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Millom & South Copeland



Welcome to the September edition of your Neighbourhood Policing Newsletter.

Our team continue to work hard to keep our community safe, connected, and informed.

From tackling anti-social behaviour and our area priorities it's been a busy and productive few weeks.

Inspector Richard Massey

You said, we did - anti-social driving

You said - anti-social driving and use of E-scooters in Millom Town Centre and Haverigg was an issues.

The main locations reported as Horn Hill (near junction to Moor Road and North Lane Kirksanton, Silecroft, The Green & The Hill

This remains a priority in September.

- On 21 August, a man was arrested following a collision on Horn Hill for driving whilst over the prescribed limit for alcohol. He has been charged and will appear in court on 22 September.
- 22 August, a three vehicle collision reported at Moor Road, Millom, offending driver made off from scene, located and arrested for over the prescribed limit of alcohol.

- 23 August, a fail to stop collision at Lapstone Road, Millom, offending vehicle Investigation ongoing
 - 10 September, vehicle seized for no tax
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 Spiking is a crime. It can happen to anyone, anywhere - by strangers or even people you know.

If you feel more drunk than expected or suddenly unwell, seek help immediately.

 You are not to blame. You will be believed.

You said, we did - Millom

You said in the recent PACT surveys there are issues around drugs and driving offences in the Millom area.

We did, officers identified a man from Millom suspected of driving whilst under the influence, observation was kept on his vehicle which was found being driven on 20 April 2025.

The man failed a roadside drug wipe and was arrested - a blood sample was taken and the male was released pending the results being returned - the male was later charged with driving over the limit when the blood results were returned with a positive result.

The man, who can be named as Simon Hall, attended court on 25 September where he was found guilty of the offence, the following judgement was made.

- 12 month driving ban
- £48 surcharge
- £85 costs to the CPS

- £120 fine

We would like to thank the community for making us aware of this issue.

Man arrested following fail to stop

Over the last few weeks we have been receiving information regards a vehicle being used in and around Millom without the necessary documents.

PC James Wrigley and PC Emily Tyson sighted the vehicle whilst on patrol on 11 September, the driver failed to stop and led the officers on a 10 minute pursuit around the Whicham Valley, which ended when the drivers skills (or lack thereof) caused him to lose control and collide with a wall.

The driver decided to run away from the officers, not realising the newest member of our team is rather agile on his feet and was able to quickly apprehend him.

The male driver was arrested for an array of driving related offences, including dangerous driving.

A case will now be presented to the Crown Prosecution Service and an update will be provided in due course.



OPERATION ENHANCE: Officers continue to keep your streets safe!

Police Officers in Copeland continue to keep your streets safe as part of Operation Enhance. The Operation aims to tackle anti-social behaviour and serious violence in hotspot areas across the county.

 watch officers out in Copeland [here](#).

Our Copeland hotspots, Whitehaven town centre and Cleator Moor, have both seen two extra reports of anti-social behaviour in August 2025 compared to August 2024 – taking the total from two reports in each area to four. So, what are our officers doing to tackle this?

Officers are out in the hotspots, speaking to residents and businesses about their concerns, ensuring they are visible and tackling crime to make sure you are safe



and those looking to commit anti-social behaviour, serious violence and other crime types to keep you safe and our town centres welcoming.

As part of Operation Enhance, officers are out seven days a week across Cumbria. You might not always see us, but we're there – with officers deployed daily in hotspot areas, tackling anti-social behaviour and serious violence. We're out there, keeping communities safe. Want to see us in action? Follow us on [Copeland Police](#) Facebook to keep up with everything we do to keep you safe.

Operation Enhance doesn't just focus on ASB – we're continually tackling serious violence as well. Across the county, serious violence dropped by 21.4% (42 offences down to 33).

The Operation has been made possible thanks to £1 million of extra funding secured by David Allen, Cumbria's Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner from the Government's Hotspot Response Fund.

As part of the operation, the public is encouraged to report anti-social behaviour by visiting the constabulary's website <https://orlo.uk/gKvGc> or our non-emergency number 101. In an emergency always call 999. Information and intelligence from the public is vital so we can work together to tackle issues in their communities.

Find out more about Operation Enhance: <https://orlo.uk/ec9p7>

Upcoming community police events 🚓

📌 Millom library

📅 Mon 13 October 2025

🕒 5:00PM - 6:00PM

📌 The Green, Thwaites Village Hall car park

📅 Tue 14 October 2025

🕒 5:00PM - 6:00PM

📌 Byre car park, Bootle

📅 Sat 25 October 2025

🕒 3:00PM - 4:00PM

 Haverigg beach car park (opposite Betty's café)

 Sun 26 October 2025

 3:00PM - 4:00PM

For more information, please visit our website and enter your postcode in the Your Area section.

