



Burglary in Swainshill

On 29 June 2026, at approximately midday, a male entered three neighbouring properties in Swainshill without permission and stole items from at least one address.

While inside one of the properties, the male encountered the occupier, who immediately contacted police. At around the same time, the owner of a neighbouring property also called police after seeing the male leave their premises on CCTV.

Officers responded promptly and located the suspect nearby. He was arrested and taken into custody. He has since been released on police bail and is due to appear before the Magistrates' Court at a later date.

The swift actions of local residents in reporting the incident, combined with CCTV footage and a prompt police response, enabled officers to quickly identify and apprehend the suspect. This incident highlights the value of CCTV in supporting investigations and helping police secure positive outcomes for the community.

Home Security Reminder

While incidents such as this are uncommon, there are some simple steps we can all take to help keep our homes secure:

- Always lock doors and windows, even when at home or in the garden.

- Use security lighting and consider CCTV or video doorbells where appropriate.
- Keep keys, wallets and valuable items out of sight and away from doors and windows.
- Ensure hedges and fences are maintained so that vulnerable access points can be seen.
- If you are away from home, ask a trusted neighbour to keep an eye on your property and remove any accumulated post.
- Report any suspicious activity, people or vehicles in your area.

 If a crime is taking place or there is an immediate risk to life or property, **call 999**.

 For non-emergencies, please contact us on **101** or report **online** via the West Mercia Police website.

 Working together and reporting concerns promptly helps us keep our communities safe. Thank you for your continued support.



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