



Kuring-gai NSW Police Local Area Command (LAC)

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This weekly eNewsletter is compiled by Neighbourhood Watch volunteers as a service for residents in the NSW Police Force Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC), which includes most of the Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai council areas. The eNewsletter is a new type of Neighbourhood Watch; utilising the available technology to keep people more connected and up-to-date with local crime and safety issues.

The eNewsletter includes a selection of posts from the Kuring Gai LAC Facebook page [click here](#) (also known as 'eyewatch'), primarily for those not familiar with Facebook. We add anything interesting from a Neighbourhood Watch point-of-view - this could be a local newspaper article, a roadwork warning, crime prevention tip(s), an upcoming Neighbourhood Watch meeting, Q&As from residents, or an item from an other Police command ("Crooks know no boundaries!"). Have you seen anything we should share with the community? [Click here](#) to email NHW in Ku-ring-gai and Hornsby. We do value your contributions. Thank you for your support.

Please feel free to share/forward this eNewsletter with your friends, family, colleagues and neighbours. **To subscribe, [click here](#).**

10 October: Here's some crime and incident stats from the weekend 8 - 9

October.

OFFENCES	Break & Enter	Malicious Damage	Stealing	Steal from motor vehicle
ARCADIA				
ASQUITH		1		
BEROWRA				
BROOKLYN				1
COWAN				
DURAL	1			
GALSTON			1	
GORDON				
HORNSBY	1	2	1	1
HORNSBY HEIGHTS				
KILLARA		1		
MT COLAH				
MT KURING GAI				
NORMANHURST				
PYMBLE			1	
ST IVES	1		1	
THORNLEIGH	1		1	
TURRAMURRA				
WAHROONGA			1	
WAITARA				
WARRAWEE				
WEST PYMBLE				2
WESTLEIGH				
Date range: 7/10 to 3pm 10/10				

Asquith: Malicious Damage 1

Brooklyn: Steal from Motor Vehicle

Dural: Break & Enter 1

Galston: Stealing 1

Hornsby: Break & Enter 1, Malicious Damage 2, Stealing 1, Steal from Motor Vehicle 1

Killara: Malicious Damage 1

Pymble: Stealing 1

St Ives: Break & Enter 1, Stealing 1

Thornleigh: Break & Enter 1, Stealing 1

Wahroonga: Stealing 1

West Pymble: Steal from Motor Vehicle 2

10 October, Crime Stoppers NSW

HELP KEEP YOUR FAMILY AND HOME SAFE. (PART 2 OF 7)

There are some important things to remember to help keep your family and home safe. Share these posts with your friends and family and discuss these points at

home.

WINDOWS...

* Windows are also a key entry point for burglars. All windows throughout the house must be locked. Window locks are generally inexpensive and are designed for all types of windows. Again if unsure about which locks are best suited seek advice from a locksmith.

* Windows leading into the garage also need to be locked.

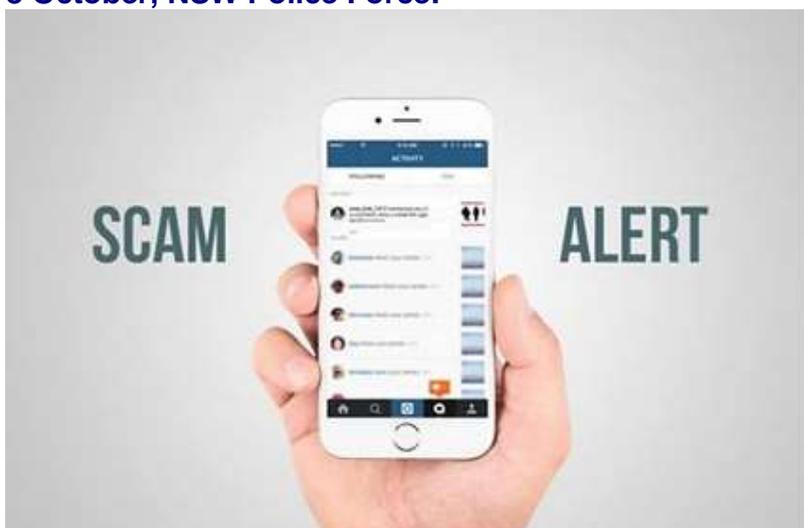
* If window locks are key operated, do not leave the keys in the locks. Thieves may break glass to unlock windows.

