

May 2025

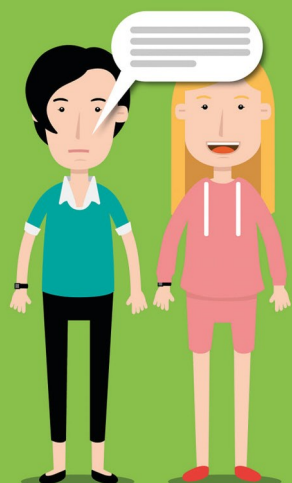
A MONTHLY ROUND UP OF NEWS & EVENTS

WORKING TO REDUCE KNIFE CRIME

During May, your Neighbourhood Policing Team have been working to see a reduction in knife crime. As a result of Op. Sceptre we have asked for community support in the safe disposal of unwanted knives or bladed articles, to reduce the risk of them being used as weapons. We have been out in our communities having open conversations to raise awareness and signs to look out for. We deployed our knife arch into Rayleigh town, which allowed for a better understanding of the equipment we use to prevent and detect.



Our Town Centre Team was supported by dedicated Police Cadets, who joined together for a proactive evening of test purchasing across the district, during which our young cadets attempted to purchase knife related products at the till points, both manned and self-service, from a variety of stores and we are pleased to say that on all occasions no sales were authorised and we spent time in our schools, discussing antisocial behaviour, criminality and the risks regarding knives. If you have any information about any crime which will support us, please let us know online or by calling 101, alternatively, you can report anonymous to Crimestoppers, by visiting their website or by calling 0800 555 111.



**Domestic abuse is all about control.
If you notice that someone seems to
be controlled in all areas of their life,
it could be a sign they are being abused.**

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**Now there's a quick
online alternative to
calling 101 or visiting
a police station:
DIGITAL 101**



Do it online at:
essex.police.uk

**IN AN EMERGENCY
ALWAYS CALL 999**

We are offering more ways of keeping you up to date with our work across Rochford District through our weekly e-newsletter, called Dispatch.

Every Wednesday, our local Dispatch provides our communities with a weekly overview of district news, along with crime prevention advice, information of upcoming events, and much more.

Try online for free and unsubscribe at any time by visiting: essex.police.uk/enewsletter and follow us via the tab for the 'Rochford edition'.



We have continued to be as visible as possible in key locations across the district.

We have been focusing our patrols based on what we know, and what our community tells us.

Information you feel we need to be aware of can be reported online at www.essex.police.uk/ro/report/

Use can be made of the 'Live Chat' button to speak to an online operator between 10am - 9pm.

Alternatively, you can call 101.

Additionally, if there is somewhere in particular that makes you feel unsafe, you can have your say, by

visiting: <https://essexcommsafety.commonplace.is/>

Reporting helps us to have a full understanding of what is happening and where.

We can then tackle issues effecting you with our partners at Rochford District Council.

DISTRICT STATISTICS



District Statistics for Rochford – April 2025

**District Commander:
Chief Inspector Paul Hogben**



A snapshot of some of the things your Rochford Officers dealt with during April 2025:

We helped to find 13 people who were reported missing and helped them to get the support they needed.

We investigated 34 reports of antisocial behaviour having listened to local communities about the things which were causing them concern.

We attended 23 road traffic collisions, helping to keep those involved safe and our roads moving.

We investigated 121 reports of domestic violence incidents and made sure victims were given help, support, and advice, putting them in contact with relevant organisations where appropriate.

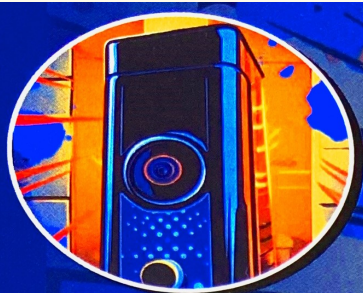
We solved 53 crimes, ensuring those intent on committing crime are held accountable for their actions.

We submitted 180 pieces of intelligence, which assists us in targeting criminal activity in our community.

Our officers also stopped and searched 30 people within our district, to make sure they weren't carrying anything which could cause harm to themselves or someone else.



