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Woman sentenced after verbally assaulting two young girls

A 48-year-old woman from Chester who verbally assaulted two 12-year-old girls for walking on her land has been fined £180.00 and ordered to pay £430.00 costs, plus compensation.

Ruth Keziah appeared at Chester Magistrates' Court on Wednesday 5 February where she was found guilty of use of threatening and abusive language with intent to cause alarm and distress. The charge related to an incident that occurred on the morning of Saturday 13 April 2019 when two 12-year-old girls, who were competing in the Cheshire Hike, stepped onto land owned by Keziah on Warrington Road, Mickle Trafford. The children were both greeted by screams of abuse from Keziah who told them they were trespassing and threatened to get her gun out. She also repeated swore at the girls and told them that it was a 'good job they were wearing bright clothes' as they we would be able to see them when they had been squashed and killed by all the animals in the fields.

Following the sentencing Police Constable Boulton said: "The victims in this case were both innocent young children taking part in a competition who accidently crossed onto land owned by Keziah. Rather than simply ask the girls to go back onto the footpath, she tore into them and verbally assaulted the pair. During the attack Keziah even told the girls that it was a 'good job' they hadn't gone into the next field as it was owned by a paedophile who would tie them up and do things to them. Both of the girls were left traumatised and physically shaken as a result of what she said and I welcome the fact that she has now been sentenced for her actions."

Seven teenagers arrested in connection with stabbings incident in Widnes

Officers investigating the serious assaults of two 16-year-old boys in Widnes have arrested seven teenagers in Liverpool.

A series of dawn raids were carried out simultaneously in the city today, Friday 7 February. Conducted by officers from Widnes Local Policing Unit (LPU), supported by colleagues from Merseyside Police, the raids led to the arrests of six 16-year-old boys. A 17-year-old boy was also arrested. They are all being held on suspicion of wounding with intent.

Detective Inspector Ian Whiley, of Widnes LPU, said: "Since two 16-year-old boys were stabbed near to Riverside College in Widnes shortly before 3pm on Monday 3 February, we have been gathering intelligence regarding those involved in this disturbing incident. The extensive work we have been doing behind the scenes has led to seven warrants being executed simultaneously in Liverpool. The seven boys who have subsequently been arrested are from Liverpool and they are all currently in custody being questioned by officers."

The two boys who were seriously assaulted are also from Liverpool. They were both taken to hospital in ambulances and have since been discharged after receiving treatment for their puncture wounds.

DI Whiley added: “Although we have now made a series of arrests in connection with the stabbings, we are still appealing for information and footage from members of the public. If you were in the Kingsway area around the time of the incident and witnessed it, or anything else that may aid our investigation, please contact the team here at Widnes Police Station. We believe that passing motorists may have seen, and even have dashcam of, what happened. If you have any information, or dashcam or mobile phone footage, that may help us to establish exactly what happened and who was responsible please get in touch.”

You can call Cheshire Constabulary on 101, quoting IML 627919, or give the details via https://www.cheshire.police.uk/tua/tell-us-about. Information can also be given to Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 or via https://crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information/forms/give-information-anonymously.

Chief Inspector Sarah Heath, Cheshire Constabulary’s knife crime lead, added: “Everyone at the force is pleased to hear that the two boys who were stabbed in Widnes are now back home recovering from the injuries they sustained. The consequences of the alarming incident could have been much worse for everyone involved, and their families. We take knife crime extremely seriously at Cheshire Constabulary. We have a structured prepare, protect, pursue and prevent approach to tackling knife crime that involves various partner agencies, including local authorities, education providers, health authorities, third sector organisations, youth representatives and community groups. We work together to educate young people about the dangers and futility of carrying weapons, steer them away from criminality and offer them attractive alternative ways to spend their time. The force is proud of the fact that we have one of the lowest rates of knife crime in England, and that Cheshire is one of the few counties in England and Wales that has seen a reduction in the number of knife related offences committed in recent times. But our aim is for weapon-free streets throughout the county and we will continue to endeavour – through education, awareness and action – to make Cheshire an area where no-one carries a knife or feels that there is a reason to do so. However, the police cannot achieve this goal on our own. Knife crime is a societal problem that cannot be solved without the support of the whole society. If you have any information regarding knife crimes or those who carry weapons please let us know, or let Crimestoppers know anonymously.”

