs and share what we learn with others.

Citizens Advice and Trading Standards Services are leading activities throughout the month of **July** as part of Scams Awareness Month.

Throughout the month we will be turning the focus on different types of scams:

- Phone scams July 1 - 12
- Online scams week beginning July 13
- Mail Scams w/b July 20
- Doorstep scams - w/b July 27

### Be safe online...

Don't share your address, personal photos, or meet up with online friends unless your parent or carer is with you.

REMEMBER - CYBER FRIENDS ARE STILL STRANGERS.

For more information, visit [www.childnet.com](http://www.childnet.com)

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## Commuters Help Catch Burglar

We would like to thank members of the public after they helped us catch a suspect believed to be involved in a burglary spree across Brentwood.

The man, 37, from Westcliff was arrested in connection with break-ins at two properties early Wednesday morning, June 3 and attempted burglaries at four homes and businesses including Gemma Collins Boutique on Crown Street.

The suspect was then spotted at Brentwood railway station by eagle-eyed commuters and they alerted the train driver who refused to leave the station until officers arrived.

He was arrested by PC Tom Buchanan with the assistance of PCSO Ben Turner and later charged with two burglaries and four attempted burglaries.

Detective Inspector Rob Staples said "I would like to thank local residents for their assistance in helping us arrest him. Burglary is one of the most serious crimes that we deal with, and we are reliant on the continued support of the public to bring those responsible to justice. I would like to urge people to remain vigilant and report anyone acting suspiciously in their area. If you have any information about burglaries please contact us on 101. If you see or hear a burglary taking place, call 999 immediately".



Some of the fine things Safer Brentwood and Neighbourhood Watch offer to Brentwood's residents.



Peter Salmon with the outgoing Mayor of Brentwood, Councillor Vicky Davies, receiving his Civic Award.

A huge congratulations to Peter Salmon on receiving the Civic Award for Services to the Community. Peter and his wife Norma deserve every bit of praise they have had. Tracey Lilley, Community Safety Manager said "I could not have delivered half of what I do without the help from Peter. He deserves more praise than he gets and he is no doubt an asset to the community". Peter has volunteered with Neighbourhood Watch for approximately seven years and has made a huge difference in Brentwood. Thank you!

## Quote of the Month

*"Anyone who has never made a mistake has never tried anything new"*

**Albert Einstein**

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## What's up next?

**Senior Safety Road Shows** will be taking place in 2015. The CSP will be visiting various residential homes, coffee mornings and other elderly groups to continue to help the Brentwood residents feel safer.

**Keep Safe** expansion is taking place in 2016. All the partners are getting together to discuss how best to expand the project and evolve it to meet the needs of the Brentwood residents. With this in mind a 'year on' event will be taking place in Brentwood High Street this June. Keep Safe partners are also looking to target the shops in Shenfield.

**Police Street Meets** are taking place on a regular basis. Please visit the Essex Police website for more information as to when street meets are taking place.

**Speedwatch** training is taking place on Wednesday 1 July at 3pm. Keith Smith from Essex Police Casualty Reduction Section will be training around 20 residents at the Town Hall to use a speed gun and to educate them further about the dangers of speeding

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## Newsletter

Thank you for reading our newsletter. If you would like to receive the newsletter directly please contact Daniel Cannon or it can be found online at [www.saferbrentwood.com](http://www.saferbrentwood.com)

If you have any requests for what you would like to see in the newsletter please email Daniel Cannon.

Thank you!

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