

Tendring Police

September 2025



Monthly message

Hello, and thank you for taking the time to read this month's local update.

With schools returning and the weather beginning to turn, it is clear that summer is now behind us. As always, there has been a great deal happening across the district of Tendring—many of which you will read about in this edition, including the Clacton Airshow. Once again, the event was a tremendous success and a shining example of the strong community spirit we are fortunate to have here in Tendring.

Our teams have been busy. Colleagues in CID, supported by the Neighbourhood Policing Team, recently charged a male in connection with a series of robberies in the Harwich area, and another male in the Clacton area. Incidents like these are understandably concerning, especially when they occur in quick succession. However, we acted swiftly to identify the suspects, bring charges, and place them before the courts.

We also responded to a serious fire on West Avenue in Clacton last month. A male has since been charged with arson with intent to endanger life. These incidents are deeply distressing, particularly for those directly affected—residents and businesses alike. I know the Clacton community will, as always, come together to support those impacted. I'd like to extend my sincere thanks to all emergency services and partners, including Tendring District Council, for their efforts on the night and in the days that followed.

As we move into autumn, with darker evenings and wetter roads, I'd like to remind everyone to ensure their vehicles are roadworthy and to drive with care. Essex has sadly seen a high number of people killed or seriously injured on the roads this year—an absolute tragedy. Essex Police, alongside the Safer Essex Roads Partnership, continues to work hard to address this.

Recently, we deployed Operation Topaz in the district—a joint initiative between policing and government that brings road policing units into targeted areas for intensive enforcement. During the operation in Tendring, 12 people were arrested, 114 vehicles were stopped, 42 tickets were issued for various offences, and 15 vehicles were seized. I regularly receive feedback about speeding and dangerous driving in Tendring, and this is just one of several measures we're implementing to tackle the issue.

Thank you for reading this edition. Your continued support and engagement are greatly appreciated.

Chief Inspector Stuart Austin

District Commander Tendring



Clacton Airshow 2025: A Soaring Success

That's a wrap on the Clacton Airshow, and what a show it was! Over two thrilling days, the skies above Clacton were filled with breathtaking aerial displays, while the ground buzzed with community spirit and excitement.

Thanks to the incredible efforts of Tendring District Council, this year's event delivered yet another unforgettable experience. From vintage aircraft to modern marvels, the spectacle kept eyes turned skyward and hearts racing.

Day 2 brought even more energy, and we've captured some of our favourite moments in photos that truly showcase the magic of the event.

A huge thank you to everyone who visited our stand, stopped for a chat, and helped make the airshow so special. Your enthusiasm and support were felt throughout, you were a fantastic audience, and we loved every minute of it.

Special recognition goes to our dedicated Special Constables, whose support of Tendring Police throughout the event was invaluable. Their presence helped ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for all.



Photographs from the Airshow











While out and about today, PCSOs were approached by a grandmother who asked if her granddaughter could sit in the police car.

Harriet, who turned two (Happy Birthday!), was full of smiles and excitement as she climbed into the front seat.

It's always lovely to share moments like these with our community.



Officers from the Harwich Neighbourhood Policing Team had the pleasure of visiting Tommy and his family to help celebrate his 6th birthday!

Tommy's mum got in touch to let us know how much he loves the police and dreamed of meeting some officers, and we were thrilled to make that wish come true.

Tommy explored our equipment, sat in the police car, and chatted with the team. We think we might have a future officer in the making!

Thanks for letting us be part of your special day, Tommy, we hope it was amazing!



Chief Inspector's Tour Continues in Jaywick

Although local councillors were unable to attend the scheduled meeting in Jaywick, Chief Inspector Stuart Austin continued his visit and had the pleasure of meeting the dedicated volunteers at the Brooklands Community Shop. Their commitment to supporting the local community was a highlight of the day.

The Chief Inspector's tour across the Tendring District is ongoing, with the next stop scheduled for Brightlingsea on Tuesday 16 September.



