



Welcome to Safer Brentwood!!

Safer Brentwood website is now live!!!

Welcome to the new Safer Brentwood website.

This new website has been updated using a modern design. It is built using the latest web technologies to provide a fresh look and feel. Its responsive framework has been built to be mobile friendly and available on all devices.

It uses a sophisticated content management system that makes it very simple to add features and sections to the website. It also ensures that only dedicated users can alter information and data.

It has a site wide search facility so users can find what they need simply and quickly.

The CSP use Twitter regularly, therefore a Twitter feed has been included on the homepage. This should help to increase the social media integration. One of the Community Safety Partnership priorities is to engage with the community. The CSP do this by engaging with the public face to face as well as by social media. The CSP is aiming to increase its social media presence.

This new website has all the above plus much more. If there is anything you would like to see or would like explained, please contact Daniel Cannon by email or by telephone daniel.cannon@brentwood.gov.uk or 01277 312692.

Firefighters and Police Officers take to the pitch for a good cause

Firefighters and police officers from across Essex went head-to-head in a football match to raise awareness of domestic abuse.

The game, which the fire service won on penalties after a 5-5 draw, raised money for Changing Pathways, a domestic abuse charity working across Essex to support people who are currently or have previously experienced domestic abuse.

Now in its ninth year, the match supported Domestic Violence Awareness Week, an annual week of activity to raise awareness, spark conversation and show solidarity with survivors of domestic violence.

Each player paid £5, which was donated to the group, along with donations from the public and money raised from a raffle.

Pc Nicola Pain, who helped organise the event, said: "We would like to thank everyone who joined forces to make the match a great success. We are pleased to have raised £350 on the day and hope with the awareness generated, this will encourage anyone experiencing domestic abuse to seek help and support."

For more information about Changing Pathways, please visit: <http://changingpathways.org/>

Upcoming events

- 16 days of action against domestic violence
- Drink & Drug Drive Awareness Campaign
- Speedwatch
- Local assessment process
- Christmas festivities

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

Priorities 2016/17

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



Speedwatch Training

A Community Speedwatch training session has been arranged for Thursday 8 December 2016 at the Town Hall in Brentwood. The training will take place at 2pm and last for around 2 hours.

The Speedwatch scheme allows the public to get actively involved in monitoring the speed of vehicles travelling through their neighbourhood. It is used in areas where speeding has been identified.

Volunteers are trained to use speed indicator devices which displays vehicle speed.

If you would like to sign up to the Speedwatch scheme and receive training please email speedwatch@brentwood.gov.uk



Lighting Up Brentwood & Shenfield Christmas Fayre

This year's Lighting Up Brentwood is on Saturday 26 November 2016 from 1pm-5.30pm. The event will take place in Brentwood High Street with the lights being switched on at 5pm.

There will be variety of things available, from food and drink, small fair rides, street performers, choirs and bands as well as SANTA!

This year will see a slightly different Shenfield Christmas Fayre as the event doesn't follow on from Brentwood Lighting up, but is on Sunday 4 December 2016 from 1pm-5pm.

There will not be a full road closure this year, but will still see an ice rink, various rides, food and drink, choirs, gift stalls and street performers all taking place around the Hutton Road area.

The CSP look forward to seeing you all at both of these events. Merry Christmas.



Drink and Drug Awareness

Every year Essex Police along with the Safer Essex Roads Partnership participate in the national drink drive campaign.

This year's Drink and Drug Drive Awareness Campaign will take place in Brentwood High Street on Thursday 8 December from 9am until 1pm.

The event will see the likes of Brentwood CSP, Essex Police, Essex Fire and Rescue Service, Essex Casualty Reduction Team and Neighbourhood Watch.



This will be the third year in a row that Brentwood will have a 'smashed' up car from a real road collision and the Community Wheels bus outside M&S.

On the day, officers of the above partnerships will be available to talk to the public as well as give out information on road safety, the Highway Code and signpost where people can get help.

Picture: Last year's drink and drug drive awareness campaign in Brentwood High Street.

Local Assessment Process

The Brentwood Community Safety Partnership (CSP) have allocated funding to allow for a Local Assessment Process (LAP) to be undertaken in the borough. LAPs were introduced by the Home Office as part of the toolkit for Ending Gang and Youth Violence (EGYV) - the national strategy to tackle gangs and serious youth violence.

It will assist the CSP in terms of building a bigger picture of the problem locally and will increase our intelligence. It will also help us explore the issues in more detail, identify effective practice, highlight barriers to local understanding and implement an effective response.

