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### Introduction

As we approach the summer, the weather finally seems to be improving which certainly makes my Foot Patrol and Road Checks far more enjoyable! I am also hoping to be out in the villages using nothing more than pedal power in the coming weeks and hope to meet as many of you as possible on my travels.

It is also the season for village fetes and other community events. Please email me directly if you would like me to try and attend these. Shifts permitting, I am always happy to attend.



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#### **Incidents of Note**

As part of my role, I often attend local schools to speak with children about various issues. Last week I attended Aylesham Primary School to speak with two year groups regarding behaviour both in and out of school and explaining the consequences of unruly behaviour should the police have to become involved. I also attend the school as often as possible to deal with any persons who stop on the Zig Zag markings outside of the school gates. I will continue to make these unannounced visits and deal with any witnessed offences.

As the weather is improving and summer approaching, I am receiving an increasing number of reports of nuisance motorcycles in the rural communities. On The 18<sup>th</sup> May 2024, I attended Adelaide Road, Elvington and conducted a speed check. This road carries a 30mph limit close to the junction with Terrace Road. One car driver was reported for excess speed and two motorcycles, and one van seized for driving otherwise than in accordance with a licence and driving without third party insurance.

Shortly prior to this on the 10<sup>th</sup> May 2024, I witnessed a male riding an unregistered electric motorcycle on The Street, Eythorne. This vehicle was also seized and the driver reported for driving otherwise than in accordance with a licence and driving without insurance.

I will continue to do my best to stop and seize any off-road motor vehicles using our roads. Please continue to report this directly to Kent Police either by 101 or the Kent Police website.





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On the 4<sup>th</sup> May 2024, myself and other officers responded to reports of a Fail To Stop Road Traffic Collision on Adelaide Road, Elvington. Enquiries quickly identified that the vehicle involved was a stolen car from North Kent. Two arrests have been made in relation to this with both suspects currently on police bail pending further enquiries.

On Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2024 I attended Aylesham Community Engagement event in the centre of the village. Unfortunately, the poor weather didn't help with attendance, but the Police Cadets were out in force litter picking and engaging with the residents.

There has recently been an increase in thefts from motor vehicle in nearby Deal. It seems that unlocked vehicles are being targeted at night and items removed from within. Our advice is to double check their cars are locked at before heading to bed by just pressing their remote locking fobs once again.

Finally, please continue to contact me with any questions you may have, in particular relating to road traffic concerns. I am happy to receive suggestions for future road checks and speed enforcement checks.





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