

# eWatch

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Your monthly newsletter on policing activity in Fiveways and Preston



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Welcome to the **May** update of the Fiveways and Preston Park e-watch newsletter. We aim to keep you abreast of current issues for your area and the latest crime figures and locations. If you know of anyone that would like to be added to the scheme, please get them to pop me an email.

If you wish to discuss local policing issues you can email me directly on the address above.

To report an emergency call  
**999**

To report a non-emergency call  
**0845 6070999**

Remember, you can also visit us on the internet at [www.sussex.police.uk](http://www.sussex.police.uk) where you can check local crime information and find out about events taking place in your area.

I hope that you find the newsletter useful and look forward to meeting you soon when I'm out and about in Fiveways and Preston Park  
Best wishes,  
Erica and Steve

## Getting involved in your community

Want to know more about what is happening in the area and the locally identified priorities that we are tackling? Then come along to the next Local Action Team (LAT) meeting.

The idea of the LAT is to address problems of crime and disorder at a very local level and to work with residents and partner agencies to find a sustainable solution.

New members are always needed and you are urged to attend your local meeting. It need not be the case that you have a particular concern and it could just be that you feel you may have something to offer. Why not come along to your next meeting and find out more.

The next meeting of the Fiveways and Preston LAT will take place at St Mathias Church Hall on **Thursday 7 July at 1830hrs.**

## Good news

Following information received from the community, we've again executed a positive drugs warrant in the Dyke Road Drive area whereby cannabis cultivation equipment and mature plants were seized.

Please continue to pass on any concerns as we always treat information seriously.

Things to look out for include: Windows sealed up or all the curtains in an address permanently shut, equipment such as large amounts of fertiliser, grow bags, high power lamps and the like being taken into an address and a pungent smell of herbal cannabis

## Come and meet us at a street briefing

PCSO HARKNESS – Sunday 5 June at 1030am at Blakers Park Café  
PCSO WILLIAMS - Thurs 23 June at 1030am to midday at the Chalet Café Preston Park.

## Rogue Traders

With the sun shining and the garden growing nicely, it may well be that you decide to employ the services of a gardener or someone to cut back overgrown trees and hedges. If you do so, please be mindful of employing reputable local companies and to refuse the services of anyone cold calling at your door.

Many such cold callers will simply dump the waste they've generated in local beauty spots and if traced back to your garden, you yourself could be fined. Every waste carrier should have a valid licence and you should ask to check this, no reputable gardener would have a problem with you doing so. You can even do so online via the Environment Agency website.

We're working closely with Trading Standards and Cityclean to tackle Rogue Traders so please pass on any information that you have.

<b>Crime Figures</b>	<b>March</b>	<b>April</b>	<b>May</b>
<b>Burglary</b>	<b>4(3OTD)</b>	<b>6(3OTD)</b>	<b>4(1OTD)</b>
<b>Vehicle Crime</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>Criminal Damage</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Total Crime</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>50</b>

### **Burglary**

06/05/11 - Beaconsfield Villas  
12/05/11 - Preston Road  
16/05/11 - Balfour Road  
21/05/11 - Havelock Road  
13/05/11 - York Villas - bicycle stolen from shed (OTD)

### **Vehicle Crime**

04/05/11 - Compton Road - Break into car  
14/05/11 - Varndean Road - break into car  
21/05/11 - Beaconsfield Road - theft of bag from unattended motor vehicle  
22/05/11 - Ditchling Rise - theft of car  
22/05/11 - Port Hall Road - theft of SatNav  
27/05/11 - Ditchling Road - stolen car  
27/05/11 - Preston Park Avenue - theft of equipment from car

### **Criminal damage**

03/05/11 - Dyke Road - Dented van panel  
03/05/11 - Stanford Avenue - Broken window to dwelling  
08/05/11 - Beaconsfield Villas - Broken window to dwelling  
10/05/11 - Springfield Road - Broken window to dwelling  
12/05/11 - Tongdean Rise - theft of lead from roof  
14/05/11 - Brigden Street - Attempt stolen motorcycle causing damage  
24/05/11 - Havelock Road - Smashed window  
25/05/11 - Eldred Avenue - Window smashed at commercial premises  
25/05/11 - Regency Court/Withead Rise - Garage door damaged  
26/05/11 - Preston Drove - Several cars damaged by group of youths  
26/05/11 - Harrington Road - Damaged front door  
27/05/11 - Bowling Greens/Preston Drove - Vandalism of pavilion  
28/05/11 - Stanford Road - Wing mirror damaged  
28/05/11 - Dyke Road - dented car panel. Smashed light.  
29/05/11 - Preston Road - Commercial premises - Window smashed  
30/05/11 - Preston Park Avenue - smashed window of car