Two teenagers arrested following robbery in Crewe

Detectives investigating an armed robbery at an off licence in Crewe have arrested two teenagers in connection with the incident.

The two 17-year-old boys were arrested earlier today, Thursday 6 February, after officers executed warrants at two addresses in Crewe and one in Winsford. The arrests relate to a robbery at Bargain Booze on Gresty Road which occurred at around 6.40pm on Saturday 1 February. The pair have both been arrested on suspicion of robbery and are currently being held in police custody where they are assisting officers with their enquires.

Man charged with burglary offences in Ellesmere Port

A 45-year-old man has been charged with burglary offences.

On Tuesday 4 February David Lightfoot, of no fixed address, was arrested at an address on Princes Road in Ellesmere Port. He has since been charged with two counts of burglary and three counts of handling stolen goods. Lightfoot appeared at Crewe Magistrates Court on Wednesday 5 February and has been remanded. He is due to appear at Chester Crown Court on Wednesday 4 March. One charge relates to a burglary on Tuesday 4 February at an address on Yewdale Drive where a number of items were stolen. The three counts of handling stolen goods relate to burglary offences at Stanney Lane, Hope Farm Road and Deeside in Whitby in October 2019.

Four arrested after crackdown on drugs and organised crime in Crewe

Four people have been arrested in raids across Crewe, Alsager and Shavington in a week-long police crackdown on drugs and organised crime in Cheshire.

Drugs warrants were carried out by officers from the Crewe Local Policing Unit (LPU) between 6 and 13 January, targeting those who are causing significant harm to Cheshire communities. Officers PC Tom Towe and PC Tim Clark arrested two 16-year-olds, a 19-year-old man and 47-year-old man and seized a quantity of class A drugs, drugs paraphernalia, weapons and equipment which can be used to grow cannabis. Codenamed Operation Lineups, the strike also disrupted a county line drug operation running from the Shavington area which had contributed to the availability of Class A drugs within the village.

Crewe South Beat Manger PC Towe said: "'We hope by doing this operation, not only will we disrupt and deal with those involved in the activity, we can warn and educate young people about the consequences of becoming involved. It's also really key that as part of this work, communities feel stronger and more empowered to do what they can to prevent serious organised crime from becoming the community norm. We have received some really positive feedback from the community about how successful they thought that this operation has been, and how it is great to see actions being conducted against drugs. Local people are a vital source of intelligence and they need to help us to keep them safe by telling us what they know and turning rumours into evidence. New technology and legislation can help us protect people to come forward who otherwise would have been too frightened to so it's important that people know they can trust us when they have something to tell us."

By executing the warrant, Cheshire Police have also been able to disrupt and stop this county line from operating.

Speaking about co-organising Operation Lineups, Beat Manager for Shavington/Willaston and Wistaston PC Clark said: "It's been great to get involved in the planning and execution phases of this week of warrants with PC Tom Towe. They have been hugely successful, as aforementioned; we have recovered a quantity of crack cocaine and other drugs, disrupted a 'county line' operation in Shavington and making the four significant arrests, notwithstanding the fact that we have also had to address the vulnerabilities and safeguarding issues that have arisen from the disrupted county lines operation. We will look at executing another phase of the operation in the near future, to help keep drugs out of communities and reduce the harm these drugs cause."

Merseyside man jailed for dealer drugs in Chester City Centre



A man from Liverpool who dealt class A drugs in Chester City Centre has been jailed.

Stephen Duffy, of no fixed abode, Liverpool, appeared at Chester Crown Court in Tuesday 4 February where he was sentenced to four years in prison. The 28-year-old had earlier pleaded guilty to two counts of being concerned in the supply of class A drugs (heroin and cocaine). In May 2019 officers received information that a man called 'Mitch' was dealing drugs in Chester. Enquiries revealed that 'Mitch' was actually Stephen Duffy who was travelling across from Liverpool on a daily basis to sell heroin and crack cocaine.

Shortly after receiving the information, on Wednesday 15 May, plain clothed officers out on patrol in Chester witnessed Duffy dealing drugs in near to Richmond Court. He was subsequently arrested and found to be in possession of a large quantity of cash and a small amount of cannabis. Officers also seized his mobile phone. Duffy was released under investigation while further enquiries took place. While on release officers downloaded data from his mobile phone on which they discovered a number of messages linked to drug dealing. These included messages which were distributed to drug addicts advertising his daily prices and even special offers.