* Metal security grilles or shutters may be installed to restrict access to your home. However, caution should be exercised because if the shutters are not properly installed, they can trap occupants in an emergency such as a fire.

* Ensure doors and windows are mounted with non-removable screws.

If you have information that can help police solve a crime in relation to Break and Enters, please report online [here](#) or call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 (24/7). You can remain anonymous.

8 October, NSW Police Force:



Don't get hooked by this Instagram phishing scam.

A scam known as the 'Ugly List' is making the rounds on Instagram. Users are being tricked into thinking one of their friends has tagged them in a mean-spirited post.

How it works:

The victims get a notification from Instagram saying they've been tagged by a friend in a post called "Ugly List 2016." Inside the notification is a link, which supposedly takes you to the Ugly List post. The link is actually a phishing scam.

If you click on the malicious link, it takes you to a page that looks like the Instagram login. You have to enter your username and password before you are able to see the Ugly List.

DO NOT CLICK ON THE LINK in the notification, the login page is a fake.

8 October: NSW Road Safety



Please follow 24/7 speed limits whenever you're driving through a roadworks zone, because during roadworks, day or night, you never know what's up ahead.

Planning a trip this long weekend? Find out about road upgrades across NSW [here](#).

8 October, from NSW Police Force

Inquiries are continuing to locate the driver and any passengers who might have been travelling in a car that hit a retaining wall at Chatswood today (Saturday 8 October 2016).

About 12.30am a silver sedan was travelling along Milwood Avenue when it has left the road at hit a retaining wall and landed on its roof.

Those inside the vehicle were able to free themselves and left the scene before emergency services arrived.

Police would like to speak to a man and woman seen in the area after the crash as it is believed they might be able to assist with inquiries.

Police are urging anyone with information in relation to this incident to call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or use the Crime Stoppers online reporting page [here](#) Information you provide will be treated in the strictest of confidence. We remind people they should not report crime information via our Facebook and Twitter pages.

7 October, From Police Transport Command - NSW Police Force

Man charged after committing an act of indecency whilst travelling on train

About 11:30pm on Thursday 8 September 2016 the man boarded a train at Central Railway Station. He sat down across the aisle from the 16yo female who was travelling with her mother.

Around Hornsby Railway Station the victim witnessed the man committing an act of indecency while seated in the carriage. The victim told her mother who then informed the train guard.

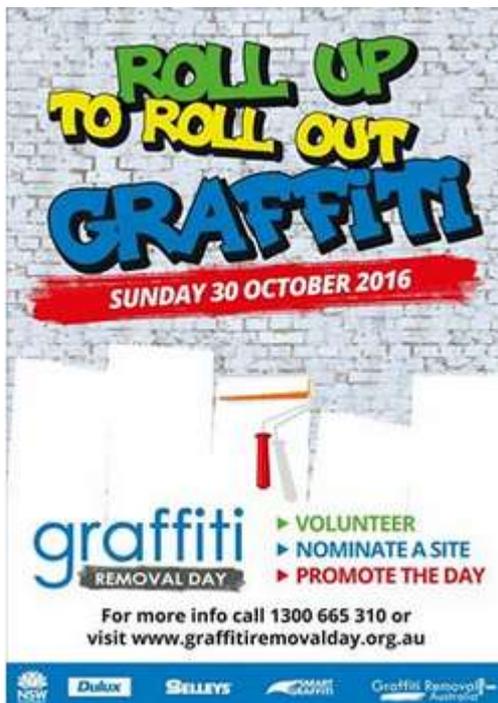
The matter was reported to police and initial investigation conducted by Brisbane Waters Police Transport Command.

On Thursday 6 September 2016, police attached to the Police Transport

Command North Central TAG, arrested the accused in Darlinghurst. The accused was taken to Kings Cross Police Station where he was interviewed and charged.

The accused was granted conditional bail to Downing Center Local Court on Tuesday 1 November 2016.

6 October, from NSW Police Force: Graffiti Removal Day



"Graffiti vandalism costs New South Wales over \$100 million per year. The New South Wales Government is committed to reducing graffiti vandalism by encouraging local communities to get involved in the removal and prevention of graffiti.