JOIN US IN WORKING TOGETHER



Do you have a security or doorbell camera?

Sign up to the **Kent and Essex CCTV Registry** and help **keep your community safe.**

It's free, secure, and quick to register

Your camera footage could be used to support investigations, bringing criminals to justice, and making your area a safer place to live and work.

Find out more and sign up to help at:
cctvregistrykentandessex.co.uk

Please note:

- The registry will **not have access to your cameras.**
- Police can **only view the location** of registered cameras.
- The camera owner will **always be contacted** to request any footage.



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Do it online at:
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FRAUD SURVEY

The Essex Multi Agency Against Fraud (MAAF) partnership brings together agencies including the Police, local councils and community groups to find ways to protect people from fraud/scams and support victims.

They have launched a new survey to gain a deeper insights into the types of fraud affecting our neighbourhoods.

Have your say and help shape the future work of MAAF.

The survey closes 8 June 2025, and can be complete online here:

<https://consultations.essex.gov.uk/equalities-and-partnership/fraud-survey/>

UPCOMING EVENTS

We hold regular events across the district every month, which gives our residents the opportunity to speak to the team face to face.

Here are some dates for your diary...

LET'S TALK EVENTS

- 24 May - 11am to 12pm - Spa Road, Hockley SS5 4BE
- 25 May - 11am to 12pm - Golden Cross Parade, SS4 1UB
- 27 May - 10:30am to 11:30am - Roch. Banking Hub, SS4 1AJ
- 27 May - 2pm to 3pm - M&S Rayleigh, SS6 7JQ
- 3 June - 12pm to 2pm - Asda Rayleigh, SS6 9RN
- 3 June - 10:30 to 11:30am - Clements Hall, Hockley SS5 4LN
- 21 June - 2pm to 3pm - M&S Rayleigh, SS6 7JQ
- 21 June - 5pm to 6pm - Tesco Extra, Rayleigh, SS6 9BN
- 22 June - 12pm to 2pm - Asda Rayleigh, SS6 9RN
- 23 June - 4pm to 5pm - Co-op, 1-9 Ferry Road, Hullbridge SS5 6DN
- 24 June - 10:30am to 11:30am - Roch. Banking Hub, SS4 1AJ
- 27 June - 7am to 9am - Hockley Train Station, SS6 7HJ
- 27 June - 10am to 12pm - Co-op, Spa Road, Hockley
- 30 June - 10:30 to 11:30am - Clements Hall, Hockley SS5 4LN
- 30 June - 2pm to 3pm - B&M, Airport Retail, SS2 6FW

Please note, all Neighbourhood events are subject to change due to operational policing demand.



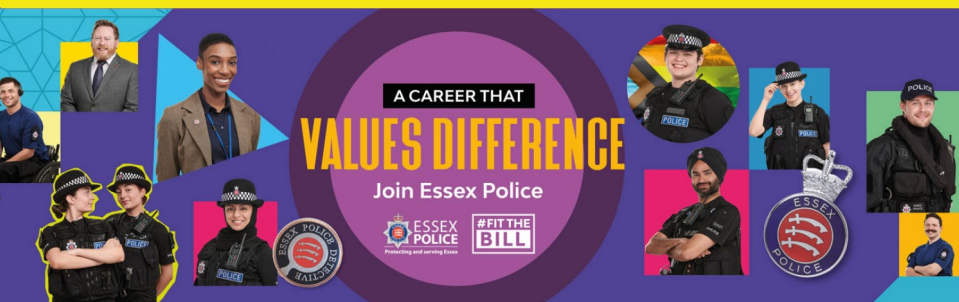
Digital 101

Crime Prevention <https://www.essex.police.uk/cp>

You can report non-emergency crime by calling **101** or by using **Digital 101**, our quick and easy to use online service that's available at any time.



Digital 101 is available on the Essex Police website: [essex.police.uk](https://www.essex.police.uk)



If you, or anyone you know, is interested in protecting and serving Essex, you can follow us on social media, or search **#FitTheBill**