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Report Hate Crime

Hate crime is the term used to describe an incident or crime against someone because of hostility or prejudice towards their disability, race or ethnicity, religion or belief (which includes non-belief), sexual orientation and gender identity.

It's important to report it so that the police can take action. If you or someone else is in danger, injured or offenders are nearby, ring 999.



In a non-emergency please call 101.

You can also text 67101.

If it's not an emergency, dial 18001 101

If you are deaf, hard of hearing or have any speech impairment, in an emergency dial Minicom/Textphone 18001.

For more ways to report hate crime go to devon-cornwall.police.uk/ro/report/hate-crime/hc-av1/report-hate-crime/ or www.stophateuk.org

Barbecue safety advice

Enjoy your barbecue safely, follow these simple precautions:

- Always read the safety instructions provided
- Place on an appropriate stand or non flammable flat surface away from anything that can catch fire
- Never use petrol or paraffin to start or revive your barbecue; use only recognised lighters or starter fuels on cold coals
- Never use a barbecue indoors or in a tent
- Always keep a bucket of water or sand nearby for emergencies
- Never leave a barbecue unattended
- If you are planning a barbecue in a public place, ensure you are allowed to do so at that location
- When having a barbecue, consider how the smoke will affect others
- Keep children, pets and beach games away from the cooking area
- After cooking, make sure the barbecue is cool before moving it
- Do not dispose of the barbecue until completely extinguished and cold, using water or sand. Hot discarded barbecues can melt plastic bins and start fires
- Always dispose of your instant barbecue carefully and responsibly
- Never bury a barbecue in the sand. Hot metal grill plates, embers and hot sand can cause serious injury

Be carbon monoxide aware

Never use fuel-burning equipment (e.g. disposable barbecues, camping stoves, camping heaters, lanterns, and charcoal grills) inside a tent, camper or other enclosed shelter. Using these indoors can cause Carbon Monoxide (CO) poisoning. They give off fumes for hours after you have used them - levels high enough to result in CO poisoning. Opening tent flaps, doors, or windows is insufficient to prevent build-up of CO concentrations from these devices.

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Safer Summer
Respect, Protect
& Enjoy Cornwall

Report a Crime

Call 999 if you or someone else is in immediate danger, or if a crime is happening right now.

Call 101 to report non-emergency crime including Anti-Social Behaviour visit dc.police.uk where you can access the police's online contact methods – WebChat and Crime Reporting Form.



Scan this code or alternatively visit devon-cornwall.police.uk/ro/report/

Unauthorised Camping



Incidents of unauthorised camping on public land can be reported to the council here

In the first instance, complaints of unauthorised camping on private land should be reported to the land owner.

Stay safe when driving on country roads

Country roads often have sharp bends. To stay in control and give yourself time to react to unexpected hazards, brake before the bend not on it.

Read the road ahead and anticipate potential hazards. Look out for upcoming bends, hidden dips, blind summits and concealed entrances.

The speed limit is a limit, not a target. You must not exceed the speed limit for the type of road and your type of vehicle. The national speed limit on single carriage roads is 60mph.

To remain safe there will be times when you will need to drive below the speed limit of a road in order to drive safely for the conditions.

If you get stuck behind a slow-moving vehicle be patient. Dips in roads, bends and other junctions joining the road often hide oncoming vehicles, so unless it's absolutely essential, don't overtake. If passing more vulnerable road users such as horse riders, cyclists and walkers, pass wide and slow.

Rural roads can be prone to flooding, if you come across a flooded road and you can't tell how deep the water is, turn around and find an alternative route. Just 60cm of standing water will float a car, 30cm of flowing water could be enough to move a car and an egg cupful of water could be enough to ruin a car engine.

If you're driving at night, be aware there may not be any streetlights, put your headlights on full beam, and dip them immediately if you see another car.

Even if you're familiar with a road, always remain vigilant and focused as the conditions can be different every time.

For more information on road safety visit <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/roadsafety> **Considerate Parking**

Cornwall Council has a Civil Parking Enforcement Team whose priorities are to keep road users safe by preventing dangerous parking, congestion and ensuring there is parking available for all within the community.

If you would like to get in touch with the team to request enforcement in a specific area, or you have a general query, please get in touch:

parkingenforcement@cornwall.gov.uk



Tombstoning / Cliff Jumping

Don't jump into the unknown

Tombstoning is a high-risk, high-impact activity which can lead to severe and life-threatening consequences.