To support this goal the Government established a state-wide graffiti removal and prevention day known as "Graffiti Removal Day."

The aim of Graffiti Removal Day is to highlight the problem of graffiti and encourage people to volunteer their time to remove and prevent graffiti.

Graffiti Removal Day will take place on Sunday 30 October 2016.

To know more about the day or how to get involved, click on the links or call us on

1300 665 310.

Click [here](#) for more details.

5 October: Security & Safety Roadshow



Security & Safety Roadshow 05 October 2016 (jointly organised between Neighbourhood Watch, NSW Police - Kuring Gai LAC and Ku-ring-gai Council, as part of NHW Australasia's NHW Week 2016).

A beautiful, sunny day.

More than 200 visitors to the Town Hall.

Lots of happy children.

Police are friendly!

Made possible by people working together to help one another learn about Crime Prevention. The by-product? A great sense of community!

For a complete list of 'thank you's' to everyone who made the day possible, and for a programme of the day's activities, please go to the Neighbourhood Watch within

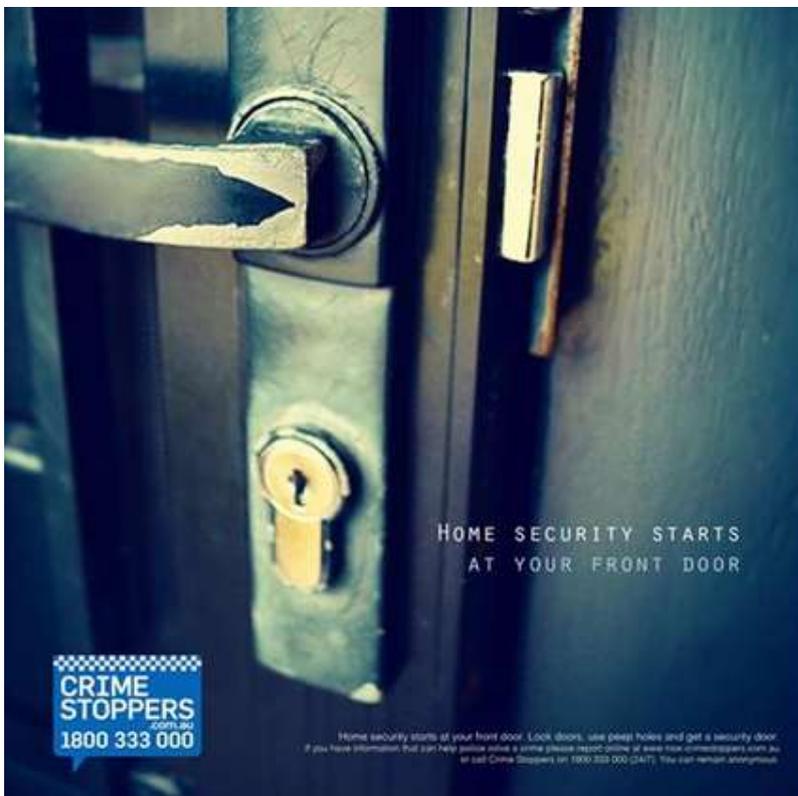
Read my guide to Homeby's webpage on the Roadshow [here](#).

4 October, NSW Police Force: Stay Smart Online

Do you know how to spot an online scam or hoax? If it looks too good to be true, it probably is. Find out more about how to spot a scam on our website.

For more, click here: [http:// bit.ly/2cOEJUL](http://bit.ly/2cOEJUL)

4 October, Crime Stoppers NSW



HELP KEEP YOUR FAMILY AND HOME SAFE. (PART 1 OF 7)

There are some important things to remember to help keep your family and home safe. Share these posts with your friends and family and discuss these points at home.

DOORS:

- Home security starts at your front door. Many burglaries occur because people fail to lock them before leaving the house even for a short period. There are a number of products available on the market and a locksmith will be able to identify

which is most suitable for your home situation.

- A peep hole (door viewer) allows you to recognise the person before you open the door for them.
- If your home has a security screen door installed, keep it locked.
- A number of burglars enter homes through the garage. If there is access from the garage, ensure this door is locked when leaving the house.

Lane Security has a range of locks which you can self install and buy at any major hardware retailer.