BROOKLANDS COMMUNITY SHOP

12 Brooklands Gardens, Jaywick, Essex, C015 2JP
*Affordable household items and groceries
for the local community.*

Opening Times
Wednesday - 11am - 2pm
Thursday - 10am - 1pm
Friday - 10am - 1pm

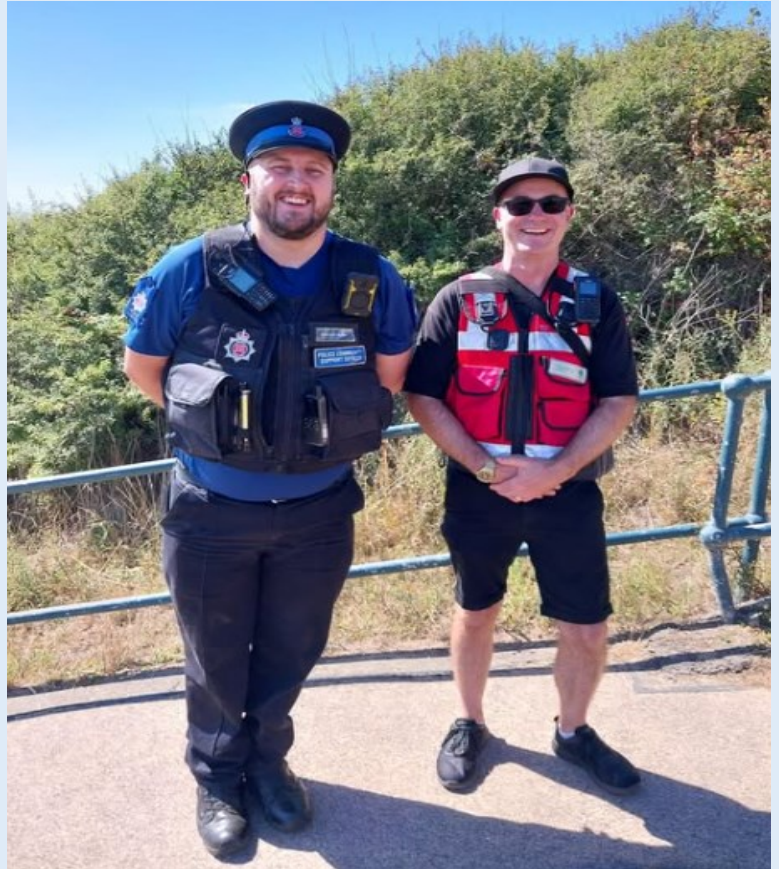
Hot Drinks & Cake Available Thursday & Friday



A Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) from Frinton & Walton teamed up with the Tendring District Council Community Ambassador for high-visibility patrols throughout the area.

These joint patrols are part of an ongoing initiative to address antisocial behaviour, connect with residents, and reinforce community safety. The visible presence of both police and council representatives helps build trust and encourages open dialogue with the public.

A big thank you to everyone who took the time to speak with the officers during the patrols, your feedback plays a vital role in shaping local priorities and guiding future action.



On Sunday 24 August, officers intercepted a vehicle on Jaywick Lane heading into Clacton, removing yet another uninsured car from the roads.

The driver, a repeat offender, has been reported to court for multiple offences, including driving without a valid licence (provisional), no insurance, and no MOT. The vehicle was seized immediately at the roadside.

This action forms part of ongoing efforts to keep our roads safe and hold repeat offenders accountable.



The Neighbourhood Policing Team Town Centre Sergeant has been out on proactive patrols across Clacton, engaging with the public and providing a visible presence to deter crime and antisocial behaviour.

Covering key areas like the town centre and seafront, these patrols help build community trust and ensure quick responses to local concerns.



On Sunday, 31 August, officers from the Clacton Neighbourhood Policing Team attended the annual Country Fayre Weekend in Thorrington.

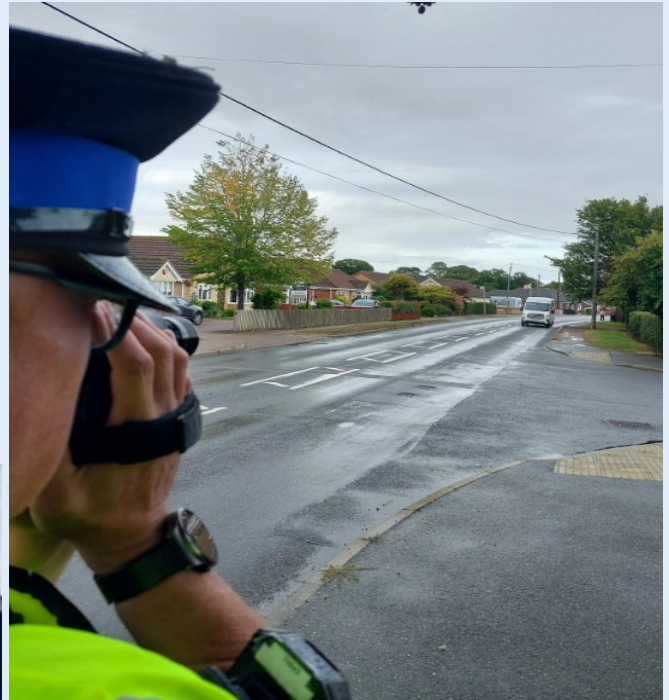
They spent time engaging with visitors throughout the day and even had the unique opportunity to walk alpacas across the site, much to the delight of attendees.



Following reports of speeding along Colchester Road in Thorington, PCSOs carried out a speed check on 100 vehicles on the afternoon of Tuesday 2 September.

Out of the 100 vehicles monitored, two were found to be exceeding the 30mph speed limit, with the highest recorded speed being 39mph.

Thank you to all drivers who respected the speed limit and helped keep the area safe.



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ZERO**
NO ROAD DEATHS

I've signed the Essex Vision Zero pledge. Have you?



