

Cheshire Neighbourhood Watch Association

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Cheshire News & Appeals



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Closure ordered imposed on house in Runcorn

A closure order has been imposed on a house that has been blighting a community in Runcorn. Officers from the Halton Problem Solving Team applied for the order under the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014. This followed a large number of reports of drug dealing and anti-social social behaviour involving the house in Suffolk Street.



There have been reports of a large number of people coming and going at all hours. People linked to the address have been verbally abusive to members of the community in the street, and there have also been violence incidents at the house. Granted by Warrington Magistrates' Court on Wednesday 31 March, the closure order makes it a crime for anyone to enter the property over the next three months. PC Andy Maskall, of the Runcorn Problem Solving Team, said: *"The behaviour of people inside and outside the house in Suffolk Street has caused those living in nearby properties significant alarm, harassment and distress over a sustained period of time. The successful application for the closure order will no doubt give them instant relief and respite. The house and those linked to it have plagued the local community. Officers have attended the address on numerous occasions to deal with reports of drug dealing, assaults, threats, verbal abuse, loud music being played late at night and more. No-one should have to put up with such things in their neighbourhood. We will use the full remit of the law to ensure that they don't have to, as this case shows. It is another example of our commitment to targeting those who undermine our communities through unacceptable behaviour. I have no doubt that the closure order will have a positive impact on the area, and I want to thank the members of the public who played a vital role in this. The information they supplied was crucial in us gathering the evidence needed to secure the order. I hope this case encourages others to report and give statements regarding such behaviour at properties they live near. They can rest assured that we will do something about it. I hope that the action we have taken provides reassurance to Runcorn residents and serves as a warning to others who incorrectly think that they can persistently make their neighbours' lives a misery through unacceptable behaviour."*

Officers will conduct regular checks of the house over the next three months to ensure that the order is not breached. If anyone is found to have breached it they are liable to be arrested and face up to six months in prison, an unlimited fine or both. To report criminal or anti-social behaviour in your community call Cheshire Constabulary on 101 or [provide the details via our website](#). Alternatively, information can be given anonymously to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Crewe man charged with class A drug dealing offences

A 26-year-old man from Crewe has been charged with drug dealing offences after officers conducted a stop and search in the town. Mohammed Harun Miah, of Samuel Street, was arrested in Flag Lane at around 3pm on Tuesday 30 March. He has subsequently been charged with possession with intent to supply class A drugs heroin and cocaine. Miah has also been charged with possession of criminal property in connection to a

quantity of cash seized by officers. He appeared at Warrington Magistrates' Court on Thursday 1 April. Miah was remanded in custody and is set to appear at Chester Crown Court on Thursday 29 April.

Widnes man jailed for 19 child sex offences, including four counts of rape

A 30-year-old man from Widnes has been jailed for raping a then 14-year-old girl and a string of other child sex offences. Matthew Lawton, of Milton Road, was convicted of all 19 offences he was charged with, following an eight-day trial at Liverpool Crown Court. They included four counts of raping the teenage girl from Widnes. His other victim was then a 13-year-old girl from the town. Lawton returned to the court to be sentenced on Thursday 1 April. He was jailed for 15 years, and given an extended four years on licence. Lawton was also ordered to sign the sexual offenders' register and comply with a sexual harm prevention order for life. The court heard that he preyed on both victims via SnapChat, lying about his age and arranging to meet them. Whilst the girls believed that he was 19, Lawton was fully aware of their real ages. Despite this, he had sex with them on a number of occasions. Lawton also pestered them to send intimate photos of themselves to him. He filmed himself having sex with the then 14-year-old girl. Lawton used the film and indecent photographs of the girl to make her keep meeting up with him when she no longer wanted to. He threatened to put the film and photographs on social media for her family and friends to see. Lawton also threatened to damage her home and her mum's car. After feeling forced to continue to meet up with Lawton, she was raped by him on four separate occasions. On one of the occasions he threatened her with a knife before raping her in his home. Lawton eventually carried out his threat of posting the film of the pair having sex on social media. This led to a high school becoming aware of the video and calling the police. An investigation was launched and Widnes Local Policing Unit (LPU) was able to identify Lawton as the man in the video from the tattoos on his arms and from information supplied by the victim's family. After arresting him on Thursday 21 November 2019, officers seized his internet enabled devices. They found the original version of the film of him having sex with the then 14-year-old girl, as well as messages and photographs exchanged between the pair. The younger victim was originally interviewed by officers as a potential witness. Following the interview, she told her mum that she too had been having sex with Lawton after he had befriended her on SnapChat. When interviewed in custody Lawton claimed that he thought both girls were over the age of consent. However, from talking to witnesses and analysing his mobile phone, officers were able to establish that the victims had told him how young they were.