Find out more here: <http://www.itwproline.com.au/Lane-Security1/default.aspx>

When installing screen doors and screen windows, we recommend that you consider reputable companies such as Crimsafe.

Find out more [here](#)



Neighbourhood Watch
Creating Safer Communities

Report from The Security & Safety Roadshow - held on Wednesday 05 October 2016 @ Ku-ring-gai Town Hall, Pymble

Arranged by volunteers from all the Neighbourhood Watch groups within the NSW Police - Kuring Gai Local Area Command, jointly with Ku-ring-gai Council and NSW Police - Kuring Gai Local Area Command. Please have a look at the [website page set up specifically for the Roadshow](#), where we have listed 'Thank you's' for people and companies who supported us, either through donations, hard work, or by presenting or helping on the day. Your time was much appreciated.

Thanks on the day go to all our NHW volunteers & friends of NHW: Gay (E Killara), Tina (E Killara), Wal (E Killara), Di (E Killara), Amanda (St Ives), Julia (Gordon), Ralph (Berowra), Eva (Gordon), Christina, Mary, Phil (E Killara), Stan (Warrawee Valley), Mick (Mt Colah), Peter, Caedan, Lucia, Yiu Lam, Ian, Jeffery and Vicki. Thanks beforehand to David (Gordon), Robert, Nick, Liz, Darren, Caldonia, Jeff & Sue, Lauren, Keleigh and Zoya (St Ives). Thanks to our local

Police: Snr Cst Paul Cleary (CPO), Snr Cst Lynda Hart (SLP), Fiona Zhou (MCLO), Det Insp David Fairclough, Det Insp Frank Gilroy and Snr Cst Mal Baker (DVLO). Thanks to the presenters Matt Lowe (Jaycar), Roger Norman (Turramurra Rotary Graffiti Removal) and Vince Mico (Alert Locks & Security) and Marion +1 (K9 Nose Time). Thanks to our politicians: Mayor, Cllr Jennifer Anderson, Cllr Chantelle Fornari-Orsmond and Alister Henskens MP. Thanks to supporters: Neil and Triple H Community Radio 100.1FM, Pymble Hotel, Pymble Uniting Church, Target, Strandbags, KMart, North Shore Mums, The Uniform Exchange, TurraTots (Turramurra Occasional Child Care Centre) and Ride On!

The day was great! It could have been even better with more promotion, but nevertheless - it was great! Over 200 people attended and either heard the short presentations, watched informative videos, played with numerous Police toys and dress-ups, saw a sniffer dog demo, or had their photo taken. And the sun shone.

Photos and videos from the Roadshow can be viewed in an album especially set up on the [Kuring Gai LAC Facebook page](#) (Click here - you can view even if you aren't a Facebook-type-of-person!) Find your self in a pic, or have a look at what you missed!



Next year's event for NHW Australasia's NHW Week will be completely different. Already in the planning stage, it will feature a **Community Picnic at St Ives Village Green on Saturday 07 October 2017**. The idea at the moment is for an inaugural Flip-flop throwing contest, with winning teams by suburb. Sound like

you? Have you made a note of the date for your team?

Dates for the Diary:

Sunday 30 October: Graffiti Removal Day. [Info](#).

Thursday 24 November: Gordon NHW meeting 6pm @ Gordon Bowling Club - "Personal Safety"

Saturday 07 October 2017: Community Picnic as part of NHWA's NHW Week.

From the Hornsby Advocate, 6 October: To view online edition, [click here](#), and choose the newspaper name and date top-left.

Part of M2 Close tomorrow

“ Some weekend work may be required and directly impacted residents will be notified separately. RMS spokeswoman

The work to build an extra lane, a cycleway and an entry for the NorthConnex motorway is expected to take about 16 months.

Sections of the M2 between Pennant Hills Rd and Windsor Rd in both directions will be closed between 9pm and 5am Sunday to Thursday, weather permitting, until the end of February 2018.

A Roads and Maritime Services spokeswoman said creating a new westbound lane on the M2 would allow southbound motorists in the NorthConnex tunnel to merge safely with westbound traffic on the M2.

“There is currently one westbound lane closed 24 hours a day,” she said.

“This closure will be in place for about two years.