SIGN THE VISION ZERO PLEDGE

Visit: <https://saferessexroads.org/visionzero/pledge/>



Together in strength: Supporting mental health in migrant communities

On Thursday 4 September, PCSO Stevie and Community Safety & Engagement Officer PC Nikki Heath joined the Pamoja Project group, a vibrant initiative dedicated to improving mental health outcomes for migrant communities in Essex.

The project is a collaborative effort between (AFIUK) African Families in the UK and (RAMA) Refugee, Asylum Seeker & Migrant Action. Together,

these organisations have created a transformative space where migrants, refugees, and asylum seekers can find support, build resilience, and foster a sense of belonging.

Recognising the unique challenges faced by these communities, the Pamoja Project focuses on enhancing wellbeing, promoting social integration, and empowering individuals through connection and skill-building. The name Pamoja, meaning “together” in Swahili, beautifully captures the spirit of unity and shared purpose that drives the initiative.

By attending the session, local officers were able to engage directly with participants, listen to their experiences, and strengthen ties between policing and the communities they serve, whilst reinforcing the message that safety, support, and wellbeing are shared responsibilities.



A patrol with a splash of tradition

On Tuesday 9 September, while carrying out proactive patrols in Brightlingsea, the Clacton neighbourhood policing team engaged with the local community and monitored key areas as part of their ongoing visibility work.

During the patrol, officers came across a newly arrived boat undergoing a renaming ceremony.

Maritime traditions and superstitions are deeply rooted in coastal communities, making moments like these particularly significant.



On Thursday 28 August, the Essex Police Marine Unit conducted a joint patrol with Tendring District Council's ASB officers around Harwich Harbour, following a recent rise in reports of antisocial behaviour involving youths jumping from the quayside, along with associated noise and swearing.

The Marine Unit have increased their presence in the area and are working in partnership with the local council and Harwich Haven Authority (Harbourmaster) to engage with young people, raise awareness of the dangers, and promote appropriate reporting methods.

While moored alongside Ha'penny Pier, officers also took the opportunity to speak with visitors and local businesses, listening to their concerns and highlighting the various ways to report issues.



Tendring DAIT update September 2025

Greetings one and all. Well, the 'BER' months are now here, the end of the summer is upon us and we slowly move towards the autumn season – with leaves beginning to show brown on the trees. This summer has been hailed as the hottest on record in the UK.

We have had an extremely busy month. Our officers/staff have been battling the increased demand of the summer and working tirelessly to safeguard the vulnerable. This includes by both assisting victim survivors by putting them in touch with agencies that can assist with their safety planning, life planning and wellbeing, as well as using every tool in our toolbox to ensure that those who break the law are put in front of the courts to answer for their actions.



In the media recently, domestic violence has been described as an epidemic among our population. One publication called domestic violence a 'National Emergency.' Our team works directly to target high risk perpetrators and support high risk victim survivors. We take great pride in what we do and feel that our work does contribute to our society being that little bit safer. There is still a long way to go, and more people to be reached. The statistics from policing researchers say that the first engagement of a police officer with a victim survivor of domestic abuse will normally happen after multiple incidents of violence have already occurred. For that reason, we place great importance on all of the interactions we have with the public and regularly remind ourselves that what is the everyday for us; is the worst day for those we speak to.

Our team have had some brilliant results in court this month, with more early guilty pleas entered which means that the victim survivor will not have to give evidence. This is testament to the strength of evidence and skill of presentation that the Officer in Case has prepared.

My message this month is; you can contact us, you can speak to us, you can trust us – we will help you.

Many victims aren't aware of the help available. Police officers play a vital role by sharing information about legal rights, support services, and safety options. Empowering survivors with knowledge helps them make informed choices about their future.

As always – we will continue to do our best to safeguard/support the vulnerable and bring the perpetrators of domestic violence to justice. The people of Clacton, Colchester and Braintree can be reassured that we are here, and we are active in our communities.

Molestation orders are protective and preventative measures designed to safeguard individuals from domestic abuse. They also give police the power to act if the conditions of the order are breached.

These orders are often issued in partnership with The Next Chapter, a charity supporting people affected by domestic abuse across Tendring, Colchester, Maldon, Chelmsford, Braintree, and Uttlesford. Their services are free and confidential. Need support? Visit thenextchapter.org.uk You can also reach Essex Police online:

www.essex.police.uk Call 101 (non-emergency) or 999 (emergency)

If you believe you're a victim of domestic abuse and want to speak with our team confidentially, call 101 or complete the online form at Report Domestic Abuse, www.essex.police.uk The form takes 5–10 minutes, so please ensure you're in a safe place before starting.

Until next month, stay safe & make good choices!

T/DC ELSEY – COLCHESTER DAIT HUB



Essex Police IAG—Independent Advisory Group

A message from the Tendring's IAG Chair.....

I hope you are all well, my name is (Onche) Godwin Daudu, I am a programme Lead for African Families in the UK (AFIUK) CIC.

I have been involved with the Independent Advisory Group IAG for over 3 years now and I am extremely proud to be the chair of the Tendring branch.