On Wednesday 17 July officers arrested another man in the city on suspicion of drugs offences. His mobile was also seized. A download revealed also a number of messages from a contact called Mitch. However the mobile number was different to the phone seized from Duffy. Once again the messages related to the supply of class A drugs.

As a result of subsequent enquiries officers were able to prove that the new number also belonged to Duffy. Duffy was re-arrested and later questioned but answered no comment to all the questions put to him. However, as a result of the evidence gathered against him, he was subsequently charged with being concerned in the supply class A drugs and pleaded guilty to the charges.

Following his sentencing, Detective Sergeant Stuart Needham, of Chester CID, said: "Today's sentencing comes as a result of a long running investigation into the supply of class A drugs in Chester and I would like to thank all of the officers involved in the case for their dedication and hard work. We know that Class A drugs have a hugely detrimental impact on our communities and we are committed to doing all we can to disrupt criminal activity and make Chester a safer place to live, work and visit. Duffy came to Chester on a daily basis with the specific intention of dealing drugs. He targeted some of the most vulnerable members of our community and I welcome the sentence that has been handed to him. I hope that the sentence reaffirms the message that drug dealing in Chester will not be tolerated and acts as a warning to other potential offenders who are looking to come to our city to deal drugs."

If you have any information regarding drug dealing in your community please contact Cheshire Constabulary on 101, give the details online via https://www.cheshire.police.uk or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Police investigation following serious assault in Widnes

At around 2.50pm today (Monday 3 February) officers were called to reports of a disturbance near to Riverside College in Kingsway, Widnes.

Officers attended the scene and discovered two 16-year-old boys with serious but non-life threatening injuries. They have both been taken to Aintree Hospital for treatment. Their next of kin are aware. Road closures are currently in place on Kingsway as a result of the incident.

Chief Inspector Catherine Pritchard said: "The investigation is in the very early stages but I would like to reassure people that this appears to be an isolated incident and there is not believed to be any risk to the wider community. Officers remain at the scene and enquiries are ongoing. If anyone has any concerns they are urged to speak to a local officer."

No arrests have been made at the current time and enquiries are ongoing. Anyone with any information or anyone who may have dashcam footage of the incident is urged to call Cheshire Police on 101 quoting IML 627919 or report it via https://www.cheshire.police.uk/tua/tell-us-about/

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Latest Cheshire Appeals

Appeal following a collision in Warrington

Officers investigating a collision in Warrington are appealing for witnesses to come forward.

At 2.40pm on Tuesday 4 February a grey Audi was driving along Chester Road when it was in collision with a pedestrian. An ambulance arrived at the scene and a 91-year-old woman was taken to Warrington Hospital. She remains in hospital with serious injuries. The driver, a 29-year-old man, did not require hospital treatment.

An investigation into the collision is ongoing and officers would like to hear from anyone who may have seen it take place. They would also like people who were driving in the area at the time the collision occurred to submit dashcam footage. If you can help officers with their investigation please contact Cheshire Police on 101 quoting IML 628691 or by visiting the website https://www.cheshire.police.uk/

Investigation launched following attempted robbery in Congleton

Officers from Macclesfield CID are appealing for witnesses and dashcam footage following an attempted robbery in Congleton.

Shortly after 8am on Friday 7 February officers were called to reports that a man, armed with a hammer, had entered Hightown Post Office on Biddulph Road and threatened staff demanding they handed over money. The staff members refused to cooperate with the man and he fled the scene empty handed. The offender left the store on foot, turning left towards the train station. He was wearing a white helmet and yellow high-visibility jacket. Enquiries in relation to the incident are ongoing and officers are keen to hear from anyone with any information which may aid the investigation.

Detective Constable Helen Orr said; “Thankfully nobody was injured as a result of this incident, although the victims have been left shaken as a result of their ordeal. The investigation is currently in the very early stages and we are keen to hear from anyone with any information which may assist our enquiries. Biddulph Road is a busy road and I believe that at the time of the incident there could have been a number people in the area who may have seen what happened and I’d urge them to get in touch. The same goes for anyone who was driving in the area and believes they have any dashcam footage which may be relevant to the investigation.”

Anyone who may have witnessed the incident or may have caught dashcam footage is urged to call 101 quoting IML 630582 or report it via https://www.cheshire.police.uk/tua/tell-us-about/. Alternatively, information can be reported to Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 or visit https://crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information/forms/give-information-anonymously .

