MELTON GRANGE ROAD AREA



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH ASSOCIATION



HELLO NEIGHBOURS December 2025

Myself and my team would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, safe New Year.

For many of us the beginning of November brought a significant prolonged unplanned power outage. I hope that those affected were able to locate some form of lighting, maybe the saving grace was that it occurred during the latter part of the day while it was still light. For those not so fortunate, I'm sure torches and candles have been purchased ready in case there are any more. I would recommend that you sign up to received up to date message via your smart phone from UK Power Networks (Google: UK Power Networks or call 08000 029 4285), I was impressed with their communications. The noise from the standby generator for approximately 24 hours was a small price to pay to continue receiving power.

CRIME FIGURES are shown in the link below along with other interesting stats for the year ending September 2025 in the Woodbridge/Melton area:

https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/suffolk-constabulary/deben-and-orford/?yourlocalpolicingteam=about-us

PARKING NEAR THE WOODBRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

I would like to seek your thoughts once again regarding the car parking in our area during school start/finish times and other occasions. I did broach this subject with the Headteacher at the Primary School and was assured that regular mention is made in their school newsletters. However, in some instances careful parking is not what some drivers adhere to despite the occasional presence of the Parking Enforcement Officer. I would also like to gauge your opinion on whether I should approach the local authorities regarding the installation of "20 mph" speed signs on Melton Grange Road, Melton Meadow Road, and Wilkinson Way. There has been a recent article in the EADT which highlighted a young boy in Trimley St Martin who suffered a fractured hip and bruising when struck by a car close to his school. He was invited by our local MP to deliver a letter to Downing Street calling for improved road safety outside schools. Suffolk County Council said In July it would support this on a local basis. PLEASE EMAIL ME WITH YOUR COMMENTS.

Here are a couple of the recent scams as highlighted by "Which"?

Loft insulation. With the colder months upon us unsolicited calls about loft insulation are circulating. Recipients of such calls have claimed of being asked if they have white fluffy stuff in their loft, told that their property has been identified as having loft insulation that would cause condensation and damp and being offered free loft insulation services. Which? Has previously reported on fraudsters targeting people in spray foam loft insulation scams. You can report phone scams on a mobile by forwarding the number to 7726.

A very clever banking scam. Which? Recently spoke to someone who had received a very detailed email about changes to their Club Lloyds account. The giveaway was they didn't bank with Lloyds!! An expert from Which? took a closer look at the email and found a highly convincing banking scam that could easily catch out unsuspecting Lloyds customers. See what she discovered and how to spot similar attempts.

SUSPECT EMAILS: forward to the Suspicious Email Reporting Service (SERS) at report@phishing.gov.uk. SUFFOLK NEIGBOURHOOD WATCH NEWS WITH A CHRISTMAS MESSAGE www.suffolknwa.co.uk/news.html

LATEST SCAMS: www.which.co.uk/news/tag/scam-alert

SUSPECT TEXT MESSAGES: forward to 7726 (free of charge).

VICTIM OF FRAUD: inform your bank and report to Action Fraud. 0300 123 2040 or online at www.actionfraud.police.uk/

USEFUL CONTACTS

Call 101 for non-urgent matters. Always call 999 in emergencies.

Crime prevention advice: Suffolk Police website at: www.suffolk.police.uk/advice

Local information: www.suffolknwa.co.uk or www.suffolk.police.uk/news

To report something, or otherwise to contact Police use: www.suffolk.police.uk/contact-us

To report something anonymously call Crimestoppers on: 0800 555 111 or visit www.crimestoppers-uk.org

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