“This additional lane closure will only be overnight and for a length of about 700m and will vary on location depending on where the work is being carried out.

“Generally, there will be no work on Friday or Saturday nights.

“However, some weekend work may be required and directly impacted residents

will be notified separately.”

The M2 eastbound exit to Pennant Hills Rd will be closed between 6pm and 8am tomorrow, Saturday and Sunday, weather permitting.

A 10km detour will be via Windsor Rd, Old Northern Rd, Terminus St, Castle Hill Rd, and Pennant Hills Rd.

From the Hornsby Advocate, 6 October

FIRE DESTROYS FIBRO COTTAGE

**Jake McCallum
and Bev Jordan**

A HOUSE was completely gutted by fire in Galston yesterday, with fire crews battling to stop the blaze from spreading from the property.

NSW Fire and Rescue and Rural Fire Service crews put out the blaze that ripped through the Galston Rd home shortly after noon.

“The house is a three-bedroom fibro residence,” a Fire and Rescue spokeswoman said.

“Reports suggested the house was fully

alight and fire spread through grass fires to an adjoining caravan.”

Several RFS crews attended the blaze to fight the grass fires, according to a Hornsby RFS spokesman.

“Rural Fire Service (crews) from Galston, Arcadia, Dural, Glenorie, Westleigh, as well as Castle Hill Fire and Rescue worked to extinguish the blaze,” he said. “Everyone has been accounted for. We are examining the building for structural damage.”

Transport Management Centre said Galston Rd was closed in both directions during the operation.

THORNLEIGH

1 Police are calling for witnesses to help them understand how a garage caught fire at a home in Sinclair Ave on Sunday about 4.55pm. The resident said he heard bangs from what he thought was the backyard, before he saw a fire near the garage and attempted to put it out. The fire spread to the garage before police and fire crews attended. A crime scene was established and the victim was treated by paramedics at the scene. Police ask witnesses to call Crimestoppers on [1800 333 000](tel:1800333000) or Hornsby Police on [9476 9799](tel:94769799).

COWAN

2 Two trucks collided on the M1 Motorway at Cowan, trapping one driver about 4am on Friday. Police, Fire & Rescue, RFS, and paramedics worked to free the driver before he was taken to Royal North Shore Hospital with non life-threatening injuries. The other driver was uninjured. Traffic delays were caused, but all lanes were open by 7.30am.

DURAL

3 Thieves tried to break into a building on a construction site in Old Northern Rd last week. The attempt happened some time between 4.30pm on Wednesday and 7.10am on Thursday, last week. It is believed nothing was taken.

NORTH TURRAMURRA

5 A man was admitted to the mental health unit of a hospital after reports he had allegedly taken an overdose of sleeping tablets on Sunday at a home on Miowera St. The man was taken to hospital in a stable condition and scheduled under the mental health act by police.

DURAL

8 NSW Ambulance paramedics were called to a Dural home after a woman was burned while lighting a gas oven on Wednesday, September 21. The woman, believed to be in her 30s, received burns to her face, and it is believed a build-up of gas ignited. Paramedics treated her before taking her to Royal North Shore Hospital.

HORNSBY

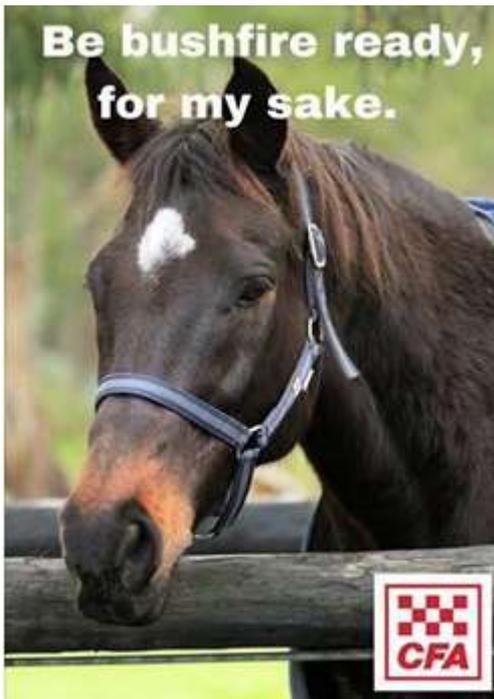
4 Police and the fire brigade were called to a fire about 10.25pm on Sunday which was contained in a bin at Linda St, police investigations continue.

