



People for Proper Policing in North Wales

Crackdown on criminal damage in Bangor

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Police in Bangor are warning people to be on their guard against criminals intent on causing damage.

Since the beginning of April there has been a **30% increase** in the number of offences of criminal damage being reported to officers compared to the same period last year, with over **450 crimes being committed**.

Damage has included vandalism and graffiti in and around the Bangor area and police are warning **that action will be taken against the perpetrators**.

District Inspector Richard Green said: *"The vast majority of these offences are completely mindless and serve no purpose whatsoever for the offender. The number of offences being committed gives rise to concern, due to their volume. Patrols have increased in some identified areas. However, I would ask that the public be vigilant and report such offences to the police. In addition to this, I would also request that the public support the police in prosecuting those persons found responsible."*

He added: *"I intend to take a tougher stance against offenders, given that these offences cause a great deal of upset to victims. I also want the public of Bangor to feel reassured that positive measures are being taken to bring those persons found responsible to justice."*

Anyone who may have information regarding criminal damage such as graffiti and vandalism being carried out in their area should contact local officers at Bangor Police Station on 0845 607 1001 (Welsh line) 0845 607 1002 (English line) or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

The PPP comments ... What crackdown??...The Police are spending much time, money and manpower on trying to **reduce the fear of crime whilst 450 crimes are committed in Bangor. Inspector Green's comments are full of **warnings and intentions**. Only an effective, frequent, random, professional Police presence on the streets will PREVENT these crimes. Despite a huge investment of £millions in CCTV and the Police across N.Wales, currently £140 million/annum = nearly £500/household (your most expensive insurance??) we regularly suffer these crime waves. Any member or reader who has first hand experience of these events please contact us.**

Station Opening Hours in City of Learning

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Bangor Police Station **08:00 – 22:00 what days ?**