Following a thorough investigation conducted by Widnes LPU, Lawton was charged with:

- Four counts of rape
- Nine counts of sexual activity with a child
- Two counts of meeting a child following sexual grooming
- Two counts of sexual communication with a child
- One count of inciting a child to engage in sexual activity
- One count of taking indecent photographs of a child.

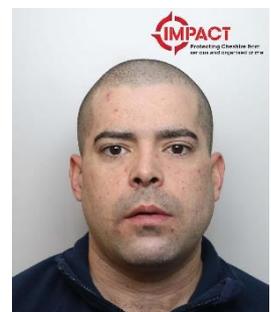
Lawton pleaded not guilty to all of the offences, which were committed between Tuesday 30 April 2019 and Saturday 23 November 2019. However, after listening to the extensive evidence gathered against him, a jury found him guilty on all charges on Wednesday 10 February. DS Gary McClatchey, who led the investigation, said: *"Matthew Lawton groomed two young girls via social media and preyed on them for his own sexual gratification. He told both girls that he was 19, when the reality was that he was a predatory paedophile who was then in his late 20s. The long list of offences he subjected the victims to is nothing short of horrific. He*

raped the older victim on four separate occasions, one of which saw him threaten her with a knife beforehand. Lawton committed the rapes after she had told him that she didn't want to meet up with him anymore. He made a series of threats to ensure that she continued to see him, including threatening to put a video of them having sex on social media for people she knows to see. Him carrying out this threat led to us being made aware of the video via a high school and launching an investigation that has now culminated in Lawton being brought to justice for his despicable actions. These actions included Lawton contacting the younger victim after being released on conditional bail in relation to the investigation involving the older girl. Lawton has shown no consideration for the victims at any stage, refusing to admit the extremely serious sexual offences he committed and making them give evidence at court. Being dragged through the court process is always a stressful and traumatic experience for victims in cases involving sexual offences, particularly when they are so young. I would like to praise the victims for the bravery they have shown in disclosing what Lawton subjected them to, both to us and then during the trial. I hope the fact that Lawton is now behind bars, where he can no longer sexually exploit and pose a threat to girls, gives the victims and their families some closure. However, the victims will continue to receive the help and support they need to move forward with their lives. I also hope the sentence that Lawton has been handed by the court deters others from committing similar offences.” Chief Inspector Ian Whiley, of Widnes LPU, said: *“Sexual abuse is a horrific crime and this is a particularly distressing case. I would like to thank all the officers involved in the complex investigation for all their hard work in unravelling the extent of the offending and gathering the required level of evidence to secure convictions for all 19 offences. This case highlights the fact that people you communicate with on social media may not be who they claim to be and that you should never send indecent photographs or videos of yourself to others, or let them take such photographs or videos of you. It also highlights the need for parents and guardians to warn their children of the dangers of communicating with people via social media, to check that they are using those things safely and to keep an eye out for any warning signs of sexual exploitation. I hope that Matthew Lawton’s convictions and sentencing encourages anyone who has been subjected to similar offending to report it to the police. They should feel confident that they will receive the help and support they need from our specialist officers and other support agencies we work alongside. All victims will be treated with the dignity and respect they deserve, and any allegations will be taken extremely seriously and thoroughly investigated, with the wishes and the needs of the victim as our main priority.”*

[Visit the NSPCC's website](#) for advice on identifying signs of sexual exploitation. To report a sexual offence call Cheshire Constabulary on 101. Information can also be [given online via our website](#) or anonymously via Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Drug dealer from Ellesmere Port jailed

A drug dealer from Ellesmere Port has been jailed on the back of a warrant being executed in the town. Officers raided the home of Lee Ellsworth shortly before 7am on Wednesday 13 May. They seized snap bags of cannabis with a street value of around £120 from the address on Station Road and arrested the then 29-year-old. The officers also seized scales containing traces of cocaine and cannabis, drug paraphernalia and a mobile phone belonging to Ellsworth. Forensic analysis of the phone revealed numerous messages relating to the supply and distribution of the illegal drugs. Ellsworth was subsequently charged with being concerned in the supply of class A drug cocaine and class B drug cannabis. He pleaded guilty to the charges and was sentenced at Chester Crown Court on Thursday 25 March. Now aged 30, Ellsworth was jailed for three-and-a-half years. Following the sentencing, DC Roy Wellings, who led the investigation at Ellesmere Port Local Policing Unit (LPU), said: *“We executed*