Consider the dangers:

Water depths alter with the tide – the water may be shallower than it seems

Submerged objects like rocks may not be visible – these can cause serious impact injuries

Getting out of the water is often more difficult than people realise

Strong currents can rapidly sweep people away

Beware of Cold Water Shock that can leave even the fittest person struggling in water- float to live

Coastal Emergency dial 999 and ask for the Coastguard

Inland Waters dial 999 and ask for Fire and Rescue



Use of jet skis and personal watercraft (PWCs)

Jet ski or PWC use has become more and more popular over the years. It can and should be there to be enjoyed in fun and safe way. If you are thinking of using a jet ski, please follow these easy tips to ensure the safety of yourself and those around you;

Get training and insurance

A Personal Watercraft Course is strongly recommended and will teach you the skills you need to ride a PWC responsibly, safely and with confidence.

Having a qualification can also come in handy when accessing launch sites, riding abroad and on restricted waters or to save money on insurance. You can find accredited courses near you on the Royal Yachting Association website; www.rya.org.uk/wheresmynearest

Plan where you are launching

Remember to observe local codes of conduct, speed limits, and any launch conditions, if in doubt, ask the local Harbourmaster

- Always wear a buoyancy aid
- Carry a means to call for help – you can contact the Coastguard via 999 or via VHF radio on channel 16
- Keep your distance from other water users
- Keep your distance when viewing wildlife, avoiding erratic movements and not pursuing wildlife when it chooses to leave

Whilst the vast majority of jet ski users operate them responsibly and respectful of other water users, there are the occasional few who use them recklessly and dangerously.

If you witness reckless, dangerous or intimidating use of a PWC, in and around a harbour, please contact the local harbourmaster via the office if it is open, or by emailing harbouroffice@cornwall.gov.uk

If you witness reckless, dangerous or intimidating use of a PWC on a beach, river, or anywhere else, take photos and videos if it is safe to do so, and report it to 101@dc.police.uk

Remember to include as much detail as possible including;

- Make and model of jet ski/PWC
- Registration number of jet ski/PWC
- Details of the driver
- Associated car/vehicle details
- Photos and videos
- Time of incident

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Alcohol

There’s not much better than a drink with friends in Cornish Sunshine!

But when you’re out having fun in Cornwall this summer, please enjoy yourself and drink sensibly, and remember that alcohol isn’t a safe mix with cliffs or the sea.

If you’re out for an evening, here are some tips to make your good times last longer and more safely:


- Try alternating alcoholic drinks with water or soft drinks;
- Stay in a group with people you trust;
- Arrange your transport home before you go out, while you’re thinking clearly, using a known taxi firm.
- If you think you or somebody you know has had their drink spiked, alert security or bar staff immediately;
- If you’re the one driving, give alcohol a miss for the night;
- If you see any trouble, walk away rather than getting involved or trying to sort it out – that’s someone else’s job.

Current health guidance recommends normally sticking to no more than **14 units per week**, which is about 5 Pints of Beer, or a bottle and a half of wine. To keep things sensible, you could try taking alcohol free days in between days where you drink.

Also, if you’re out drinking in the sun, please bear in mind that alcohol dehydrates you, and can make you less aware of your circumstances or risks. So drink water regularly, and don’t forget obvious things like sunscreen.





If at any point you would like some support or advice around alcohol, please contact **‘With You’ on 0333 2000 325**.

So do have fun, but also do a few things to keep yourself safe, and don’t let your fun spoil someone else’s day – especially if they are serving you in some way.



DOGS DIE IN HOT CARS

SHARE THIS TODAY AND SAVE A DOG'S LIFE



IF YOU SEE A DISTRESSED DOG IN A CAR DIAL 999

Domestic Abuse & Sexual Violence

Anyone can experience domestic abuse or sexual violence – it affects people of all ages, regardless of gender, sexuality, ethnicity and background.

There are specialist services available to support you, whether you are a resident in Cornwall or the Isles of Scilly (CloS), or whether you are visiting.

Our local services will support you while you are here and help you to access services when/if you return home.

Summer is an exciting time in CloS and we see thousands of visitors coming to enjoy the beaches and beauty CloS has to offer. We want everyone to be able to enjoy their time here safely and comfortably, so we want you to know that street/sexual harassment, sexual violence and abuse will not be tolerated.

If you experience sexual violence and/or abuse, by someone you know or a stranger, there is specialist support available at sarchelp.co.uk (0300 3034626).

If you experience street harassment or sexual harassment, violence or abuse please report this to the Police.