Police investigating serious assault in Crewe release CCTV images



Police have released CCTV images of two men they would like to speak to in relation to a serious assault in Crewe in the early hours of Saturday, 2 November 2019.

The incident occurred at around 3.15am on Nantwich Road, near the junction with Mill Street. The victim, a 32-year-old man, sustained serious head injuries.

DC Liz Rankin said: “I’d like to appeal directly to the men in the CCTV images as well as anyone who recognises them to contact us on 101 or via https://www.cheshire.police.uk/tua/tell-us-about/ quoting IML554804. Information can also be given anonymously, via Crimestoppers, by calling 0800 555 111.”

A 55-year-old man from Ipswich has been charged with attempted murder and possession of an offensive weapon in connection with this incident.

Detectives launch dashcam appeal after assault in Tarporley

Detectives are appealing for witnesses and dashcam footage after a man was stabbed in Tarporley.

Just before 5am on Friday 31 January officers were called following reports that a man driving a milk float had been assaulted on Eaton Road near the junction of Cobblers Cross. It is believed that two males asked the man for a lift before attempting to steal some milk. The two males assaulted the man who then sustained minor injuries. He was treated at the scene by paramedics.

The two males then fled the scene towards a nearby field. One of the males is described as being around 15 to 16-years-old, around 6’ of slim build with short dark hair. He was wearing dark-rimmed glasses and a black puffa-style coat with a small white logo. The other male is described as white, aged 13 to 15-years-old, around 5’4” of medium build and was wearing dark coloured clothing.

Officers are now appealing for anyone who may have witnessed the incident or may have caught dashcam footage of the suspects to come forward.

Detective Constable James Elliott, who is leading the investigation, said: “Over the last week we have been investigating several lines of enquiry. Thankfully the injuries sustained by the victim were minor and we are

determined to track down those responsible and bring them to justice. We have been made aware that there was a school trip setting off around the time of the incident so there would have been people in the area who may have caught dashcam footage. I also want to hear from anyone else who has not yet come forward and may have key information that could help with our investigation."

Anyone who may have witnessed the incident or may have caught dashcam footage is urged to call 101 quoting IML 625126 or report it via https://www.cheshire.police.uk/tua/tell-us-about/ Alternatively, information can be reported to Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 or visit https://crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information/forms/give-information-anonymously

Appeal following aggravated burglary in Poynton

Detectives investigating an aggravated burglary in Poynton are appealing for information.

At around 1pm on Wednesday 5 February three men forced their way into a house on London Road North. A woman was inside the house at the time. The men, armed with a crow bar, ransacked the house demanding access to a safe and basement, before stealing a mobile phone. They then left the scene in a blue Ford Fiesta. The men are described as being of a slim build, around 5ft 8 in height and wearing black balaclavas and black jeans.

Detective Sergeant Stephen Joyce, from Macclesfield Local Policing Unit, said: "This burglary took place in broad daylight while the victim was inside the house. I am asking the public to come forward with information specifically around the three men and the car they were seen in. Did you see these men acting suspiciously in the area? Perhaps you saw the blue Ford Fiesta being driven in and around Poynton at around 1pm? If you did – or you have any other information – please get in touch to help with our investigation."

If you have any information please contact Cheshire Police on 101 quoting IML 629423 or through the website https://www.cheshire.police.uk/ Information can be provided anonymously by calling Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or visiting their website https://crimestoppers-uk.org/

Appeal after child is robbed of bike in Birchwood

Detectives are investigating the robbery of a child's bike in Birchwood.

At approximately 3.10pm on Monday 3 February the 12-year-old boy was on the footpath between Brock Road and Dewhurst Road. Two teenage boys approached him, grabbed hold of his bike and told the victim to get off it. After the victim refused, one of the teenagers punched him to the side of the head and pulled him off the bike. The offenders then made off with the black and red cube mountain bike towards the bridge over Dewhurst Road.

The boys are believed to be aged around 15 or 16. One of them is described as being of a chubby build, wearing all black clothing, a scarf and his face was covered. The other teenager is described as being of a skinny build. He was wearing a black jumper over a black hooded top and black Nike trainers.