I hope you all had an enjoyable summer break, and that the new school year has begun smoothly—despite the familiar challenges of school runs and getting our young ones ready each day. From a parent's perspective, this can be a demanding time, and we must continue to ensure the safety and well-being of our children as they travel to and from school.

The Clacton Air Show was once again a great success, and we are grateful to Essex Police and supporting forces for their visible presence and efforts in ensuring the event remained safe and enjoyable for all. Special thanks to our District Commander, Stuart Austin, and his team for their continued dedication and service.

Discussions surrounding immigration continue to dominate the national conversation. While these debates can at times be contentious, I am pleased to note that our community in Tendring has remained largely peaceful. This is due in no small part to the professionalism of our local police, as well as the respectful manner in which residents have expressed their views.

We must remember that while we all have the right to voice our opinions, we also have a responsibility to do so within the boundaries of the law. Peaceful protest and civil discourse are fundamental democratic rights, but any form of unlawful behaviour cannot be justified. As always, ignorance of the law is not an excuse.

I encourage residents to engage with Essex Police through their dedicated Tendring Facebook page and the Project Servator initiative, which offers excellent insight into community policing in action. These platforms offer a valuable opportunity for residents to share feedback, raise concerns, and collaborate with the police on local issues.

While there will always be differing views on certain decisions or policies, it is important to use the appropriate channels to raise concerns. Open dialogue and mutual respect go a long way in building a stronger, safer community.

Tendring, like many districts, faces its own challenges, but it remains a beautiful and vibrant place to live. Regardless of our backgrounds or origins, we all have a shared responsibility to contribute to a peaceful, respectful, and law-abiding community.

Godwin Daudu



Tammy is our Fraud Prevention Coordinator for the Tendring District and regularly visits community and support groups in the Tendring area, talking about fraud and scam prevention. If you know a group that you feel would benefit from a visit, please email Tammy at:

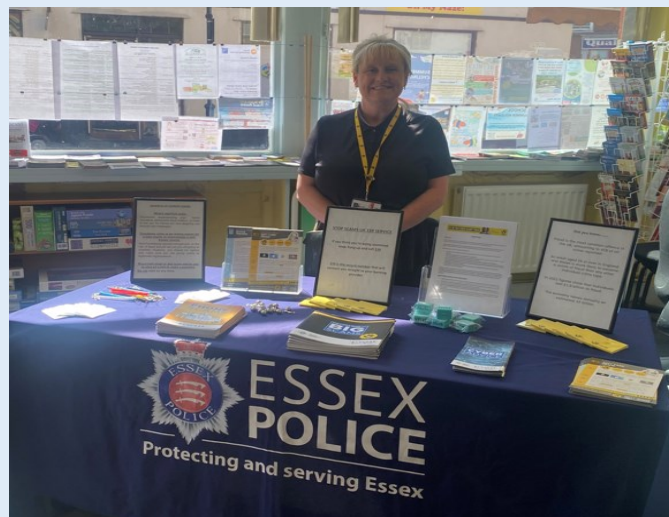
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Tammy's top scam alert this month!

Romance Scams

More than £99.4 million was lost to romance fraud in 2024 across the UK. Romance fraud remains a high-risk fraud, impacting those targeted financially, emotionally, and psychologically.

- Verify photos: Use a reverse image search to ensure the photos are real.
- Be suspicious: If they start asking for money, especially if you have not met in person.
- Talk to others: Speak to your friends or family - do not keep them a secret.
- Beware of celebrity Romance Scams online, just because it looks and sounds like the person, it may not be them, due to the use of deepfake and voice cloning which means criminals can look like and sound like the people they are impersonating.
- Never send money, gift cards or sim cards to a person you have only ever met online, no matter how desperate their need is.



Tammy's events arranged in Tendring

Wednesday 17 September – 10.30am - Harwich Guild at The United Services Club, Barrack Lane, Harwich, CO12 3NS.

Thursday 18 September – 10am to 1pm – St Helena Coffee Morning, Walton Community Forum, High Street, Walton on the Naze, CO14 8BD.

Wednesday 1 October – 10am – 2pm - Tendring International Day of the Older Person, Princes Theatre, Clacton on Sea, CO15 1SE.

Thursday 16 October – 10am to 12pm - Walton Community Forum, (Covid vaccination clinic) High Street, Walton on the Naze, CO14 8BD.

Tuesday 21 October—10.30am—Lawford Parish Community Hub, Unit 1 The Avenue, Lawford, CO112FR.



Spotlight on Romance Fraud— Special library events this September

Essex Police fraud and scam prevention team are excited to be collaborating with Becky Holmes, author of the eye-opening book “Keanu Reeves Is Not in Love with You”, which delves into the world of romance fraud with wit and insight.

As part of our ongoing efforts to raise awareness around this growing issue, we'll be hosting events in three local libraries during the week commencing 22nd September. While Becky will be joining us in Chelmsford Library, the furthest north on her tour we'll still be sharing valuable information and resources at all participating locations.

These sessions are a great opportunity to learn how to spot the signs of romance scams and protect yourself and your loved ones.