[Visit Your Area](#)

Your local officers

Want to know who your local officers are?

Simply go to our website - www.cumbria.police.uk

Scroll down the home page and you can browse different areas to see who your local team are - or enter your postcode.

Not only will you be able to find out who your named local officers and PCSOs are, you will also be able to view our local policing priorities and details of any meetings or events we will be attending.



Have you ever thought about being a police officer?

You could make a real difference to people in Cumbria and help keep them safe.

Not sure if policing is for you?

This short quiz should be able to help 

[Take the quiz](#)

Which route is right for you?

☐ **Police Constable Degree Apprenticeship**

Did you know you can join Cumbria Constabulary as a degree apprentice and work towards a degree whilst serving as a student officer with active frontline duties?



☐ **Police Constable Entry Programme (PCEP)**

This is a two year programme which gives a blend of practical on-the-job experience and classroom-based learning.

Once you leave training school, you will then go onto to your allocated station then eventually go onto independent patrols and will be assessed for the remainder of the two-year programme.



☐ **Professional Policing Degree Graduate (PPD)**

To be eligible to apply, you will need to have taken a three-year BSc professional policing programme offered by universities that are licensed and validated to deliver the degree by the College of Policing.

For more information about the entry route and the role visit: [Job profile](#)



● PCEP DC pathway

Our Detective entry programme (PCEP DC) is open for applications.

The two year programme is designed to equip you with all the skills and training necessary to ensure that on completion you will be a highly competent detective constable.



● Transferees

Do you or someone you know work for another force? Looking for a new challenge?

When you join Cumbria Police you will have new opportunities and with this, you will be able to make a positive difference to the lives of those who live here.



We are looking for enthusiastic and dedicated people to apply now to join us.

For more information on police officer entry routes and staff roles, please visit www.cumbria.police.uk/careers.



Extra measures put in place to prevent spiking in Cumbria - and keep nights out safe for all

Work to stop spiking is being stepped up in Cumbria this week to tie in with the return of students to university – and to help keep nights out as safe as possible for all.

Anti-spiking products will be handed out and advice offered to people heading out to pubs, restaurants, clubs and venues.



Police patrols are also being carried out in some of the busier nightlife areas in and around this period to offer reassurance and advice.

Agencies and organisations including Cumbria Police, the University of Cumbria, the Office of the Cumbria Police and Crime Commissioner, Cumberland Council and Westmorland and Furness Council are backing the work. **Read more [here](#).**

Police urge victims of romance fraud to speak up, stressing: It's never your fault

Police in Cumbria are reminding victims of romance fraud it is never their fault if they have been targeted – with scammers preying on people's emotions to swindle them out of money.

Officers are urging people to speak up if they have been targeted and not to feel embarrassed or stupid as fraudsters have no scruples about exploiting people's feelings to get their hands on cash.

Romance fraud happens when a person thinks they have met a new partner or romantic interest through a dating website, app or through social media.

But, in fact, a fraudster is using a fake profile to form a relationship with them.

They will gain the person's trust and ask for money or enough personal information to steal the victim's identity. **Read more [here](#).**

Operation Checkpoint: vehicles seized during rural crime operation

54 vehicles stopped as part of efforts to disrupt criminality in rural areas.

Operation Checkpoint returned on Wednesday 17



September with officers working with other police forces which border Cumbria.

The largest rural crime operation of its kind in the UK, Operation Checkpoint sees several police forces in the North of England working collaboratively to prevent and tackle rural acquisitive crime, wildlife and poaching offences.

The operation follows an increase in rural crime reported over the last few months. Officers are urging rural communities to be vigilant and take steps to protect their property. **Read more** [here](#).

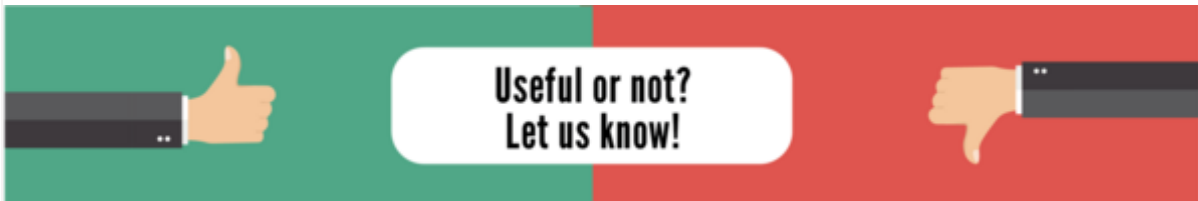




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