Detective Constable John Parry, from Warrington Local Policing Unit, said: "The actions of both teenagers was inexcusable, they left a child terrified in what was an unprovoked assault in order to steal his bike. We are following a number of lines enquiry to find the teenagers responsible and I am keen to hear from anyone

who may be able to assist with our investigation. If you saw the robbery take place, were in the area shortly before and after, or think you know who committed this crime, please get in touch. With your help we could find those responsible and possibly reunite the child with his bike."

If you have any information please contact Cheshire Police on 101 quoting IML 628000 or visit https://www.cheshire.police.uk/ Information can also be provided anonymously through Crimestoppers https://crimestoppers-uk.org/

Appeal for witnesses following armed robbery off-licence in Wistaston

Detectives are appealing for witnesses and dashcam footage following an armed robbery at an off-licence in Wistaston.

At around 7.30pm on Tuesday 4 February a store worker was in the stock room at Bargain Booze on Kings Drive when he heard somebody entering the store. The worker checked the CCTV cameras and saw three unknown men, armed with baseball bats, who were all dressed in dark clothing with their hoods up and wearing balaclavas. He immediately contacted police and waited in the back of the store. Meanwhile the three offenders raided the store and stole a quantity of cash, cigarettes and alcohol before fleeing on foot, travelling towards White Hart Lane. One of the men was carrying a JD Sports carrier bag.

Detective Sergeant Steven Smith said: "While the shop worker was in the store room at the time of this incident and did not sustain any injuries, he has been left shaken up as a result of his ordeal. Enquiries in relation to the incident are ongoing and we are doing all that we can to trace the people responsible. As part of the investigation into the incident I am keen to hear from anyone who was in the area around the time it occurred and believes they may have witnessed something that may be relevant to our enquiries. I also want to hear from motorists with dashcams who were driving on Church Lane or Kings Drive between 7.15pm and 7.45pm. If you think that you have any information that could help our investigation, no matter how small, please call the team here at Crewe CID on 101."

Detective Inspector Claire Jesson added: "This is now the fourth robbery of a similar nature in Crewe in recent weeks and I understand the concern it may cause in the local community. I would like to reassure residents that there is a lot of work taking place in relation to these incidents and we are committed to doing all that we can to trace the people responsible. At the current time we are keeping an open mind as to whether the incidents are linked."

Anyone with any information or dashcam footage that may aid detectives with their investigation is urged to contact Cheshire Constabulary on 101, quoting IML 628956, or give the details via https://www.cheshire.police.uk/tua/tell-us-about . Information can also be given to Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 or via https://crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information/forms/give-information-anonymously .

Appeal following altercation in Widnes that left two teenage boys with serious injuries

Detectives investigating an altercation in Widnes which left two 16-year-old boys with serious injuries are appealing for information and footage from members of the public.

The incident involving a group of males occurred on Kingsway, near to Riverside College, at around 2.50pm on Monday 3 February. The two 16-year-old boys, who are both from Merseyside, sustained puncture wounds as a result of the incident and were taken to hospital in ambulances. One of them has since been discharged after receiving treatment. The other remains in hospital. His condition is described as stable. Enquiries in relation to the incident are ongoing and detectives are urging anyone with any information or dashcam footage that may help their investigation to get in touch.

Detective Inspector Ian Whiley, of Widnes Local Policing Unit (LPU), said: "We are determined to establish exactly what has happened and who was responsible. We are in the very early stages of our investigation into the incident and enquiries are ongoing. As part of our enquiries we want to speak to anyone who was in the Kingsway area around the time of the incident and believes they may have witnessed something that may be relevant to our investigation. Perhaps you saw what happened or the people involved. We believe that passing motorists may have witnessed the incident. If you were driving along Kingsway and saw, or have dashcam footage of, anything that may help our investigation please contact the team here at Widnes Police Station. The same goes for anyone who believes they may know the identities of people involved in the altercation."

Widnes LPU Inspector Catherine Pritchard added: "I would like to reassure residents, who will understandably be concerned about what has happened, that this appears to be an isolated incident and there is not believed to be any risk to the wider community. Additional patrols remain in the area to provide reassurance and anyone with any concerns is asked to speak to an officer."

No arrests have been made in connection with the incident at the current time.

Anyone with any information or dashcam footage that may aid detectives with their investigation is urged to contact Cheshire Constabulary on 101, quoting IML 627919, or give the details via https://www.cheshire.police.uk/tua/tell-us-about. Information can also be given to Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 or via https://crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information/forms/give-information-anonymously.

