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Town Council Police Report 25th November – 30th December 2024.

Policing Priorities figures (6weeks)

Priority	St Johns Ward	Abbey Ward	Park Hill	Totals
Burglary Dwelling	2	5	4	11
Burglary Bus/other		1	1	2
Damage	2	8	1	11
Drugs – Crime				
Violence, include DA	10	6	6	22
Theft – Shop/person	5	2	1	8
Vehicle Crime	1	1		2
TOMV		3		3
Hate crime				
Public Order		4		4
Robbery				
Fraud				
Total	20	30	13	63

25th November – 1st December 2024

A comprehensive update, with crime prevention advice has been given in the recent Police report to the town council, however this week has seen an upsurge in reported Burglary Dwellings being reported.

3 of which are connected, as they involved an unusual (nowadays) MO of smashing a door/window with a brick and jewellery being stolen. At one of these offences, an alert Member of Public identified a suspicious van in the area at the time of the offence.

These offences are being investigated by the Burglary Team and have made inroads in the investigations by identifying the suspect Van, locating it abandoned in Coventry and seizing a number of items from within, it has been identified as a stolen vehicle from its engine number. Enquiries continue.

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2nd December – 8th December 2024

This week has been and continues to be dominated by the search for a Missing elderly male called John Taylor. He was last seen near Castle Hill and Purlieu Lane Junction.

The search has captured the attention and 'can do' attitude of Kenilworth residents who have been searching, like the Police around the clock for John. Showing great Community Spirit and Humanity in the searches and we (Police) are truly thankful for their involvement.

The searches have involved Lowland Search and rescue, the use of specialist search teams, Helicopters and numerous Drones, private and Police ones.

The last known sighting of John was, as described above and searches of CCTV in that area have shown he has not made his way towards Town or along Clinton Lane, therefore the searches are concentrating at the land to the rear of the Castle.

9th December 15th December 2024

Following the extensive search for the Missing Person, John Taylor, hampered by Storm Darragh over the weekend, Police and members of the public continued to search but to no avail.

On 12th December, acting upon a report, passed by a member of public, members of Kenilworth Safer Neighbourhood Team conducted a search near to the top of Purlieu Lane, the last known location that John was seen. Sadly, it was near there that they discovered a male, believed to be John, sadly deceased. His Next of Kin were informed immediately.

Because of where he was found the area was closed off and Forensic Officers attended to secure evidence and document the finding, there are no suspicious circumstance involved.

In reflection, this was a tragic incident with, despite the best efforts of everybody involved, a sad ending.

However, the people of Kenilworth are to be proud about the way they showed the very best in humanity, dedicating so much time to try and find a member of the Community, that many would not have known of or heard of before. They are to be commended for their involvement and be proud of their efforts in the most sad of circumstances.

16th December – 22nd December 2024

On the lead up to Christmas, Officers from Kenilworth SNT have been deployed as part of 'Op Presence'- this is a Force wide Operation to have high profile Police visibility within town centres/shopping centres, to deter thefts from shops, which history tells us rises at this time of the year.

Luckily for us this was business as usual for Kenilworth as Craig and Sharlene are a constant presence in the town centre, when working days allow and they are not off.

This week saw Officers from Kenilworth deployed to an incident on Rouncil Lane which was developed into a Murder Investigation. This involved one suspect who was arrested at the scene immediately after the event. No other members of public were at risk, and it was an isolated incident. Following the search for John Taylor and this event it has been an extremely busy period for Kenilworth SNT.

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23rd December – 29th December 2024

Christmas week saw a reasonably quiet time in the Kenilworth area, the violence reported in St Johns Ward was one incident where 4 crime investigations were raised involving 2 suspects.

Again, Kenilworth Officers were deployed to Leamington Spa initially to Police the Nighttime Economy and to react to other areas where required for public order/violent incidents.

Again, it was a quiet time in the town centres where people were out enjoying the festivities without getting out of hand.

The New Year brings new challenges and planned operations around the Kenilworth area to target Thefts and Burglaries are in place, utilising numerous different Police departments and hoping to be a success.