RUCKINGE NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2025

As we start to head into winter it is worth just reminding everyone of the need to be especially safe and secure as the evenings draw in.
The real basic matters are still the same. We remain vulnerable with our vehicles, sheds, garages, barns, stables and any form of outbuildings and storage.
It is essential that all crimes are reported no matter how small which includes attempts or failed crimes which at least alerts us to the fact that criminals are active in the area. Use 999 please, especially “crimes in progress” or “crimes about to happen”

To the above I would add domestic heating oil tanks which may have been filled at summer prices ready for the winter months.

At this time of year, I just put out a warning on Anti-Social Behaviour. I would hope in a rural village setting this may not pose a problem however Halloween in other parts of the district give rise to unacceptable behaviour. What seems like good fun to the young can be annoying to the middle aged but downright terrifying to our elderly and vulnerable.

I have taken the time to add two Halloween posters which you can print off for your doors if you feel this may be a problem. As I said I do not expect problems in a village setting but they are with you in case.

Finally, as we start the run into Christmas and internet shopping really takes off, please be aware of the risk of thefts of internet parcels. I will ned to hammer this home in the coming months. As I constantly remind people the delivery vans are now followed so even the most remote of properties even in rural areas can now be vulnerable.

Please make safe delivery arrangements.



Parcel thefts rise from doorsteps as gangs follow courier vans



Alongside internet shopping parcel thefts, the constant threat of SCAMS is with us and again this will be ramped up by criminals and they are becoming better and better so in simple terms so must we!

DO NOTHING WHATSOEVER IN A RUSH, check, check and then check again and if you have the slightest doubt at all DO NOTHING!

Thank you all for your support.
TO JOIN RUCKINGE GROWING NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH please just email me it's completely free.

Thanks

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NO

Trick or treating please

Kent Police

www.kent.police.uk

YES

Trick or treaters welcome

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