



HELP PREVENT OIL THEFT

Police are urging homeowners to ensure their oil tanks are secured correctly as we approach the colder months in the run up to Christmas.

You can help protect your oil by following some simple precautions:

- 1. LOCK YOUR GATES.** The simple act of keeping your garden or drive gates closed and securely locked, can help deter theft. Ensure that all your gates and fences are in good repair and access can't be easily made.
- 2. CONSIDER DISGUIISING YOUR TANK** with fencing, trellis and defensive planting. The planting of hostile, thorny shrubs around your tank and boundaries can provide extra protection. Good examples of defensive plants are Pyracantha, Berberis, Climbing Rose, Hawthorn and even Gooseberry.
- 3. CREATE OBSTACLES WHERE POSSIBLE.** Plant pots and general garden equipment can be placed in the path of any potential intruders. Obstacles will make noise and waste the time of thieves targeting a tank, as moving the items or navigating around them will slow them down. However, remove and secure any tools or ladders which could be used as an aide to commit crime.
- 4. LIMIT THE QUANTITY OF FUEL IN YOUR TANK.** Full tanks are a popular target, so consider limiting the amount of oil that you have in your tank at any one time.
- 5. LOCK YOUR TANK.** Use a good quality, alarmed padlock or install lockable caps with crop-proof fittings. Where possible fit hardened flexible casings to any vulnerable fuel hoses so that they are harder to cut.
- 6. FIT A 'LEVEL GAUGE' WITH AUDIBLE ALARM.** The alarm should sound if the oil level in the tank suddenly drops, or falls below a certain point.
- 7. CONSIDER INSTALLING SECURITY LIGHTING AND CCTV.** Lights can not only warn you of an intruder but also alert neighbours and passing patrols.
- 8. INSTALL A 'TANK CAGE OR GUARD'.** This is particularly important if you have already suffered a fuel theft. These welded cages offer the best protection while still allowing tanker access. Although this solution may seem expensive, when weighted up against the cost of lost fuel and/or a new tank that may be damaged during fuel theft, it can prove more cost effective in the long term. Such cages can also be alarmed as an additional layer of security.
- 9. SITE YOUR TANK CLEVERLY.** If you have cause to re-site your tank or are installing a fuel tank for the first time, ensure that it is placed in a secure location - visible from your home and surrounding properties but not from the road.

A report can also be made online using the non-emergency reporting form via <http://www.psni.police.uk/makeareport/>. You can also contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 or online at <http://crimestoppers-uk.org/>.



Interested in setting up a neighbourhood watch scheme in your area?

To find out more about setting up a scheme in your area, or for further information on Neighbourhood Watch email: pcsp@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk or call 028 703 47034.

MESSAGE FROM PCSP CHAIRPERSON ALDERMAN ADRIAN MCQUILLAN



What are the top priorities you think the PCSP should focus on? We are really keen to hear from you!

As you may be aware Causeway Coast and Glens Policing and Community Safety Partnership (PCSP) has been working to help improve Community Safety and Policing throughout this area. PCSPs are statutory bodies established under the Justice Act (Northern Ireland) 2011 to help make communities safer.

As part of the development of a Policing and Community Safety Strategy and Action Plan we are asking you what you think to prioritise what the police should be focusing on and what programmes we should be implementing as a result.

This is a one question survey but the information you provide will be considered by the Partnership along with various other consultations completed in the past two years.

The survey link is: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/CausewayCoastandGlensPCSP> or you can access it from the Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council website under PCSP

Thank you for your time.

Ald Adrian McQuillan
PCSP Chairperson



**PROTECT
YOUR
PROPERTY**

Causeway Coast and Glens Policing and Community Safety Partnership (PCSP) and the PSNI are working in partnership with Can Track Global Ltd to electronically monitor and assist in the recovery of stolen property in the Causeway Coast and Glens area. This scheme will provide a significant reduction of £200 towards the cost of a tracker unit and subscription.