Statement issued following police vehicle collision in Penketh

A road in Warrington has reopened following a serious collision.

The incident involving an unmarked police car and a pedestrian took place at 7.20pm on Monday 3 February on Warrington Road in Penketh. The pedestrian - a man - died at the scene. Enquiries are ongoing at this time. Anyone with any information is urged to contact Cheshire Police on 101 quoting incident number 628165 or via https://www.cheshire.police.uk/ro/report/rti/rti-b/report-a-road-traffic-incident/ In line with normal procedure the incident has been referred to the Independent office for Police Conduct.

Fresh appeal issued six months since the murder of Mark Bradbury

Detectives investigating the murder of a man in Warrington have issued a fresh appeal for information on the six month anniversary of his death.

Mark Bradbury, 58, died after suffering significant head injuries at his home on Station Road South. He was found on Sunday 4 August but was last seen alive at 5pm on Thursday 1 August near his home. A murder

investigation has been ongoing for the past six months and in that time a team of detectives have been following a number of lines of enquiry.

Police hope the anniversary appeal will help to prompt a memory or encourage someone who may have previously been reluctant to speak to the police, to come forward. In particular, officers are keen to hear from anyone who may have seen, bought or been offered Mark's Citizen Eco-Drive watch, which has been missing since his death.

Detective Inspector Sarah Oliver, who is leading the investigation, said: "Our thoughts remain with Mark's family and friends as we mark the six month anniversary of his death. This is very much an active and ongoing investigation and we remain determined and committed to establishing who killed Mark and making them face the consequences of their actions. We have followed numerous lines of enquiry during the course of the investigation, however we are still appealing for information from the public. Even the smallest detail could be vital in helping us bring this tragic case to a conclusion. I am still keen to find out what happened to the watch Mark was regularly seen wearing – this has not been seen since he died. I believe somebody out there knows where it is. Perhaps it has been disposed of or been sold to you – if you have seen the watch or believe you know where it is, I want to hear from you."

A 39-year-old man arrested on suspicion of murder remains on conditional bail.

If you have any information please get in touch using the special online portal https://mipp.police.uk/ or you can call Cheshire Police on 101 quoting Operation Keynotes. If you do not want to speak to the police directly then information can be passed on anonymously by calling Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or by visiting their website https://crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information/forms/pre-form

Appeal launched after serious collision in Warrington

Officers are appealing for witnesses to come forward following a serious collision in Warrington.

At around 9am on Thursday 30 January officers were called to Sankey Way following reports of a collision involving a male pedestrian and black Volkswagen Polo. The male pedestrian, believed to be in his 70s, suffered serious injuries. He remains in hospital for treatment. The driver of the car stopped at the scene and is assisting police with their enquiries. Officers are now appealing for anyone who may have captured dashcam footage from around the time of the incident to come forward.

Constable Anthony Garner of the Roads Policing Unit said: "The male involved in this collision is currently in a serious condition in hospital. As part of the investigation, we want to hear from anyone who may have witnessed the collision. The same goes for anyone who may have captured dashcam footage in the Sankey Way area around the time of the incident."

Anyone with information can call Cheshire Police on 101 quoting IML 624403 or report it online via https://www.cheshire.police.uk/tua/tell-us-about/ Information can be reported to Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 or via https://crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information/forms/give-information-anonymously

Appeal following burglary at a bakery in Runcorn

Officers investigating a business burglary in Runcorn are appealing for witnesses to come forward.

The Poundbakery in Church Street was broken into via the roof at the back of the premises. A quantity of cash was stolen from a safe inside the bakery and the burglary occurred between 5pm on Saturday 1 February and 9.30am on Sunday 2 February. Enquiries in relation to the incident are ongoing and officers are urging anyone with any information or footage that may help their investigation to get in touch.

PC Dawn Taylor, of the Runcorn Pro-Active Policing Team, said: “Burglary is a serious offence and we are determined to establish who broke into the bakery and stole a quantity of cash. Enquiries are ongoing and I urge anyone who believes they may know who carried out the burglary to contact the team here at Runcorn Police Station. The same goes for anyone who thinks they may have seen or have footage of the offender, or offenders, either before they broke into the bakery or as they were fleeing the scene.”

Anyone with information or CCTV or dashcam footage that may be relevant to the investigation should call Cheshire Constabulary on 101, quoting IML 626984, give the details via https://www.cheshire.police.uk/ro/report or contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

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