If you or anyone else is in danger please call the police on 999 immediately. If you ring 999 but can't talk, make sure the police know you are there by coughing or tapping the handset, or by dialling 55. In a non-emergency please call 101.

You can also text **67101** or email **101@dc.police.uk**

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If it's not an emergency, dial 18001 101.

Sexual Violence in the Night-time economy

The majority of the night-time economy is enjoyed safely and sensibly.

However, the night-time economy can be linked to issues around alcohol fuelled behaviour such as harassment and sexual violence.

If you see someone in a risky situation or if you see someone clearly uncomfortable then you can be an active bystander.

Research shows that bystander intervention can be an effective way of stopping sexual assault before it happens, as bystanders play a key role in preventing, discouraging, and/or intervening when an act of violence has the potential to occur.

Before stepping in, try the ABC approach.

A. Assess for safety: If you see someone in trouble, ask yourself if you can help safely in any way. Remember, your personal safety is a priority – never put yourself at risk.

B. Be in a group: It's safer to call out behaviour or intervene in a group. If this is not an option, report it to others who can act.

C. Care for the victim: Talk to the person who you think may need help. Ask them if they are OK.

Community Safety in Your Area

Safer Cornwall is a statutory partnership of public, voluntary, community and private organisations who come together to do all that they can to make Cornwall's communities safer. We provide a co-ordinated response to community safety issues, drawing together all those organisations and people that can make a difference.


If you would like to raise a concern or find out more about the support available in your area, please contact your Community Safety Team at communitysafety@cornwall.gov.uk

Report Anti-Social Behaviour

Anti-social behaviour covers a wide range of acts that can include verbal abuse, vandalism, joyriding, noise nuisance, criminal damage, throwing missiles, underage drinking, engaging in threatening behaviour in groups or harassment of residents or passers-by.

To report incidents of anti-social behaviour visit www.dc.police.uk where you can access the police's online contact methods – WebChat and Crime Reporting Form.

These are available to use 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. If it's not an emergency, you can also report it to the police using 101.



Email devon-cornwall.police.uk/ro/report/

Telephone 101 (In an emergency always call 999)

Or scan this code.

Noise Nuisance


Neighbour noise (e.g. loud music, barking dogs) can constitute a statutory nuisance if this causes an unreasonable interference to the use and enjoyment of your home.

Visit www.cornwall.gov.uk/noise for further details, including how to make a complaint to the Cornwall Council's Community Protection team.

Telephone 0300 1234 212
Email publicprotection@cornwall.gov.uk

If you find discarded needles or drug related litter, do not attempt to pick it up.

Please report the location to Cornwall Council's Waste Management Team via the webpage on this code or telephone 0300 1234 141.



To report graffiti, fly tipping, littering, abandoned vehicles and dog fouling please use the "Report It" pages on the Cornwall Council website www.cornwall.gov.uk/report-it

If you or someone you know needs help or support with alcohol or drugs issues

0333 2000 325

we are withyou
in Cornwall

We Are With You support adults, children, young adults and older people to make positive behavioural changes. Whether that's with alcohol, drugs, or mental health and wellbeing, we're here to help people improve their lives in ways they never thought possible.

Online www.wearewithyou.org.uk

YZUP (young people)
www.wearewithyou.org.uk

If you think you or someone you know is experiencing Domestic Abuse...

0300 777 4777

SAFER FUTURES Ending Abuse in Cornwall & Isles of Scilly.

Safer Futures provides support, safety planning, advice, therapy and recovery in domestic abuse and sexual violence.

We can help if you have experienced sexual assault, abuse or rape and need support in your recovery. Services are provided to women, men, young people and children.

Online www.saferfutures.org.uk
Email saferfutures@firstlight.org.uk

If you or someone you know has been raped or sexually assaulted...

0300 303 4626

Devon & Cornwall SARC
Sexual Assault Referral Centres

The Devon and Cornwall Sexual Assault Referral Centre (SARC) provides safety, support, forensic medical facilities and assessments, sexual health advice and counselling to women, men, young people and children.

Online www.sarchelp.co.uk (secure online referral).

Heading to our Coastline this year?

STOP & THINK
Weather, Tides, RIPs
In trouble in Water
FLOAT TO LIVE
Coastal Emergency = 999
COASTGUARD
#RESPECTTHEWATER
#CoastSafe

Always swim at a lifeguarded beach between the red and yellow flags, and observe local byelaws.

Scan the code to visit www.rnli.org/find-my-nearest/lifeguarded-beaches