the warrant on the back of intelligence we had gathered regarding drug dealing in the town. It has led to a dealer of class A and class B drugs being taken off our streets. Illegal drugs have a hugely detrimental impact on our communities. They cause untold damage to the lives of both those who use the drugs and become dependent on them and the wider community who suffer from the resulting crime. I hope this case and the fact that Lee Ellsworth is now behind bars facing the consequences of his actions deters others from getting involved in the supply of illegal drugs. As this case shows, drug dealing in Ellesmere Port will not be tolerated, and the same goes for everywhere else in Cheshire.” Chief Inspector Ian Stead, also of Ellesmere Port LPU, added: *“I would like to thank the officers involved in this case for gathering the intelligence and evidence required to secure convictions against Lee Ellsworth. While he is now in jail and this investigation has been concluded, our fight against illegal drugs and those who supply them continues. Intelligence supplied by members of the public is crucial to this fight and I urge anyone with any information about suspected drug related activity in their community to get in touch.”*

You can report suspected drug dealing to Cheshire Constabulary directly by calling 101 or giving the details online via <https://www.cheshire.police.uk/ro/report>. Alternatively, information can also be given anonymously, via Crimestoppers, on 0800 555 111.

Residents urged to stick to the rules ahead of Easter bank holiday weekend

Residents across Cheshire are being urged to stick to the rules ahead of the Easter bank holiday weekend following the latest relaxation of coronavirus restrictions. Since 29 March, people across England have been able to socialise outdoors while following the rule of six or meeting with another household – including in private gardens. As part of the changes, the public can also now take part in organised outdoor sport and enjoy outdoor sport and leisure facilities. The new rules also allow all outdoor activity for children alongside outdoor parent and child groups for up to 15 people. As we head into a long bank holiday weekend, Cheshire Constabulary is urging the public to celebrate safely and to remember that although the number of coronavirus cases are reducing, it still remains a threat. ACC Jenny Sims said: *“Although it is great to see the relaxation of restrictions across the country we must not become complacent. The threat of coronavirus is still very much with us and we must stick to the rules and guidance in place in order to continue to see a drop in the number of cases. This includes the wearing of face coverings and social distancing when you are with people from outside of your household. Last year, I know many families were not able to celebrate Easter in the way they would have liked to and this was one of the many sacrifices we all had to make to get to this point now. Undoubtedly this year will still be different but the relaxation of the rules offer a glimmer of hope in allowing families to meet, as long as you follow the rule of six or meet with one other household outdoors. Sadly, the fact remains that you will not be able to meet with family and friends indoors as it is still deemed too risky at this stage. We must respect the rules in place and, by doing this, we can stick to the national roadmap, which will guide us out of these restrictions.”* As part of the latest relaxation of the rules, the government has removed the need to ‘stay at home’ but the advice is to continue to minimise travel when necessary. Officers will be out engaging with the public across Cheshire’s outdoor sites to ensure that everyone is staying safe this Easter holiday. ACC Sims added: *“We expect to see a lot of people flocking to the county’s beauty spots over the bank holiday. Although we welcome visitors, we would urge that you please think whether your journey is necessary and whether you can do this closer to home. If you do visit one of our sites, please follow the guidance in place to keep you and others safe and to respect the countryside code.”*

For further advice and guidance please visit [the Government website](#).

To report a coronavirus breach visit [the Cheshire Police website](#). For the countryside code [click here](#).

Three people charged by officers investigating dog thefts in Nantwich

Three people have been charged in connection with the theft of two dogs in Nantwich. Malachy Doherty, 37, Mary Docherty, 28, and a 14-year-old boy, who cannot be named for legal reasons, were arrested at an address in Metcalfe Road, Tunstall, Stoke-on-Trent, on the morning of Tuesday 30 March. They have all since been charged with theft. The charge relates to the theft of two black Labradors from outside a Marks & Spencer store in Beam Street, Nantwich. The dogs, which were stolen shortly after 6pm on Saturday 27 March, have been recovered from the Tunstall area of Stoke-on-Trent and reunited with their owners. Doherty, of McKinley Street, Tunstall; Docherty, of Metcalfe Road, Tunstall; and the 14-year-old boy have all been remanded in custody. They appeared at Warrington Magistrates' Court on Wednesday 31 March.

