



**Always install the latest software updates it's sound advice.**

**UPDATE** ↓

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### Software Updates... Why are they important?

As your shiny new gadget ages, so does the software running on it. To ensure that devices run smoothly for as long as possible, manufacturers issue regular software updates, also known as 'patches', that add new features, improve performance and fix annoying bugs. However, the most important function of software updates is to fix vulnerabilities that compromise the security of your device.

### Using outdated software? You're leaving the door open for cyber criminals

Cyber criminals use weaknesses in software and apps to attack your devices and steal your identity. Software and app updates are designed to fix these weaknesses and installing them as soon as possible will keep your devices secure. The few minutes it takes to download and install updates could save you a significant amount of time and trouble in the long run, reducing the risk of you falling victim to identity theft.

### Staying up to date is easier than you think.

Software and app updates don't have to get in the way of what you're doing. You can choose to install them overnight when your device is plugged in to recharge or set your mobile or tablet to automatically update when you are connected to Wi-Fi. Information can easily be found about how to install these updates from Apple, Microsoft and Google, so check your devices now!

**MAKE SURE YOUR CAR IS SAFE IF YOU DO DRIVE**

Police advice during COVID-19

From 30 March 2020, MOT due dates for cars, motorcycles and light vans will be extended by 6 months to help prevent the spread of coronavirus.

You must always make sure your vehicle is safe to drive.

[Further MOT information on www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)

**Stay At Home - Save Lives.**

## Coronavirus - COVID19 information

### Please stay at home.

Only go outside if it is absolutely necessary. Help us protect those in our communities and those working for our NHS.

#STAYHOME  
#STAYSAFE

Police advice during COVID-19

### Only leave the house to:

- Shop for basic necessities
- Exercise once a day
- Support a vulnerable person
- Deal with a medical need
- Travel to and from work if you cannot work from home.

Find out more from [gov.uk/coronavirus](http://gov.uk/coronavirus)

Remember to stay 2 meters away from others, if you do have to go out.

You are only meant to be in close contact with those you live with.

**SOCIAL DISTANCING**  
STAY 2 METERS AWAY

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**WHEN YOU EXERCISE**  
STAY NEAR YOUR HOME

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If you go out to exercise, go from home and **do not drive.**

Go for a walk, a run or cycle nearby. You can go alone or with people from your household.

Going for a drive is not in the spirit of the rules. Please only leave your home for essential travel.

The NHS is already under extreme pressure and having fewer cars on the road will reduce the chances of serious road traffic collisions.

**REDUCE CARS ON THE ROAD**

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COVID-19 Q&A's please visit <https://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/advice/covid-19-coronavirus/>

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is a process to help the police in their search for people with dementia who go missing.



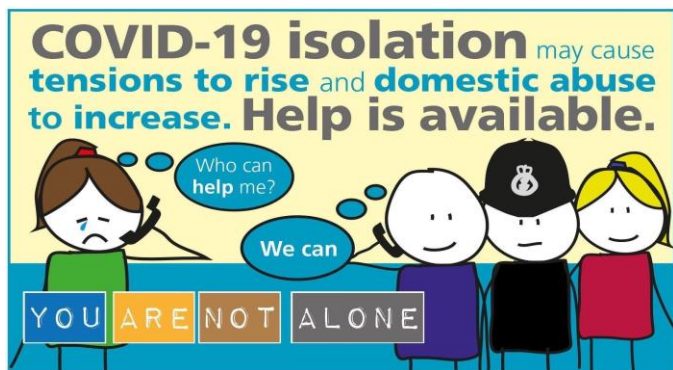
When a person goes missing, it is very distressing for family and friends and can be even more worrying when the missing person has dementia. Local police are encouraging carers and family members of people with dementia to use the Herbert Protocol scheme.

The Herbert Protocol is a simple process to help the police in their search for people with dementia who go missing. By completing the Herbert Protocol form and building a profile of the person with dementia when they are safe, it will help give the carer or loved one peace of mind and speed up the police search if they should ever go missing.

The initiative is named after George Herbert, a war veteran of the Normandy landings who lived with dementia. He died whilst 'missing', trying to find his childhood home.

If you believe a person has gone missing and are concerned for their safety complete the 'missing now' section of the form. Call the police on 999 and tell the police operator that you have a Herbert Protocol.

For more information visit [www.dc.police.uk/missingherbert/](http://www.dc.police.uk/missingherbert/)



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## Crimes reported in March 2020

- BLACK TORRINGTON – 1 x Theft of poultry
- BRADFORD – 1 x Malicious communications
- BRADWORTHY – 1 x Malicious communications  
1 x Theft of fish  
1 x Criminal damage to motor vehicle
- HOLLACOMBE – 1 x Burglary, non-dwelling
- PYWORTHY – 1 x Theft from motor vehicle  
1 x Harassment without violence
- ST. GILES – 1 x drive whilst unfit through drink
- THORNBURY – 1 x Public order offence  
1 x Theft of heating oil
- VIRGINSTOW – 1 x Assault on emergency worker

There was also 1 Domestic incident recorded during this period. These are incidents that are self-contained within a household. This is for information only, no further details will be given.

### Want to know more about the crimes in your area?

Police.uk is a national website which allows you to view what crimes have been committed in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. The website allows you to zoom in on areas and see crimes committed on individual streets, month by month. The website also links to Neighbourhood Policing Teams and Crime Prevention Advice. <https://www.police.uk/>

# We are here for you

Only call 999 in an emergency  
For anything else, please go online  
[www.dc.police.uk/ClickB4UCall](http://www.dc.police.uk/ClickB4UCall)