

# News release

17<sup>th</sup> October 2011

## **Cash Rewards offered by Crimestoppers to help burglary crackdown**

**Cash rewards of up to £1,000 are being offered in a bid to catch burglars by Crimestoppers in Surrey.**

In order to help Surrey Police in their drive to reduce burglary activity this autumn Crimestoppers are urging residents to tell the crime fighting charity what they know about burglary and the handling of stolen goods.

If you would rather not contact Surrey Police directly, you can pass information to Crimestoppers anonymously on Tel: **0800 555 111** or use their online form at [www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)

The charity has pledged to give cash rewards to residents who call **0800 555 111** and give information about burglars that leads to an arrest and charge.

In an exciting development for the independent charity, Surrey Crimestoppers are using Facebook for the first time to make the public aware of the reward and pledge of anonymity that they offer.

This initiative, which is supported by **Legal & General, Hidden Surrey Fund and the Community Foundation for Surrey** will last for 4 weeks commencing on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2011.

**Kevin Morris QPM and Deputy Chairman of Surrey Crimestoppers** said "I am delighted that we are working with Surrey Police on this campaign once again. Burglaries cause so much pain and suffering to victims and I hope we can help prevent them and catch those who profit from this insidious crime"

**Maria Woodall T/Detective Superintendent** said "As the nights draw in and winter approaches, Surrey Police is targeting local burglars and those who travel in from outside the county to burgle Surrey residents. We are delighted to be working alongside the independent charity Crimestoppers during this period and would encourage anyone to contact either the police direct or Surrey Crimestoppers anonymously if they have any information which could lead to the capture and conviction of anyone involved in this distressing crime".

If you wish to pass on information about crime, safe in the knowledge that your identity will remain anonymous, please contact Crimestoppers on **0800 555 111** or use the untraceable online form at [www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)

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