HORNSBY

6 Police arrested and charged a man for breaching his bail conditions on Sunday night in Hornsby. About 6.55pm police received information about an offender on bail at the concourse of Hornsby Westfield. Police then spoke to security guards at Westfield and found the man at the intersection of Burdett and Sherbrook Rd. Police arrested the man and he was refused bail to face court at a future date.

HORNSBY

10 A Gumtree auction website shopper claims to be the victim of an alleged fraud, after transferring money to buy a camera that was advertised on September 10. The alleged offender told the online shopper that funds had been received but no receipt was provided. The online shopper has not received the item and the alleged offender will be interviewed by police.



A picture tells a thousand words. Check out our NED database and register your offer of help to those in need with animals [here](#). Make sure you don't miss the opportunity to speak to us at EQUITANA, where we will be on hand with information and advice on preparing your horses for the coming bushfire season. For details, click [here](#).

7 October, BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH:

OCTOBER IS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH *BreastScreen NSW*

<p>9 in 10 women diagnosed with breast cancer do not have a family history.</p>	<p>FREE It's free!</p>
<p>All women aged 50-74 should have a breast screen every 2 years.</p>	<p>Over 150 locations in NSW.</p>
<p>A mammogram can pick up breast cancers that can't be seen or felt.</p>	<p>Call 132050 to book your free mammogram.</p>
<p>Takes only 20 minutes.</p>	<p>breastscreen.nsw.gov.au</p>

THIS OCTOBER REMEMBER TO HAVE YOUR SCREENING MAMMOGRAM

6 October, Business | Stay Smart Online



Business owners face additional challenges when maintaining online safety and security including expensive equipment, staff and sensitive corporate information. Online security is about protecting your information, which is often the most critical and valuable asset a business will own.

The following topics are of specific interest to business owners:

- Protecting your business
- Secure your internet connection
- Secure your computers
- Back-up your data.

Online criminals are now actively targeting smaller businesses because they believe their devices are vulnerable.

Click [here](#) for more information.

6 October, From the Office of the Children's Safety Commissioner

Parents—help your child have safe online experiences. Download Parent's guide to online safety [here](#).

Walk Your Dog

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Even if you have a backyard,
let them see the rest of the world.

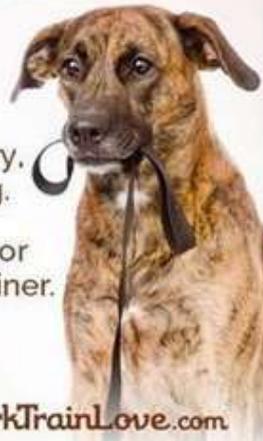
Even if they're 10 pounds and pad trained,
let them sniff the grass.

Even if they're older,
let them walk a little slower.

Whether you live in the country,
suburbs, or city, walk your dog.

If your dog pulls on the leash, or
is reactive, get help from a trainer.

Then walk your dog
better, longer, happier.



BarkTrainLove.com

From 'Dumbest Criminals, compiled by Wendy Lewis. Published by New Holland.

Some criminals behave just like fine upstanding citizens, Take a certain fellow who didn't want to be late for his first bank job. Knowing the bank opened at 10.00am, he arrived at 9.45 and waited outside politely in line with the other customers – only thing was, he was dressed in full robbery gear: hooded sweater, gloves and face mask. As a police officer later observed: 'You have to wonder what they're thinking' or, if they are thinking.

Important Contacts

Emergency (Police/Fire/Ambulance) 000

Kuring-gai Local Area Command (LAC) 9476 9799

Hornsby Police Station, 292 Peats Ferry Road (ex-Pacific Hwy), Hornsby 2077

Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000

Report crime anonymously

Report suspicious activity asap

Police Assistance Line (PAL) 131 444

For non-urgent minor crime

Kuring-gai Crime Prevention Officer 9476 9723

Local Police Facebook page: [Kuring Gai LAC](#)

Non-emergency two-way communication

Interpreting & Translating Services 131 450

Never be afraid or embarrassed to report a crime, concern or fear you have to the Police. The Police are here to help you.

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