ROMANCE & RED FLAGS

UNMASKING ROMANCE FRAUD
WITH AUTHOR BECKY HOLMES AND ESSEX POLICE

Three evening events are being held at local libraries across Essex to offer helpful advice on romance fraud. With experts from Essex Police and author Becky Holmes sharing tips on how to spot common scams and protect yourself from being deceived.

KEANU REEVES IS NOT IN LOVE WITH YOU
THE MURKY WORLD OF ONLINE ROMANCE FRAUD
BECKY HOLMES

JOIN US AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS

23 RD SEP	24 TH SEP	25 TH SEP
6PM - 7:30PM	5:30PM - 7PM	5:30PM - 7PM
WESTCLIFF LIBRARY SOUTHEND	GRAYS LIBRARY THURROCK	CHELMSFORD LIBRARY
Southend-on-Sea City Council	thurrock.gov.uk	Essex County Council Libraries

*If you know a group that would benefit from a visit, please get in touch with Tammy
at: 42079913@essex.police.uk*



The Tendring Community Let's Talk meets during September / October 2025

Please come along if you have a questions about crime in the area or wish to make us aware of issues affecting the community. All Welcome, no appointment needed!

Please also see the dates & locations advertised on the Essex Police website under 'Your Area' <https://www.essex.police.uk/area/your-area>

In Your Area



Tuesday 16 September—10.00 to 11.00 - McDonalds, Hartley Brook Road, Clacton on Sea, CO16 9FZ.

Wednesday 17 September – 10.30 to 11.30 – Walk & Talk, Dovercourt High Street, Dovercourt, CO12 3AJ.

Wednesday 17 September – 14.00 to 15.00 - Costa Coffee, T Grove Brook Park West, Clacton on Sea, CO16 9FY.

Thursday 18 September – 10.00 to 12.00 - Walton Forum, St Helena 'More Cake the Merrier' event, Walton High Street, Walton on the Naze, CO14 8AG.

Saturday 20 September – 10.00 to 12.00 – Tendring Council Skate Park Jam event, Hall Lane, Walton on the Naze, CO14 8QA.

Monday 22 September – 15.00 to 16.00 - Poundland, 43-45 Pier Ave, Clacton on Sea CO15 1QE

Wednesday 24 September—10.00 to 11.00 - Morrisons Supermarket, Centenary way, Little Clacton, CO16 9SB.

Wednesday 24 September – 10.00 to 11.00 – The Village Hall, Clacton Road, St Osyth, Clacton on Sea, CO16 8PE.

Thursday 25 September – 10.00 to 11.00 – The Brooklands Community Shop, 12 Brooklands Gardens, Jaywick, CO15 2JP.

Thursday 25 September – 11.30 to 12.30 - - Kennedy Way Community Garden, Kennedy Way, Clacton on Sea, CO15 4AB.

Thursday 25 September— 10.00 to 11.00 - McDonalds, Hartley Brook Road, Clacton on Sea, CO16 9FZ.

Thursday 25 September—10.00 to 11.00 - Emmanuel Church, New Pier St, Walton on the Naze, CO14 8EB.

Friday 26 September—10.00 to 12.00 - Walton Foodbank, Standley Road, Walton on the Naze, CO14 8PT.

Friday 26 September—10.30 to 11.30— Walk & Talk at Dovercourt Market, High Street, Dovercourt, CO12 3AJ.

Saturday 27 September – 12.00 to 17.00 - Community Open Day, Lawford Parish Community Hub, Unit 1, The Avenue, Lawford CO11 2FR.

Monday 29 September – 10.00 to 11.00 - Poundland, 43-45 Pier Ave, Clacton on Sea CO15 1QE.

Monday 29 September – 10.00 to 12.00 – Men's Walk and talk, leaving Frinton Community Centre, The Triangle Shopping Centre, Frinton on Sea CO13 0AU.

Wednesday 1 October – 15.00 to 16.00 - Poundland, 43-45 Pier Avenue, Clacton on Sea, CO15 1QE.



Friday 3 October - 10.00 to 11.00 - Morrisons Supermarket, Centenary way, Little Clacton, CO16 9SB.

Friday 3 October - 10.00 to 12.00 - Walton Foodbank, Standley Road, Walton on the Naze, CO14 8PT.

Saturday 4 October - 10.00 to 11.00—McDonalds, Hartley Brook Road, Clacton on Sea, CO16 9FZ.

Sunday 5 October - 10.00 to 11.00 - Asda Supermarket, Bull Hill Road, Clacton on Sea, CO15 4AU.

Monday 6 October – 10.00 to 12.00 – Walton Forum, Walton High Street, Walton on the Naze, CO14 8AG.

Tuesday 7 October – 10.00 to 12.00 – Oasis Café, Frinton Free Church, Connaught Avenue, Frinton on Sea, CO13 9PW.

Tuesday 7 October – 10.00 to 11.00 - Morrisons Supermarket, Waterglade Retail Park, Old Road, Clacton on Sea, CO15 1HX.

