



Horsham Weekly Bulletin

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News and appeals

Making hoax calls is no laughing matter - police urge this summer

"Doing it for a laugh."

This is the response from youngsters recently caught making hoax calls to 999 from a phone boxes.

This summer students have been spoken to at schools across the county in a campaign launched by Sussex Police to show them the dangers of hoax dialling 999 as a prank.

To see a video and read the rest of this story, please click on the link or see our website.

<https://sussex.police.uk/news/making-hoax-calls-is-no-laughing-matter-police-urge-this-summer/>

Former sports coach at public school in Horsham gets 10-year sentence for sex offences against pupils

A former sports coach at a Sussex public school has been given a 10-year prison sentence for a series of sexual offences against girls who were pupils there.

Ajaz Karim, 63, of Baron's Court Road, London, was sentenced at Hove Crown Court on Thursday (9 August) for nine counts of indecent assault and one of attempted indecent assault against six girls aged 14 to 18, between 1985 and 1993 at Christ's Hospital School near Horsham.

He had been convicted on 13 April, following a two-week trial at Hove Crown Court and was remanded in custody for sentencing.

He will be a registered sex offender for life and was given a Sexual Harm Prevention Order (SHPO) to last until further court notice, severely restricting his access to young people.

The prosecution followed an investigation by detectives from the Sussex Police Complex Abuse Unit who arrested Karim in June 2016 after officers had received information for the first time earlier that year.

Detective Sergeant Karrie Bohanna said: "All the complainants were pupils of school age and some did not appreciate at the time of the touching, that it amounted to indecent assault, despite each of them stating that they felt extremely uncomfortable when the touching took place. It was clear that Karim used his position as a member of staff and his role as a sports teacher to use massage as a subterfuge for sexual touching.

"Karim said he practised an alternative therapy on pupils called the Bowen Technique and was teaching the students breathing exercises to help when playing sports and claimed there was nothing sexual involved but admitted he had no qualifications for the practice.

"He told the jury that his relationships with pupils was one of friendship only, but they clearly saw through his lies.

"We are glad that the six victims, who had the courage to come forward even after all this time, have now seen him face justice."

Sussex Police has had full co-operation from management at the school throughout this investigation.

<https://sussex.police.uk/news/former-sports-coach-at-public-school-in-horsham-gets-10-year-sentence-for-sex-offences-against-pupils/>

Two men sent to prison in connection with A24 crash

Two men will now spend more than 15 years in prison connected to the death of a woman on the A24 last year.

Conor Dobson and Isaac McFadyen have been sentenced following an investigation into the death of a [Horsham](#) woman in a collision on the A24 on Friday 10 November, 2017.

Dobson, 24, unemployed, of no fixed address, was charged with manslaughter and a burglary in Goring and McFadyen, 18, a student, of Hounslow Road, Hanworth, Feltham was charged with two counts of burglary and dangerous driving.

They both pleaded guilty and were sentenced at Hove Crown Court on Monday

(August 6). Dobson was sentenced to 15 years in prison with a further three years on licence. McFadyen was sentenced to 26 months; 20 months for two burglaries and handling stolen goods to run concurrently and six months for dangerous driving and driving with no insurance or licence.

Both will be banned from driving when they are released.

Please click on the link for the full story and video

<https://sussex.police.uk/news/two-men-sent-to-prison-in-connection-with-a24-crash/>

Slow down to save lives – Arrive alive not dead on time

The following press release has been issued on behalf of the Sussex Safer Roads Partnership:

Police Forces across Europe will be carrying out simultaneous speed enforcement campaigns this week.

The Sussex Safer Roads Partnership (SSRP) are supporting the European-wide speed enforcement week, which is coordinated by TISPOL, Europe's traffic police network, from the 6th to the 12nd of August 2018.

Working with partners in Surrey and Sussex Police's Roads Policing Unit (RPU), the aims of the campaign are:

- To target irresponsible and dangerous drivers committing excess speed offences.
- To inform drivers of the risks - both to themselves and to other road users associated with speeding.
- To encourage drivers to obey speed limits and drive at speeds safe for the road environment.

A number of tactics are being put into action during the week, to work alongside the day to day activities that RPU will be carrying out.

The safety camera team will be using their combination of fixed and mobile cameras to enforce the law and provide support to the campaign. As well as speed, they are able to capture mobile phone and seatbelt offences. They will be working with colleagues to ensure a robust stance is taken on tackling speeding offences in the county both this and every week.

Sussex's Community Speed watch groups (CSW) will be providing extra support in local areas with their team of volunteers. CSW is a national initiative that assists the work of the police, where members of the public use speed detection devices to capture offences, which are then referred back to the police through Operation Crackdown. If you are interested in joining or starting a group in your area, please see [here](#).

Please click on link for the full report

https://www.sussex.police.uk/news/slow-down-to-save-lives-arrive-alive-not-dead-on-time/?utm_source=Twitter&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=SocialSignIn

Alerts/Press Releases sent out this week click the link to see full details.

Crime summary

Other than Dwelling

Reference: 0348 09/08/2018

Location: Faygate Lane Faygate

Date and time: Between the 7th and 8th August.

Details: Entry was gained to an outbuilding by removing a window. Two bikes and tools were stolen.

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