All three of them were released on conditional bail and are set to appear at Crewe Magistrates' Court on Tuesday 8 June.

Class A drug dealer jailed as a result of Warrington operation

A man from St Helens has been jailed as a result of an operation to tackle county lines drug dealing in Warrington. Liam Hill pleaded guilty to possession with intent to supply heroin and crack cocaine. The 25-year-old, of Humber Crescent, Sutton Leach, St Helens, was sentenced for the offences at Liverpool Crown Court on Friday 26 March. He was jailed for three-and-a-half years and ordered to pay a £181 victim surcharge. Hill was arrested by officers from the Warrington Beat Initiative Team on the morning of Wednesday 24 June. The officers were on patrol in Burtonwood, Warrington, on the back of intelligence regarding county lines drug dealing in the area. They spotted a known drug addict walk up to a grey Vauxhall Vectra on Perrins Road. He ran back into an address on the road following a brief exchange with someone in the car. The vehicle was subsequently stopped by officers, who saw Hill inside with what looked to be wraps of drugs on his lap. They subsequently seized the wraps from his seat, as well as wraps of drugs in the centre console of the car and in a tub in the footwell. In total, there were 20 individual street deals of heroin and nine of crack cocaine. The officers also seized £815 in cash from inside the car and mobile phones that Hill had been holding. Forensic examination of the phones uncovered messages regarding drug dealing. They also revealed that Hill was in debt to another man. The forensic examinations that were conducted also led to Hill's DNA being found on the tub containing drugs that was in the footwell of the car. Hill originally claimed when questioned in custody that the drugs in the car were for personal use. However, with the strength of the evidence that officers subsequently gathered against him, he had little choice other than to admit at court that he had been caught drug dealing. Following his sentencing, DS Tom Hall, who oversaw the investigation at Warrington CID, said: *"I am pleased that Liam Hill is now behind bars facing the consequences of his actions, and I hope that this case deters others from coming to Warrington or anywhere else in Cheshire to deal drugs. The case emphasises the importance of the police's power to stop and search people and vehicles they suspect to be involved in crime. It is essential to the crucial role that frontline officers play in the detection and prevention of serious and organised crime. As a result of our ability to stop the car that Hill was in and then search him and the vehicle, a class A drug dealer and a quantity of heroin and crack cocaine have been removed from our streets. He had come to the Burtonwood area of Warrington to sell the illegal drugs that have a hugely detrimental impact on communities. We had gathered intelligence regarding county lines drug dealing in the area and were conducting an operation to tackle it that morning. We will continue to tackle county lines drug dealing in Warrington and elsewhere in Cheshire head on, utilising all the resources at our*



disposal.” County lines drug dealing involves organised crime groups based in cities or urban areas extending their criminal enterprises into more rural locations.

The actions of these organised crime groups and the drugs that they supply causes untold damage to those who use the drugs and become dependent on them, as well as to the wider communities who suffer from the resulting crime. CI Neil Drum, of Warrington Local Policing Unit, said: *“I would like to thank the officers involved in this case for their sterling work in taking another drug dealer and class A drugs off the street. Drug dealing in Warrington or elsewhere in Cheshire will not be tolerated. While this investigation has now concluded, our fight against illegal drugs, and those who supply them, continues. Intelligence supplied by members of the public is crucial to this fight and I urge anyone with any information about suspected drug related activity in their community to get in touch. You will be listened to and we will investigate the matter.”* You can report suspected drug dealing to Cheshire Constabulary directly by calling 101 or giving the details online via <https://www.cheshire.police.uk/ro/report>. Alternatively, information can be given anonymously, via Crimestoppers, on 0800 555 111.

Bike thieves jailed and handed Criminal Behaviour Orders

Two men have been jailed and handed Criminal Behaviour Orders for stealing a series of bicycles in Chester. Steven Tebble, 44, and Christopher Macbeth, 38, stole 11 bikes in the city between Friday 2 October and Wednesday 9 December. They targeted valuable bicycles that had been left outside shops, high schools, a college, a pub, a fast food restaurant and even the Countess of Chester Hospital. Many had been left in designated bike racks. The pair used tools to cut chains off bicycles in order to steal them.