Friday 10 October – 15.00 to 16.00 - Costa Coffee, Waterglade Retail Park, Next, Unit 3, Old Road, Clacton on Sea, CO15 1HX.

Sunday 12 October - 10.00 to 11.00 - Morrisons Supermarket, Centenary way, Little Clacton, CO16 9SB.

Monday 13 October - 10.00 to 12.00 - Walton Community Forum, High Street, Walton on the Naze CO14 8AG.

Tuesday 14 October—10.00 to 11.00 - The Council Offices, Victoria Place, Brightlingsea, CO7 0BP.

Friday 17 October – 10.00 to 12.00 - Walton Foodbank, Standley Road, Walton on the Naze, CO14 8PT.

Tuesday 21 October – 10.30 – Fraud Prevention Talk with Tammy, Lawford Parish Community Hub, 1 The Avenue, Lawford, CO11 2FR

Tuesday 21 October - 10.00 to 11.00 - Morrisons Supermarket, Centenary way, Little Clacton, CO16 9SB.

Wednesday 22 October—10.00 to 11.00 - McDonalds, Hartley Brook Road, Clacton on Sea, CO16 9FZ.

Wednesday 22 October—14.00 to 15.00 - Sainsbury's Samson's Road, Brightlingsea, CO7 0RN.

Thursday 23 October—10.00 to 11.00 - Emmanuel Church, New Pier St, Walton on the Naze, CO14 8EB

Friday 24 October – 10.00 to 11.00 - Poundland, 43-45 Pier Ave, Clacton on Sea, CO15 1QE.

Monday 27 October – 15.00 to 16.00 - Morrisons Supermarket, Waterglade Retail Park, Old Road, Clacton, CO15 1HX.



We are always looking for new locations, please let us know if you have somewhere you would like us to visit with a 'Let's Talk' event in Tendring or a local Community group where you can also receive crime prevention advice and speak to an officer in person.

Any suggestions can be sent to our dedicated email tendringNPT@essex.police.uk





You Said, We Did – Tendring District Update

At Tendring Police, we're committed to listening to your concerns and taking action to make our communities safer and stronger. Here's how we've responded to the issues raised across our towns and rural villages:

You Said: Antisocial behaviour in town centres and seafronts

We Did: We increased high-visibility patrols in hotspot areas including Clacton seafront, Harwich town centre, and Brightlingsea. We've worked closely with Tendring District Council and local businesses to tackle nuisance behaviour and improve public spaces.

You Said: Speeding in rural villages and across the district

We Did: We carried out speed checks in Thorrington and focused on tackling Fatal Four offences most likely to result in serious or fatal collisions in Clacton, in partnership with our Roads Policing Unit.

You Said: Concerns about drug activity

We Did: We executed warrants and disrupted suspected drug networks through intelligence-led operations.

You Said: You want to see us more

We Did: We've increased our presence at community meetings, local events, and Let's Talk sessions. We continue to share updates and safety advice through social media and local newsletters.

*We're here to listen, act, and support. If you have concerns or ideas, please reach out to your local neighbourhood policing team or attend one of our upcoming community events advertised in this publication and on our social media channel **#EPTendring**.*



The Older Persons Crucial Crew event, hosted by Tendring Community Safety Partnership (TCSP) and Tendring District Council (TDC), will take place at the Princes Theatre, Clacton Town Hall, Station Road, Clacton on Sea, CO15 1SE on **Wednesday 1 October from 10am to 3pm.**

The event will feature a range of organisations sharing advice on topics such as crime prevention, fire safety, and how to prepare for emergencies.

Community Voluntary Services Tendring will also be offering Winter Warmer packs to attendees who meet the eligibility criteria.

The event is free to attend and teas and coffees will be served on arrival.

Free parking is available for Tendring residents with a valid pass after 11am in the High Street and Wellesley Road car parks, both located near the Princes Theatre.

For more information please contact Nicola Baines on call 01255 686108 or email nbaines@tendringdc.gov.uk

The poster features a background image of an older man and a younger person smiling and holding hands. The text is overlaid on this image with various colored boxes and fonts. The main title 'Crucial Crew' is in large white font, followed by 'Event for Older Persons and their friends and families' in a smaller white font. Below this, a purple box contains the text 'Free safety information for the older person in the home and on the street'. A large blue box contains the date and time '10AM - 3PM | 1 OCT 2025'. Below the date box, a smaller blue box contains the location 'Princes Theatre | Town Hall | Clacton | CO15 1SE'. Further down, two paragraphs of text provide details about CVST offering Winter Warmer Packs and free parking for residents. At the bottom, a black box contains contact information for Nicola Baines. The footer includes logos for The Tendring Community Safety Partnership, Tendring District Council, and the Essex Police logo.

Crucial Crew
Event for Older Persons
and their friends and families

Free safety information for the older person in the home and on the street

10AM - 3PM | 1 OCT 2025

Princes Theatre | Town Hall | Clacton | CO15 1SE

CVST are offering Winter Warmer Packs to those who meet the eligibility criteria.

