



## **WEST MOORS HOME WATCH BULLETIN**

### **IN CONJUNCTION WITH DORSET POLICE**

Release date: 02nd February 2010

**Garden thefts** - There have been several thefts from gardens of scrap metal by a male using a white Ford Transit vehicle within the east Dorset area. Any sightings of such a vehicle in suspicious circumstances please report.

#### **Theft of car number plates Ferndown area**

Two cars and a trailer have had the number plates stolen in the past three weeks; one car was parked over night in Sainsbury's Ferndown the other vehicles were attacked on the owners drive or outside the owners address. This may be done to facilitate fuel theft at filling stations.

Also, between 5th and 25th Jan 2010 six thefts of fuel from Jaguar cars have been reported in the Ferndown area. One car has been attacked twice. The same method is used in each case, the fuel filler flap is prised open and fuel siphoned off without the offender/s entering the vehicle. It would appear that this does not activate the cars alarm if fitted.

Please be aware of a **Telephone scam** that has been attempted in the Ferndown Area.

A male purporting to be from Accident Help line called and gave the postcode and name of the householder. He called himself Kevin and stated that due to an accident that occurred 2 years ago that a payout was due.

The NHW member realised that this was suspicious and the call terminated.

Please be aware that there are numerous email, letter and telephone scams operating in the area.

Ferndown Library has a "Scam-amnesty" bin available for you to drop any such literature for the information of Dorset Trading Standards.

**On no account should any personal details be passed on the phone or email unless you're 100% sure who you are dealing with.** Please also shred or destroy any personal details before placing in the bin.

If you have any information regarding this message please call the Dorset Police on 01202/01305 22222 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111. Thank you