Steven Tebble

Christopher Macbeth

Macbeth tried to sell one of the stolen bikes online. His and Tebble’s downfall came when officers, acting on information supplied by city centre CCTV operators, caught the thieves with three stolen bikes in the nearby Saddlery Way on Wednesday 9 December. When they were arrested, Macbeth and Tebble were in possession of bolt cutters and pliers respectively. A subsequent search of Macbeth’s home subsequently led to a large number of bike parts being seized. This included a bike frame from one of the stolen bikes. When interviewed in custody, Tebble claimed that he had not stolen any bikes. He and Macbeth both refused to answer any questions, but the officers investigating bike thefts in Chester subsequently uncovered a raft of evidence against them. This included CCTV footage of them stealing bikes. The majority of the offences were captured on CCTV. Forensic and telecoms evidence and witness statements also linked the pair from Flintshire in North Wales to the 11 bike thefts. Tebble, of Tan Y Bryn in Buckley, and Macbeth, of Farm Road, Garden City, Deeside, were subsequently charged with conspiracy to steal bicycles. After being made aware of the extent of the evidence against them, they pleaded guilty to the offence at Chester Crown Court on Thursday 25 March. They were sentenced that day. Both men were jailed for 14 months and handed five-year Criminal Behaviour Orders (CBOs). Tebble was ordered to serve an additional four months in prison due to the sentencing having triggered a suspended sentence he received for a burglary he committed in North Street, Shotton, on Tuesday 7 July. PC Melissa Sawojka, who led the investigation into the bike thefts at Chester Local Policing Unit, said: *“Steven Tebble and Christopher Macbeth were travelling from North Wales to Chester to steal bicycles. The opportunist thieves travelled with tools they used to cut the chains off bikes that caught their eyes. We are all fully aware that being the victim of a bicycle theft is a deeply unpleasant experience. Anyone would be angry and upset to discover that their bicycle has been stolen, especially if they had taken the precaution of chaining it up outside. Tebble and Macbeth even targeted bikes that were chained up outside the Countess of Chester Hospital and a high school. Thankfully, CCTV operators spotted*

them stealing bicycles on Wednesday 9 December and we were subsequently able to locate the pair, arrest them and have the three bikes they had stolen that day returned to their rightful owners. Thanks to an extensive investigation and the strength of the evidence we were able to gather, Tebble and Macbeth have now been convicted of stealing them and eight other bikes and are now behind bars facing the consequences of their actions. When they are released from prison, they will have to adhere to the terms of CBOs for the next five years.” CBOs are preventative orders which are designed to stop people committing further offences. Breaching a CBO carries a maximum term of imprisonment of five years. The CBOs handed to Tebble and Macbeth prohibit them from:

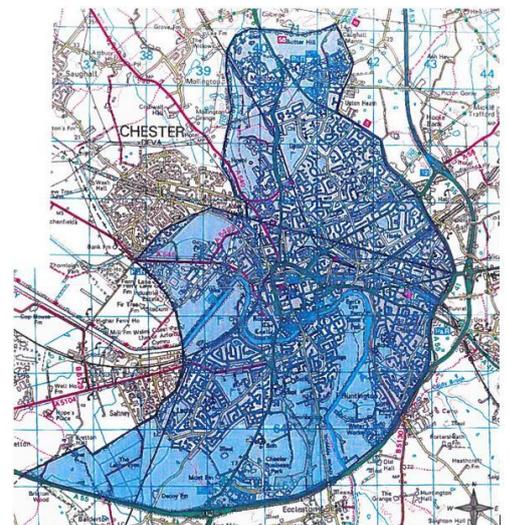
- Entering Chester city centre and other areas of the city they stole bikes from
- Being together in any public place in England or Wales
- Entering any educational grounds or bicycle storage area or cycle rack in England and Wales, unless they are retrieving their own bicycles, attending an accredited course or have express permission from someone working at the premises
- Possessing a bicycle or bike parts anywhere in England or Wales without proof of ownership or permission to use them
- Offering to sell on any social media platform any bicycle or bike parts without proof of ownership or permission from the user to sell them.

PC Sawojka added: *“I hope this case deters others from stealing bicycles and coming into Chester or elsewhere in Cheshire to commit crimes. I also hope that it highlights the fact that we take all reports of bike thefts seriously and do all we can to bring the thieves to justice.”*

Cheshire Constabulary’s advice for bicycle owners to reduce the chances of their bikes being stolen are:

- Store your bicycle securely at home in a garage or shed, or bring it inside your property
- Lock or chain bicycles together or to something fixed or bulky, as this reduces the chances of a thief being able to steal them
- Consider fitting a shed alarm and improve the exterior lighting around your home to deter offenders
- Property mark your bicycle frames using an ultraviolet pen or other form of property marking, to enable it to be returned to you should it be stolen and subsequently recovered by the police
- Always lock the building where the bicycle is stored using a good quality lock that can be bolted to the door and frame – use disc lock padlocks which have a less exposed shackle
- Park your bicycle in safe, well-lit places, ideally ones that are covered by CCTV
- Always lock your bike when leaving it outside, even if it’s only for a few minutes – secure your bike, including the frame and wheels, to a fixed and immovable object, such as a bike rack or lamp post, using a good quality bicycle lock
- Keep a note of the make, model and serial number of your bike, and make sure that you have photographs of it.