Applicants will be marked against a set criteria including crime pattern analysis via the PSNI. Availability of tracker devices is limited.

To apply for the scheme please request a form from pcsp@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk or call **028 207 62225** for more information.

This is a rolling scheme, applications will be accessed monthly.
The scheme will close when all devices are allocated.

Causeway Coast and Glens PCSP Small Grants

Causeway Coast and Glens PCSP small grants programme 2022/23 is still open.

Grants are up to £999 for projects or events that will help prevent, reduce, address crime, and help people feel safer in their own communities.

Applying organisations must be from within or operating within the Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council area.

Guidance notes and application forms are available on the Causeway Coast and Glens Borough Council website under grants.

Alternatively, call if you are unsure if your group can apply call our PCSP Officer on **07523 942 166**.

Police Service of Northern Ireland launches first action plan to tackle violence against women and girls



The Police Service of Northern Ireland has formally launched its first Tackling Violence against Women and Girls (VAWG) Action Plan for policing.

Women and girls in Northern Ireland are disproportionately affected by violence, abuse and intimidation. From April 2021 to March 2022, in Northern Ireland, they made up 78% of all victims of sexual crimes, 68% of domestic abuse, 64% of harassment and as of April 2022, 95% of stalking crimes.

This makes tackling VAWG a top priority for the Police Service of Northern Ireland, and today, Chief Constable Simon Byrne has said the service is 'sending a strong message that it will not be tolerated' and that if you are targeting women and girls 'you will be relentlessly pursued'.

This important document sets out, for the first time in Northern Ireland, a clear framework for how the Police Service will play its part to tackle this important and enduring societal issue.

It is aligned with the UK National Strategy under three key pillars:

- 1. BUILDING TRUST AND CONFIDENCE IN POLICING TO TACKLING VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS**
- 2. RELENTLESSLY PURSUING PERPETRATORS OF VIOLENCE AND SUPPORTING VICTIMS**
- 3. CREATING SAFER SPACES FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS**



The Action Plan is focused on prevention, early intervention, partnership working and enhanced support for victims and has been influenced at a local level in collaboration with numerous key partners for example, experts within the wider criminal justice system and victim support and advocacy groups.

Chief Constable Simon Byrne said:

“We cannot ignore the lived experiences of so many female victims. Harassment, intimidation, violence and abuse is a violation of human dignity.

“We will be working to better recognise, understand, address and reduce the fear experienced by women and girls.

“We can and we will be pursuing those who seek to harm them, using every power available to us.

“Through our action plan we will also be focused on bettering our own culture and continuing to educate our officers and staff to understand the impact of unacceptable attitudes and behaviours, taking effective and appropriate action against those who may take advantage of their trusted position in society.”

Read more about how we will be working to tackle Violence against Women and Girls here: www.psni.police.uk/vawg

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Other Useful Numbers IN AN EMERGENCY CALL – Call 999

NEW SERVICE: 999BSL for deaf/
hearing impaired

Download the 999BSL app or open
the webpage 999bsl.co.uk

- Press the red button 'Call 999 BSL
now'

- Connect to an interpreter

PSNI non emergency number – 101

Crimestoppers – 0800 555 111

**24 Hours Domestic & Sexual
Violence Helpline – 0808 802 1414**

**Causeway and Mid Ulster
Women's Aid – 028 703 56573**

Foyle Women's Aid – 028 714 16800

**Crime Prevention Officer
– 07764 638 397**

Childline – 0800 1111

Action Fraud – 0300 123 2040

Victim Support NI – 028 713 70086



Causeway Coast and Glens PCSP

Causeway Coast and Glens PCSP would like to hear your view on any aspect of
Policing and Community Safety;

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Ballymoney: Riada House, 14 Charles Street, BT53 6DZ

Ballycastle: Sheskburn House, 7 Mary Street, BT54 6QH

Email: pcsp@causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk 028 703 47034

Further information on the PCSP and its members can be found:
www.causewaycoastandglens.gov.uk/live/policing-and-community-safety-partnership



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