

Appeal And Closure Order - 05.12.19

Police Appealing For Witnesses To Hastings Incidents

Police are appealing for witnesses to a number of incidents in Hastings.

Officers were called to Brendon Rise and Southdown Avenue at around 9.45pm on Thursday (November 28th) where it was reported a man had been attacked with a machete and damage had been caused to a property.

Officers think these incidents could be linked to a third report made earlier that day, in which a brick was thrown through a window at a property in Brendon Rise.

Detective Constable Steve Venner said: "We are seeking witnesses to a number of incidents that have occurred in the Brendon Rise and Southdown Avenue area of Hastings in the afternoon and evening of Thursday, November 28th.

"The incidents have left a property in Brendon Rise damaged and two people have suffered injuries following an altercation. It is believed that the incidents are linked."

A 26-year-old man from Hastings was arrested on suspicion of burglary and aggravated burglary. He was released on police bail pending further enquiries.

A 27-year-old woman of no fixed address was arrested on suspicion of aggravated burglary. She was released on police bail pending further enquiries.

A 51-year-old man from Hastings was arrested on suspicion of wounding with intent. He was released under investigation pending further enquiries.

Police continue to appeal for witnesses. Anyone with information should call 101 quoting serial 1483 of 28/11.

Closure Order Secured Following Anti-Social Behaviour

Police have secured a full Closure Order on a Hastings property associated with continued anti-social behaviour.

The occupants of the address, in St Georges Road, had been warned on a number of occasions about their actions and behaviour causing distress to the neighbourhood in which they live.

Partnership working involving Hastings Police and the local housing authority ensured the residents affected by anti-social behaviour were listened to and supported, with a Closure Order application being made.

Powers under the Anti-Social Behaviour Act enable police and local authorities to apply for such Orders to remove owner occupants from their addresses who are engaging in continued anti-social behaviour.

PC Scott Elliott, of the Hastings Prevention Team, said: "After years of unacceptable behaviour coming from the address concerned, the case was heard at Brighton Court, the occupants were served with a three-month Closure Order and the property has today been emptied and secured.

"Upon securing the property, a number of neighbours thanked the attending officers, stating that they could now look forward to Christmas."

A spokesman from Optivo Housing said: "We aim to support our tenants to keep to their tenancy conditions but sometimes it's necessary to take stronger steps to deal with the anti-social behaviour issues reported.

"This has been a great piece of partnership working. The order will bring relief to the residents in the area who have had to put up with problems over a prolonged period of time, and hopefully act as a warning to others in the area."

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