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CSP welcomes new member



The Community Safety Partnership has welcomed Lydia Barlow to the role of Community Safety and Projects Support Officer.

Lydia's role is funded by the Police and Crime Commissioner to help the CSP board achieve its objectives.

Lydia graduated from Anglia Ruskin University in 2025 where she studied Psychology with Criminology.

During her degree, Lydia found herself interested in youth offending and eventually wishes to work with young people who are at risk of offending or have already started offending.

Lydia said "My parents always provided a refuge for people in their most desperate times which I believe has greatly influenced and inspired me to follow a similar path by being that helping hand for people when they most need it."

CCTV volunteers being sought

Ely City Council is seeking volunteers to help monitor CCTV cameras. The council wants to hear from anyone who has a keen eye for detail and can spare a few hours a week to help monitor the service, which is run entirely by volunteers. Call 01353 523179 or email cctv@cityofelycouncil.org.uk

Did you know...

- there are approximately 4 million CCTV cameras in the UK alone
- on average a person is recorded on CCTV about 300 times a day
- anywhere between 16 and 51 crimes are prevented per 100 due to the use of CCTV



White Ribbon Day 2025: We Speak Up

We're proud to speak up for women and girls, we believe everyone has the right to feel safe, respected, and equal at work, at home, and in public spaces.

We're encouraging everyone to speak up and support those who do because even the smallest action can make a big difference. Every time we ignore something that doesn't feel right, we miss a chance to set a better example.

More information on We Speak Up is available on the [White Ribbon website](#) or you can

email the Community Safety Partnership for more details and information on how to become White Ribbon Accredited: communitysafety@eastcambs.gov.uk



PCC takes the helm of Road Safety Partnership and announces £20k funding



Police and Crime Commissioner Darryl Preston has formally taken on the role of Chair of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Road Safety Partnership – the Vision Zero Board.

The Vision Zero Partnership exists to prevent road deaths across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough and significantly reduce the severity of injuries and subsequent costs and social impacts of road traffic collisions.

Darryl took on his new role as Chair at the Partnership's Board meeting on Monday 29 September where details of a new £20k Road Safety Fund were also unveiled.

The scheme will award small grants of up to £3,500 to statutory organisations to help them address local road safety priorities and to support the partnership's work to reduce deaths and serious injuries on the county's roads. A total of £20k will be available up to the end of March 2026.

Focus on: Ask for Clive



Pubs and other venues across the region are being encouraged to register with Ask For Clive.

Ask for Clive is a charity that partners with venues to promote inclusion and to create welcoming environments for the LGBTQ+ community.

The organisation collaborates with venues and organisations to promote LGBTQ+ inclusion, create welcoming spaces, and enforce a zero-tolerance policy against LGBTQ+ discrimination and hate.

The charity was established in 2019 in response to the increasing incidence of homophobia and transphobia in the UK. In its inaugural year, Ask for Clive forged partnerships with 2000 venues, and has enjoyed continuous growth.

It aims to work with pubs and a wide range of venues - such as clubs, theatres, universities, tattoo parlours, social clubs and churches to eradicate discrimination towards the LGBTQ+ community and ensure a positive and inclusive environment for all.

The charity also launched Pub Pride in 2021 as a way for pubs and venues to celebrate Pride Month with the community. Venues are encouraged to put on a night of entertainment with and for the community and to raise funds.

To become an Ask for Clive (AFC) venue costs just £25, although discounts are available if funds are an issue.

When you become an Ask for Clive venue, you show your commitment to inclusivity and safety. Subscribers receive AFC stickers to display, a training pack for staff, a monthly newsletter with AFC news and safeguarding info and promotion on AFC social media.

Registered venues will also be added to the AFC venue map. Find out more at: [Register as an Ask For Clive Venue – Ask For Clive](#)

PSPO consultation in the new year

East Cambridgeshire District Council and the police are working together to bring in new measures to tackle antisocial driving across East Cambridgeshire. If plans for a district wide Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) are approved, it would give the council and the police power to issue on the spot £100 fixed penalty notices for drivers. It will also be possible to prosecute offenders through the Magistrates' Court. A community survey that took place on 8 September showed that 85% of the public who completed the survey, feel that antisocial driving is critical in its importance. The PSPO issue has been raised by the East Cambs Problem Solving Group (PSG), a multiagency operational subgroup of the East Cambridgeshire Community Safety Partnership Board (CSP). In the new year there shall be a consultation regarding this matter.

Police support Safer Business Action Week

Safer Business Action (SaBA) is a national initiative designed to tackle business and retail crime while strengthening collaboration between police, retailers, and local communities.

During the week long event between 10 and 16 October members of the police neighbourhood team visited businesses in Soham, Fordham and Ely to share crime prevention advice, listen to concerns and encourage shop owners to report thefts.





County Youth Work Conference a success

Various youth agencies got to showcase their work at the County Youth Work Conference in Ely on Saturday 15 November.

Presentations were held on Navigating youth work in the age of AI, Music for wellbeing, Why youth voice matters and Sexual harassment and VAWG.

The event, which was attended by members of the Community Safety Partnership, provides a great opportunity for sharing experiences and networking.





The Community Safety Partnership is made up of organisations working together to
Protect their local community from crime and to help people feel safer

