

Community Safety and Neighbourhood Services latest edition



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## Welcome

Welcome to the Winchester Community Safety Partnership (CSP) e-bulletin. The aim of this bulletin is to update partners on local and national campaigns being supported by us as well as providing you with dates for your diary. Have a look on the City Council's website for more information about the work of the CSP and the Community Safety & Neighbourhood Services Team. The Website can be accessed using the following link;

[Community Safety & Neighbourhood Services](#)

We hope you find this bulletin useful and welcome any feedback about this edition and content for future bulletins, our contact details can be found at the end of the bulletin.

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## **National & Hampshire Campaigns**



**Winchester Domestic Violence and Abuse Forum  
were once again supporting  
International White Ribbon Day on  
26<sup>th</sup> November 2018.**

Representatives from numerous partner agencies, including the City Council Community Safety & Neighbourhood Services Team, RASAC, YouTrust, Winchester Soroptimist, Hampshire Police, BID Ranger and Trinity Women's Service were joined by the Mayor of Winchester Cllr Frank Pearson and his wife in Winchester City Centre to show their support for eliminating violence against women.

Local businesses and their staff members were also showing their support in raising awareness for the campaign by wearing a White Ribbon.

Alongside the partner agencies, the campaign was also joined by the 'The With One Voice Choir', who performed 'The Journey' which speaks of the survival of domestic abuse as well as advocating for those women still suffering the effects of violence.

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## **Get safe online this Christmas..**

What will you be buying online this Christmas?

The lead-up to Christmas is a time when, for many of us, our spending soars. This year, even more of us will be taking advantage of the choice, convenience and best prices that we can only get online ... whether it's those special presents, a festive break or that outfit that's sold out on the high street.

Unfortunately, however, November and December are also the busiest time for fraudsters – who exploit the fact that you're distracted and will do anything to find a bargain

Get Safe On-Line have come up with expert, easy-to-follow safety tips to help protect you from falling victim to seasonal scams such as fraudulent shopping websites, fake goods, convincing phishing emails and ads for offers that are too good to be true.



<https://www.getsafeonline.org/christmas/>

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## Operation Holly

Police are encouraging drivers to know 'It's Not Worth the Risk' and not to drink alcohol and/or take drugs and get behind the wheel.

Between 1st December and 1st January Hampshire Police officers will be carrying out breath tests, drug tests and field impairment test (FIT drug tests) at every opportunity. This is to help raise awareness to people that we are proactively able to identify those that drive whilst impaired.

The operations will be intelligence led and focus on high risk areas we have identified and from following up on information supplied to us by the public.

The public are encouraged to report drink and drug drivers with as much information and detail as possible so they can be targeted. If you know someone who drink or drug drives you can report them on **101** or via CrimeStoppers on **0800 555 111**. Alternatively there is a text number **077814 80999**. If the person is an immediate risk to another we suggest the public call **999**.

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## Keep Safe this Christmas



The festive period is an opportunity to spend more time at home with your family, friends and pets.

Making your home cosy with a log fire, candles and fairy lights on the tree, is the perfect way to enjoy the season.

Stay safe and sound in your home this Christmas and don't increase the risk of fire.

### **Follow the Hampshire Fire & Rescue Service Christmas Checklist:**

- check your Christmas tree lights conform to the British Standard and are in good working order
- always switch off and unplug Christmas lights before you go to bed or go out
- don't overload sockets - whilst it's tempting to put up just one more strand of christmas lights, overloaded sockets can be a big fire risk
- make sure cigarettes are completely extinguished and never smoke in bed
- check your smoke alarms. If they don't work, or you don't have one, treat yourself, it could be the best Christmas present you've ever bought as it could save your life in a fire
- take the time to check on elderly relatives and neighbours this Christmas - make sure that they're safe and also enjoying the festive season.

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## Winchester BID Rangers



The Community Safety & Neighbourhood Services Team welcomed two new Rangers to the City in November. The Rangers are employed by the BID (Business Improvement District) and will be working in partnership with the Police and Neighbourhood Services Officers within the City Centre on behalf of local businesses..

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## Spare Change for Real Change

Spare Change for Real Change works by collecting donations from the public and sharing the proceeds between Trinity Winchester & Winchester Churches Night shelter, who ensure that the money is used in the best possible way to work towards rehabilitating homeless people.

Donations can be made in 50 red house-shaped collection boxes located in bars, pubs, shops and businesses all across Winchester.



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## SWEP (Severe Weather Emergency Protocol)

Over the coming months the Severe Weather Emergency Protocol (SWEP) will continue to be implemented when required to ensure that no one has to sleep rough during periods of freezing weather by providing a warm place to rest. If you spot a rough sleeper - help us to help them. Call 0300 500 0914 or visit [Streetlink](#).

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## Fly-Tipping

Fly-tipping is the illegal dumping of waste. It's a crime that damages the environment, risks public health and costs taxpayers to clean up. So if you are planning on having a clear out at Christmas and the items which you are disposing off are from your domestic property you can take them to your Local Household Waste Recycling centre free of charge.

**Remember** - It is illegal to fly-tip with a potential of up to £50,000 in fines in addition to a maximum prison sentence of five years. **#ResponsibleRubbish**



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## Coming up in the next few months

4th - 10th February 2019

### **Sexual Abuse and Sexual Violence Awareness Week**

You can check out the website;

[http://sexualabuseandsexualviolenceawarenessweek.org/facebook-banner/awarenessweek\\_2019/](http://sexualabuseandsexualviolenceawarenessweek.org/facebook-banner/awarenessweek_2019/)

Also, be sure to look out for and use the hashtag #ITSNOTOK on Twitter.

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Tuesday 5th February 2019

### **Safer Internet Day**

Safer Internet Day 2019 will be celebrated globally on **Tuesday 5th February 2019** with the theme: Together for a better internet.

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2019>

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Monday 18th March 2019.

### **National Child Sexual Exploitation Awareness Day**

You can check out the website; <http://www.stop-cse.org/national-child-exploitation-awareness-day/>

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## And Finally

If you require further information about any of the topics highlighted please contact the Community Safety Team at [communitysafety@winchester.gov.uk](mailto:communitysafety@winchester.gov.uk) or telephone 01962 848 222.

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