

Afraid to report something to the Police?

As a citizen of Woking there is an expectation on you to report incidents and crime to the Police, but not everyone feels they are able to do that. You may be in a personal or family relationship where reporting anything to the Police would be difficult. Or you may feel that what you report may be traced back to you, with unfortunate consequences for you or your family.

But there has been an alternate available for quite some time. It is called CrimeStoppers.

This charitable organisation (not funded by the government and so does not have to take orders from them) will take calls from anyone who wants to report a crime or incident but who also wants to remain 100% anonymous. Crimestoppers guarantees that the caller's details, or anything that may help identify them, will NEVER be included with the report. They have a 100% record in reporting anonymously. Not a single caller to CrimeStoppers has been able to be identified by the Police. 0800 555 111.

So, if you want to report something anonymously about drug dealing, violence against women and girls, modern slavery, domestic abuse, human trafficking, etc then CrimeStoppers is ideal. It may well be you who is the victim. 0800 555 111.

As with any serious crime, it is important to report immediately so that the details can be passed on to the Police in a timely manner and to "catch the moment". CrimeStoppers will take calls in any language, so just tell them what language you speak when you get through on the phone. You can also submit details online, also 100% anonymously >> <https://crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information/forms/give-information-anonymously>

Crimestoppers will have a van touring ASB hot spots in Surrey during the week 19th-22nd July. Look out for it. As a charity, they are very happy to take donations, and for people to volunteer. For more details about them please visit: <https://crimestoppers-uk.org/>

And don't forget the number: 0800 555 111

If you want to call 999 for the Police but are not able to speak at that moment, there is a Silent Solution whereby the Police will understand that you cannot talk and so will deal with your call appropriately.

https://www.policeconduct.gov.uk/sites/default/files/Documents/research-learning/Silent_solution_guide.pdf

Do you want to report a crime and are OK to leave your contact details?

- Telephone: 999 if time is of the essence or you are in danger.
- Telephone 101 if not an emergency and time is not of the essence (or textphone [07860 097227](tel:07860097227))
(If you have a hearing or speech impairment use the free textphone service. Register at: <https://www.relayuk.bt.com/how-to-use-relay-uk/contact-999-using-relay-uk.html>)
- On-line Chat: <https://www.surrey.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/> >> "Live chat" link bottom right (this is the same as phoning 101).
- Report on-line: <https://www.surrey.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/>
- Social media: Messenger on Woking Beat facebook/Twitter

All the above go to the one Surrey Police call centre.

Want to contact Surrey Police about something else? >> <https://www.surrey.police.uk/contact/af/contact-us/>

Be a citizen. Report, report, report.