



The Mobile CCTV Vehicle  
is in the Braintree District



Braintree District Council have purchased a Mobile CCTV Vehicle to address Anti-social Behaviour (ASB) across the District.

The Braintree District remains a very low crime area across Essex and Nationally. The vehicle will assist us to further improve our Crime & Disorder statistics whilst also raising the profile of our partnership working on Community Safety across the District.

What is its Main Purpose?

To prove and disprove ASB

To prevent, deter gain evidence of ASB.

Collect evidence necessary for prosecution of offenders

Reassure members of the public and wider community.

Help build public confidence

Address fear of crime

Can it be used for Anything Else?

Yes it can. It can be used for gathering evidence for other criminal activities e.g. traffic offences, fly-tipping, criminal damage etc, although the primary purpose is to address ASB.

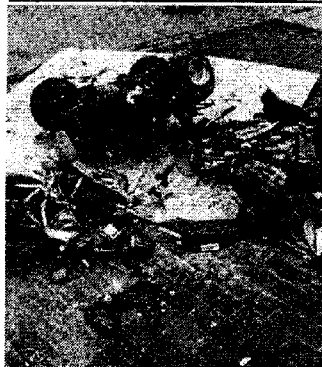
How is it Deployed?

The vehicle will be deployed across the district to specific 'ASB hotspot' locations. This is identified in accordance with statistical evidence from the Police and Braintree District Council.

The deployment is requested via the Police Community Safety Tasking Groups (One exists in each geographical area - Braintree, Witham & Halstead).

For further information, please contact the Braintree District Council Community Safety & Development Team on 01376 552525.

"Mini Motos ARE crushed !  
If you break the Law!!!!!!".



If you do not know the Law relating to these vehicles- you may think twice before buying one. You must ensure that when you drive them you are abiding by the Law. Mini Motos/Scooters cannot be used on the road or in a public place without insurance or a valid driving licence.

These vehicles should only be used on private land (*with the permission of the landowner - who must have the appropriate public liability insurance*).

The driver must have a valid full driving licence, road tax, MOT (where appropriate) and car insurance. The Police can report the owner for NO insurance; NO tax, NO MOT, and the drivers will receive penalty points on the licence or future licence.

The Police have the powers to seize any offending vehicle, but only after a warning has been given to that person.

Any warning given will remain in force for twelve months. It does not have to be given in respect of the same vehicle. The vehicle cannot be seized unless the warning has been ignored.

Once a first warning has been given, if the vehicle is seen again acting in a manner, which causes alarm, distress or annoyance it will be seized. Once the vehicle is seized it will cost over £100 to get it back, plus at least an extra £12 per day.

If anyone sees a person riding a Mini Moto/Scooter, in a manner, which may be considered dangerous or causes alarm, distress or annoyance, they should call their local Police Station.

IS THIS A SCAM?

You pick up your morning post, or receive an e-mail and there it is!

A letter/e-mail, informing you that you have won a prize - a holiday, a flat screen television, digital video camera, jewellery etc etc!

Great you think.

But wait a moment, did you actually enter a competition in order to have won a prize?

The most likely answer is No.

If you didn't enter a competition then you cannot have won a prize.

**DON'T GET CAUGHT UP IN THIS TYPE OF SCAM.**

**DON'T SEND OFF ANY MONEY TO CLAIM YOUR PRIZE.**

**DON'T SEND OFF ANY PERSONAL DETAILS.**

**PUT THE LETTER IN THE RECYCLING BAG WHERE IT BELONGS.**

If you receive a telephone call from a company offering you shares in a lottery at £49 per ticket, **PUT THE PHONE DOWN.** This is yet another scam trying to get hold of your money and personal details.

Would like to have more information on Neighbourhood Watch?

If you do not know your local NW Co-ordinator or would like more literature please contact:-

Clive Stewart, Essex Police,  
Neighbourhood W. Administrator,  
Braintree & District Area,  
Braintree Police Station,  
Tel: 01376 556 282.

### MOBILE PHONE THEFTS

Theft of mobile phones remain a major concern. The following information is intended to help yourself and the Police. Do you know what the IMEI is? The IMEI (International Mobile Equipment Identity) is a 14-17 digit number that identifies each and every handset at the time of manufacture.

When a phone is switched on, the unique IMEI number is transmitted and checked against a database of blocked phones. This determines whether the phone can make and receive calls.

Where can I find the IMEI? You can press the \* hash 06 hash or the sticker is normally found under the battery.

When reporting a theft, the Police require the make, model, number and IMEI number in order to circulate as identifiable property.

You can register details of your mobile phone (and as many of your possessions as you wish) with [www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com) which is a FREE secure site. Once registered, a user ID and password are generated. In the event of loss or theft, a registered phone can be flagged as lost or stolen.

This information then automatically appears on the NMPPR which is National Mobile phone and Property Register. This is a single online property search system for the UK Law Enforcement Agencies. Finally, you will need to notify your network provider to get the phone blocked.

### ELECTRIC BLANKET TESTING



Did you know that electric blankets cause more than 250 fires every year? There are simple ways to stop that happening to you.

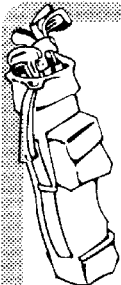
Electric blankets should be tested every three years and completely replaced every 10 years.

Essex County Fire and Rescue Service are working in partnership with Braintree District Council, Essex Trading Standards and Neighbourhood Watch to provide FREE!! Electric Blanket Testing.

Testing procedures will include:- Fraying fabric: Scorch marks: Exposed elements Creasing or folding : Soiling Damp patches Tie tapes damaged or missing Worn flex and loose connections .

How old is your blanket? An old BEAB safety mark, ie a round symbol means it is more than 10 years old. The new sign is white capital letters on a black background.

Please contact your local Fire Station for further information.




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 **John Martin on 01787 462001**

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