Remember, you can park for free with your Tendring residents pass after 11am in the High Street and Wellesley Road Car parks near the Princes Theatre.

For further information please contact Nicola Baines on 01255 686108 or email: nbaines@tendringdc.gov.uk

 The Tendring Community Safety Partnership

 **Tendring**
District Council





Raffles, games, crafts, plant sales and so much more!

Join CVST for their Kennedy Way Harvest Day. They will have our Kennedy Way Community Garden for all to join our celebration of the summer, on Wednesday 24th September at 10am - 2pm.

For more information contact Lynn on 07759 128447 or email lynn.reed-golden@cvstendring.org.uk.

Kennedy Way
Community Garden,
Kennedy Way,
Clacton, CO15 4AB



Community Garden Harvest Day

Wednesday 24th September 2025

CVST is hosting an open day to celebrate summer and its bounty.

10am - 2pm

Activities will include:

- Raffle
- Tombola
- Make a Scarecrow
- Guess the weight of the pumpkin
- Plant and craft sale
- Tea/Coffee and Cake



For more information contact Lynn:

 Lynn.Reed-Golden@cvstendring.org.uk  07759 128447



Domestic abuse changes a child's world.

It can leave lasting scars on their confidence, emotions, and relationships – even if they are never physically harmed. Fear, tension, and control in the home can make it hard for children to feel safe or trust others.

At Next Chapter, our Children & Young People Team helps them:

- ◆ Understand their feelings and know it's not their fault
- ◆ Learn about healthy relationships
- ◆ Build emotional resilience in safe spaces
- ◆ Find their voice and be heard

We also support parents, deliver trauma-informed programmes like [#TrueNotToxic](#), Hand in Hand & TRIBE, and provide refuge accommodation for families at crisis point.

Learn more on our website: <https://www.thenextchapter.org.uk/.../children-young-people>



Appeal—Can you help?

Officers investigating a serious collision between two cars on the A133 at Frating are appealing for witnesses or anyone with dashcam footage to come forward.

Police were called to the scene at around 5.20pm on Saturday 23 August.

The collision involved a silver Ford Mondeo and a blue Peugeot 307.

Two casualties suffered serious injuries, while one suffered minor injuries. They were left in the care of the ambulance service.

None of the injuries are believed to be life-threatening.

Anyone with information or footage which could assist us is urged to get in touch.

Please cite incident 926 of 23 August.

You can let us know by submitting a report on our website or by using our online Live Chat service which is available 24 hours-a-day, seven days-a-week.

Visit our website www.essex.police.uk/digital101 to find out more about our online reporting services.

Alternatively you can call 101. In an emergency always call 999.

If you would like to make an anonymous report you can contact independent charity [@Crimestoppers](#), by visiting their website or by calling 0800 555 111.



A photograph of a young man with glasses, wearing a plaid shirt, looking down at a smartphone in his hands. The background is dark and out of focus. Overlaid on the image is the text '“Is Crimestoppers really anonymous?”' in large, white, bold letters. Below this text is the text 'Yes. 100% anonymous. Always.' in red. At the bottom left, it says 'Tell us what you know, not who you are.' in white. At the bottom right, it says 'Crimestoppers. 0800 555 111' in red and white, followed by '100% anonymous. Always. crimestoppers-uk.org' in small white text.



Appeal—Can you help?

A man has died following a collision in Clacton on Saturday afternoon (6 September).

We were called to a single-vehicle collision in Bertram Avenue at about 12.45pm.

Despite the best efforts of paramedics and air ambulance crews, a 78-year-old was pronounced dead at the scene.

His family have been informed, and we are supporting them at this time.

We're asking for anyone with any information about this collision to get in touch quoting incident **566 of Saturday 6 September**.

You can let us know by submitting a report on our website or by using our online Live Chat service which is available 24 hours-a-day, seven days-a-week.

Visit our website www.essex.police.uk/digital101 to find out more about our online reporting services.