The outcome of the LAP process will be relayed to the CSP and enable all partners to get a firm understanding of the arising issues around gangs across Essex and any threat to Brentwood.

The LAP process took place on Thursday 17 November and saw the likes of Essex Police, local schools, housing providers, Brentwood Borough Council staff, Social Services, Essex County Fire and Rescue and many more attend.

Over the course of a day a team of expert interviewers facilitated the focus groups which lasted an hour.

If you would like anymore information in regards to this process, please contact Tracey Lilley on 01277 312644 or by email tracey.lilley@brentwood.gov.uk

Suspected loan shark arrested

A 53-year-old man from King's Lynn has been arrested on suspicion of illegal money lending and money laundering.

The England Illegal Money Lending Team working in partnership with Norfolk County Council Trading Standards and Norfolk Constabulary executed a warrant at a home address seizing electronic devices.

The suspect is currently in custody and being questioned by officers from the team.

Brian Chatten, Community Safety and Fair Trading Manager at Norfolk County Council Trading Standards said:

"Trading Standards supports and works with our partners the England Illegal Money Lending Team who do a great job in hunting down loan sharks and bringing them to justice. The service supported their launch of the Illegal Money Lending Charter in the town earlier in March this year. This arrest shows how the team tracks down and takes effective action against unscrupulous loan sharks who perpetuate poverty and misery in disadvantaged people's lives."

Tony Quigley, Head of Service for the National Illegal Money Lending Team, said:

"We will continue to work to combat loan sharks. They can cause untold misery to the most disadvantaged in our communities. We would urge anyone with information about loan sharking or victims of loan sharks to contact the team on 0300 555 2222."

Nationally, Illegal Money Lending Teams have secured more than 351 prosecutions for illegal money lending and related activity, leading to nearly 296 years' worth of custodial sentences. They have written off £63.5 million worth of illegal debt and helped over 25,500 people.

To report a loan shark:

Call the 24/7 confidential hotline 0300 555 2222

Text a report to 078600 22116

E-mail reportaloanshark@stoploansharks.gov.uk

Private message us on

www.facebook.com/stoploansharksproject

16 Days of action against domestic violence

16 days of action against domestic violence is aimed at businesses to support them to take action against domestic abuse and violence. Employers have a legal obligation to assess dynamic risk and support the health and safety and wellness of their employees.

Companies can do more to aid their employees who endure domestic violence, to train those who witness it, and to protect staff as a whole, with the goal of securing safety and mitigating financial loss.

Spanning across 16 days from 25th November to 10th December, a theme will be identified each day to explore the various forms of domestic violence. In doing so, the workplace will be better equipped to acknowledge the signs that indicate it may be going on.

The decision to make the event span from 25th November to 10th December was deliberate as to include three other major events: International Human Rights Defenders Day (29th November), World Aids Day (1st December) and the anniversary of the Montreal École Polytechnique Massacre (6th December). This is to highlight the connection between human rights and violence against women.



Peter's Points

Peter Salmon is Brentwood Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator and these are his top tips for staying safe this month.

1. At the door or on the 'phone - remember, it's your right to say NO!
2. Count to 10 and think before you click/act.
3. Essex is 5th highest for Cyber Crime, stay aware.
4. Free Wi-fi in cafe's etc is not secure - be wary when using.
5. Check and update your passwords regularly, do not have them all the same.
6. It's easy for fraudsters to fake Caller I.D. when phoning you.
7. Check your router log regularly
8. Router by the window with the password on the back facing outwards? Easy hacking! Turn it around or cover it!

Quote of the Month

"No matter what people tell you, words and ideas can change the world"

Robin Williams

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Community Through
Effective Partnerships**

What's up next?

Christmas is only round the corner. Be prepared for cold weather when driving or walking. Merry Christmas!

Senior Safety Road Shows will be taking place in 2016 and 2017. The CSP will be visiting various residential homes, coffee mornings and other elderly groups to continue to help the Brentwood residents feel safer and more informed. Please contact the CSP if you would like a road show in your area.

Brentwood Lighting Up is taking place on Saturday 26th November between 1pm-5.30pm.

Shenfield Christmas Fayre is on Sunday 4th December between 1pm-5pm.

Drink and Drug Awareness Campaign will be taking place on Thursday 8th December from 8pm.

16 days of action against domestic violence starts on Friday 25th November. The CSP will use the 16 days to concentrate on promoting this awareness via fill roll campaigns, newsletters, social media and will have a stand in Brentwood High Street on Friday 2nd December at 9am.

Please don't forget to visit www.saferbrentwood.com for more information.

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