Anyone with information regarding bike thefts or the whereabouts of stolen bicycles should call Cheshire Constabulary on 101, give the details via <https://www.cheshire.police.uk/ro/report> or contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.



A map showing the area of Chester that the pair are banned from entering for the next five years

Father and son from Macclesfield charged with drug offences

A father and son have been charged after officers seized quantities of illegal drugs in Macclesfield. Desmond Clark and his son Nathan Clark, both of Sanders Square, Macclesfield, were arrested in the town in the early hours of Tuesday 18 February 2020. They have since both been issued with postal requisitions ordering them to appear at Stockport Magistrates' Court on Thursday 1 April. Nathan Clark, 24, will answer to charges of being concerned in the supply of class A drug cocaine and class B drug cannabis. Desmond Clark, 52, will answer to charges of permitting the use of his premises for the supply of the illegal drugs. The charges relate to a search that officers conducted at a property in Sanders Square, Macclesfield, in the early hours of Tuesday 18 February 2020. Quantities of illegal drugs were seized from the address.

Latest Cheshire Appeals

Police appeal for information following fatal collision in Marton

Police are appealing for witnesses following a fatal collision in Marton. At around 1.15am on 29 March a grey BMW was driving along Dalefords Lane in Marton near Winsford when it left the road and collided with a tree. Sgt Simon Degg said: *"The driver, a 29-year-old man from the Winsford area, sadly died at the scene. His next of kin have been informed and are being supported by specialist officers. I'd urge anyone who witnessed the collision or has dash cam footage that may help our investigation to contact us."* Anyone who may have any information or dash cam footage should contact Cheshire Police on 101 or via the [website](#) quoting IML 949839.

Detectives investigating an aggravated burglary in Widnes appeal for information

Detectives investigating an aggravated burglary in Widnes are encouraging the public to come forward with information. At 7.40pm on Saturday 27 March two men forced their way into a house on Greenwich Avenue using hammers. The men then threatened the occupants inside with a machete before fleeing the address and getting into a black car on Kensington Road. The car then sped off in the direction of Camberwell Park Road. One of the men is described as white, of a slim build and 5'8" tall. He was wearing dark clothing with a hat or head covering and a face mask. The other man is described as white, of a stocky build and 6'2" in height. He wore a grey tracksuit and a hat or head covering and a face mask.

An investigation is currently underway and police are asking the public to come forward with information, CCTV or dash cam footage to assist with their enquiries. DS Roberts, of Widnes Local Policing Unit, said: *"We believe this incident to be targeted and are following a number of lines of enquiry to establish the circumstances. As part of the investigation I am asking anyone who may have witnessed the incident or has any information to get in touch. While we conduct house-to-house enquiries and review CCTV footage in the area I am appealing to anyone with dashcam or CCTV footage to make contact with us."*

If you have information please contact Cheshire Police on 101 quoting IML 948917 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Man charged following collision in Widnes that has left girl in hospital with serious injuries

A man has been charged following a collision in Widnes that has left a 13-year-old girl from the town in hospital with serious injuries. Stuart Magee, of Hayes Avenue in Prescot, Knowsley, Merseyside, was arrested in Blackpool at around 5.15pm on Saturday 27 March. The 33-year-old has subsequently been charged with causing serious injury by dangerous driving, failing to stop after a collision and failing to report a collision. The charges relate to an incident involving a car and a pedestrian in Widnes that occurred shortly before 1pm on Saturday 27 March. The pedestrian sustained serious injuries as a result of the collision and was taken Alder Hey Children's Hospital in an ambulance after being assessed by paramedics. The teenage girl remains in a serious condition in the hospital receiving treatment. Magee appeared at Warrington Magistrates' Court on Monday 29 March. He was remanded in custody and is set to appear at Liverpool Crown Court on Monday 26 April. A 32-year-old woman from Prescot has also been arrested in connection with the collision. Arrested on suspicion of assisting an offender, she has been released under investigation pending further enquiries after being interviewed in custody.

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