# Parish Council monthly update

**HIGHAM - SHORNE**

**27th SEPTEMBER 2025 to 3rd NOVEMBER 2025**

**Information provided by:** **PC 11085 Joanne HAMMOND – Gravesham Rural Beat PC**

**The PCs for your area are PC 11085 Joanne HAMMOND and I can be contacted on 07980 923681 or via email 11085@kent.police.uk**

**AND**

**PC 14831 Joe DALLARDA who can be contacted on email: 14831@kent.police.uk and Mobile: 07970 983179**

***Please note: The Gravesham Electoral Changes Order 2022 has defined new ward boundaries, therefore Higham and Shorne come under the same ward now known as Police beat code reference XC37.**

**CRIMES OF NOTE: For beat code XC37**

1. 27/09/2025 – Nuisance vehicles – Hermitage Road, Higham - Report that young people are driving around Higham at night at speed and chucking gas cannisters out of the windows, mainly at the village hall, rear of the shops and along Hermitage Road. Possibly suspected of drug dealing, particularly



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near The Grange b&b also loud parties with music going on at the Grange, Hermitage Road.

2. 01/10/2025 – Vehicle Theft – Shorne Wood Country Park, Shorne – 2 scooters seen entering car park, the rider tampered with a motorbike and then pushed it out the car park and stole it.
3. 01/10/2025 – Burglary – Lilliechurch Road, Higham – People trying to break into the farm yard lots of machinery on site, attempt theft of a farm vehicle on site, which was recovered by police from a nearby field.
4. 03/10/2025 – Burglary – Football Club – Rede Court Road, Higham – Suspects entered club house and containers, stolen gardening equipment and caused lots of damage, angle grinders used and hammers left at scene. Three offenders seen on cctv.
5. 04/10/2025 – Burglary – Cottages, Gravesend Road, Higham – Suspects have got in through stable roof by removing felt etc, gardening equipment and tools taken, they have cleared the place out.
6. 04/10/2025 – Nuisance Vehicles – Woodlands Lane, Shorne – 6 x motorbikes including 4 quads riders wearing balaclavas no indexes, all damaging Shorne Common Rough.
7. 05/10/2025 – Fire – Park pale, Shorne – Car on fire, with a sus male seen walking down road, vehicle put out by fire brigade which was later found to be stolen on the 05/10/25.
8. 17/10/2025 – Suspicious Event – Park pale, Shorne – Three males have made off from Police patrol they have three mopeds with the indexes covered.
9. 23/10/2025 – Vehicle Theft – Vicarage Row, Higham – Dark VW Golf pulled up and two males got out one with a scanner, they got into victims truck within 2 seconds and drove off. Convoy seen with suspects in Golf the stolen truck and another stolen vehicle a Range Rover, which was later discovered in Meopham.



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10. 27/10/2025 – Vehicle Theft – The Street, Shorne – Vehicle stolen and tracker activated which was finally located in met ground London area and recovered.

**FUTURE ACTIVITY/ PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT MEETINGS: -**

Operation Paradiso, an operation to target nuisance vehicles has re-commenced and officers have been attending hotspot areas for these nuisance bikes, including areas in Shorne and Higham. This operation will run throughout the summer. Please report any nuisance bikes in order we can identify hot spot areas and target these. Of course, we are aware of the problems at Park Pale in particular which has been a hot spot area for a long time. Officers have attended this area several times recently, and will continue to do so, warning notices and bike seizures will take place given the opportunity, but please bear with us as this is very difficult to police.

Public engagements will re-commence in the coming weeks, I will place details via My Community Voice, and ask that the Parish Councils to advertise on their websites.

**PEAR TREE LANE**

***There are further updates on actions taken by or being taken by the Council Planning Enforcement Team, please use the Gravesham Borough Council website, look under planning then planning enforcement, click on in

'this section page ¼' and then on 'site updates', there is another link for White Post Lane, this will show you all updates from planning.

**NEW CCTV REGISTRY**

Please see attached a new poster in relation to our cctv registry, please sign up and help to keep our communities safe!

**DVLA**

Police have been given devolved powers from the DVLA to seize a vehicle which must be untaxed for more than two months and 1 day or declared SORN and on a public highway. There are exemptions to a tax seizure however so I will have to check the criteria before having it towed away. This scheme operates under The Vehicle Excise Duty (Removal Immobilisation and Disposal) Regulations 1997. Having completed the training, I am now able to seize such vehicles, so please inform me should you know of any! – I have now seized several vehicles in the rural.

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## DO YOU HAVE A SECURITY OR DOORBELL CAMERA?

**Sign up to our CCTV Registry and help keep your community safe.**

It's **free**, **secure**, and **quick** to register

Your camera footage could be used to support investigations, bringing criminals to justice, and making your area a **safer** place to live.

**Please note:**

- We do **not** have access to your cameras.
- We can only view the location of registered cameras.
- We always contact the camera owner to request footage.



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To register or learn more, go to **cctvregistrykentandessex.co.uk**

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## Protect **your** mobile phone



### Record your phone's unique IMEI number in case it gets lost or stolen

- Type *#06# into your phone to find its IMEI number
- Keep the number somewhere safe, or register it online at **www.immobilise.com**
- Security mark your phone with a UV pen or forensic marking solution
- When out, store valuables securely in a zipped pocket or bag
- Don't leave valuable items unattended or on display

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Call **999** in an emergency.

If deaf or speech impaired text '**police**' and your message to **60066**.



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