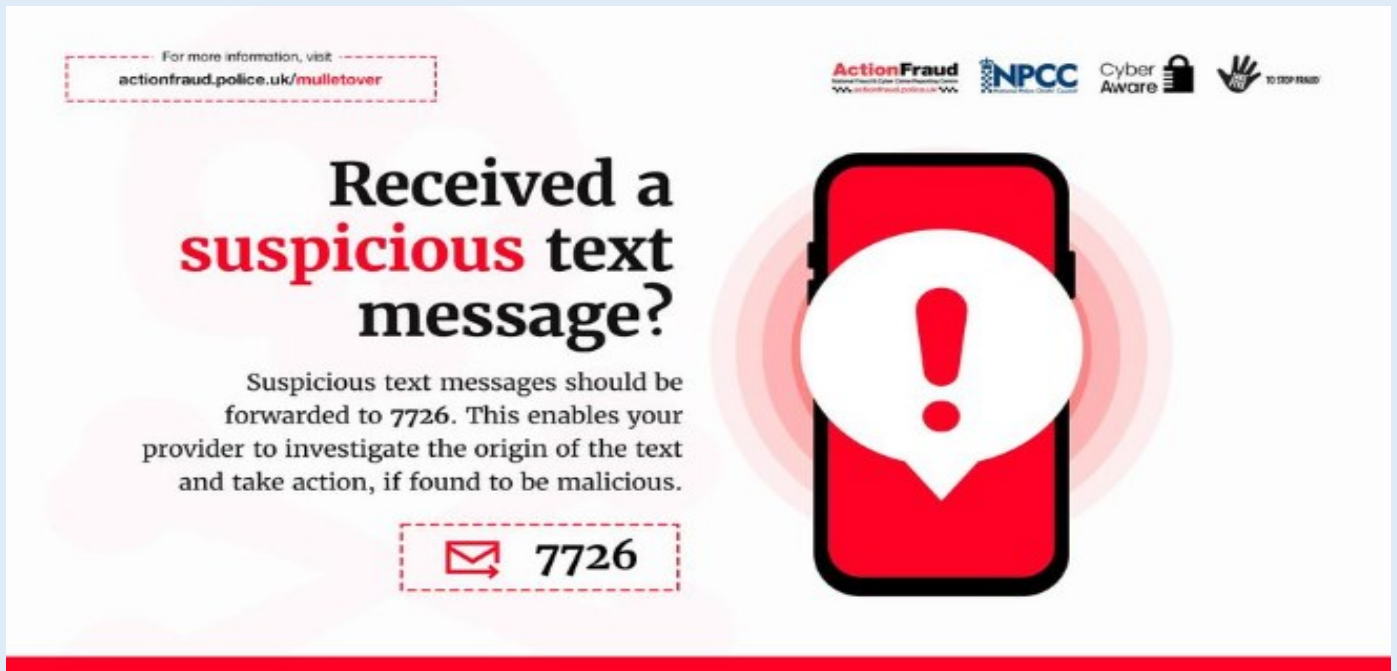
Alternatively you can call 101. In an emergency always call 999.

If you would like to make an anonymous report you can contact independent charity [@Crimestoppers](https://www.crimestoppers-uk.org), by visiting their website or by calling 0800 555 111.



Ever received a text message that you weren't quite sure about? Maybe it asked you to "verify" your personal or financial details?


You can report suspicious text messages by forwarding them to 7726.



For more information, visit actionfraud.police.uk/mulletover

Received a suspicious text message?

Suspicious text messages should be forwarded to 7726. This enables your provider to investigate the origin of the text and take action, if found to be malicious.

 **7726**

Logos: Action Fraud, NPCC, Cyber Aware, TO STOP FRAUD

The infographic features a central illustration of a red smartphone with a white speech bubble containing a red exclamation mark. The background is light blue with faint, overlapping circles. At the top left, a dashed red box contains the URL. At the top right, there are logos for Action Fraud, NPCC, Cyber Aware, and a 'TO STOP FRAUD' logo with a hand icon. At the bottom left, a dashed red box contains an envelope icon and the number 7726.

Help keep the hackers out!

Email and social media account hacking is the most commonly reported cyber-dependent crime in the UK.

Want to keep the hackers out?

Email and social media account passwords should be strong and different from all your other passwords.

Enable 2-step verification (2SV)



Behind some smiles, there's silence.

Behind some laughter, there's fear.

Domestic abuse isn't always physical

Here's what it can look like:

- * gaslighting, making someone question their reality
- * monitoring, obsessively checking phones or whereabouts
- * verbal abuse, constant criticism or humiliation
- * financial control, limiting access to money or work
- * threats, using fear to control decisions
- * two faces, kind in public, controlling in private

You never know what's happening behind closed doors.

If you or someone you know needs help, reach out. You are not alone.

If you or someone you know needs help, reach out. You are not alone. Call the domestic abuse helpline Essex Compass on 0330 333 7 444 (8.00am to 8.00pm weekdays, 8.00am to 1.00pm weekends)

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Every day we answer thousands of phone calls from members of the public asking for our help. And we are dedicated to helping people, especially in an emergency.

But we are continuing to see an increase in people ringing 999 for something that isn't an emergency. Just 20% of the calls we are receiving to 999 actually need an emergency response.

So, we are asking people to think about whether they need to call 999. Or if another way of getting in contact us would be better.

By doing this, it will help make sure we are free to answer those phone calls from people who need our help the most.

Calling 999 must be a last resort. You should only use this service if you are reporting an emergency.

What is an emergency?

Listed below are a few examples of emergencies when it would be necessary to call 999. This is not however an exhaustive list and common sense must prevail.

General circumstances of an incident reported to the police, when there is or likely to be:

Danger to life

use, or immediate threat of use, of violence serious injury to a person and/or serious damage to property.

Criminal conduct

The crime is, or likely to be serious and in progress.

An offender has just been disturbed at the scene.

An offender has been detained and poses, or is likely to pose a risk to other people.

