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 Safer Stockton Partnership
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Please find below the list of press releases for the period from 24 January 2009 to 6 March 2009. Copies of the full articles are available from the Community Safety Team.




DATE IN NEWS	MEDIA TYPE	ARTICLE TITLE	BRIEF DETAILS	SERVICES MENTIONED	
Jan 30 th	The Northern Echo	'Chance to buy a pint for 1p'	A North East pub chain is offering customers beer for 1p a pint. Stockton-based Dukedom Group plans to offer cut-price pints at six of its 34 outlets to customers who also but a spirit.		
Jan 30 th	The Darlington and Stockton Times	'Jobs fair helps to lift employment prospects gloom'	A jobs fair brought a much needed ray of sunshine when more than 180 people were given new jobs. Hundreds of people turned out at the fair in Thornaby earlier this month, where retailers moving to the town's new shopping development were looking for staff.	SBC	
Jan 30 th	Evening Gazette	'Judge jails child rapist'	A paedophile who repeatedly raped a five-year-old girl has been jailed for six years. Teesside Crown Court heard how Steven Watts of Billingham targeted the youngster when her mother allowed him to baby sit, despite knowing he was a convicted paedophile.	Courts	

Feb 6 th	Cleveland Police Press Office	'Cuppa with a copper on your doorstep'	Neighbourhood policing teams in Stockton, Billingham and Thornaby will be putting the kettle on, making a brew and providing a friendly ear to residents who wish to raise ongoing issues about their area. 'Cuppa with a Coppa' enables Officers to carry out consultation in a warm friendly environment, in order to engage, understand concerns and set priorities for action.	Fire Service, Police, Crimestoppers	
Feb 6 th	Evening Gazette	'Smashed'	Police have uncovered a highly sophisticated drugs operation in a raid on a Teesside Cannabis farm. 20 Cleveland Police Officers began the raid at 8:15 am after receiving intelligence about the site. Two Vietnamese men were arrested but police are convinced home grown gangs are behind the scene.	Police	
Feb 6 th	Evening Gazette	'Cocaine found hidden at flat'	Detectives found drugs with a street value of 77,000 in a raid of a Yarm flat. Small deal sized bags of Heroin, Cocaine and 2 kilos of Amphetamines were discovered. Along with the drugs, officers seized a 35,000 car and 5,000 cash during the raid on Wednesday evening.	Police	
Feb 6 th	Evening Gazette	'Councillor broke girlfriends arm'	Former leader of the IBIS Councillor Lee Narroway was handed a 26-week custodial sentence, suspended for 2 years and a 2 year supervision order with a requirement to complete a domestic violence program after pleading guilty of assault to his girlfriend at his home in Ingleby Barwick.	Police, SBC	

Feb 6 th	Evening Gazette	'Nuisance woman hit with CRASBO'	Leigh Horner 32, from Redcar has been hit with a 3 year Criminal Anti-Social Behaviour Order. The CRASBO was issued after a series of thefts and anti social behaviour offences had occurred in Stockton Town Centre. The order was obtained by Stockton Councils Anti-Social Behaviour Team.	SBC, ASB	
Feb 6 th	Evening Gazette	'Chip pan danger'	As part of 'Ban The Pan' week Cleveland Fire Brigade will demonstrate the drama of a chip pan blaze and urge residents to ditch their pans for something safer.	Fire Service	
Feb 12 th	Evening Gazette	'Man shot in house'	A major police investigation was under way today following a house shooting of a 28 year old man in Thornaby. Three people, two men aged 18 and 44 and a 39 year old women were arrested last night on suspicion of attempted murder.	Police	
Feb 12 th	Evening Gazette	'Man is badly beaten after party'	Brian Gatley was viciously attacked after a party early hours of Saturday morning within Port Clarence. Mr Gatley believes the attack was carried out by six men and two women, jumping and stamping on his head. Cleveland Police confirmed they are investigating the attack.	Police	
Feb 12 th	Evening Gazette	'Assault appeal renewed'	Police have renewed their appeal to trace a hooded man who assaulted a 50 year old woman in Ingleby Barwick on the night of Friday 30 th Jan.	Police, Crimestoppers	

Feb 12 th	Evening Gazette	'Woman is spared jail over knife'	Rebecca Causer 19, of Billingham has pleaded guilty to possession of a pointed article. However was granted her freedom but given a community service order with 80 hours unpaid work. Causer walked from the courtroom as Judge Taylor exclaimed "No further chances'	Courts, Police	
Feb 12 th	Evening Gazette	'Crime spree leads to jail'	lee Pattison, 33, has been given a 5 year prison sentence for a two month crime spree situated around Stockton	Police	
Feb 16 th	Evening Gazette	'Alcohol abuse tackled by new office'	The UK'S first ever regional alcohol office has been launched. Based in Darlington the PCT has collaborated with the local authorities and police forces to tackle alcohol misuse associated with the North East drinking culture.	SBC, Police, PCT	
Feb 16 th	Evening Gazette	'Father and son beaten in gang attack'	A father and son aged 61 and 24 were taken to hospital after a brutal attack outside Norton High Streets Ladbrookes. The men were set upon by a group of 5 attackers, 3 people all men aged between 14-21 have been arrested and released on police bail pending further inquiry.	Police	
Feb 19 th	Evening Gazette	'Operation mule kicks of illegal waste inspections'	A recent day long roadside operation, led by Stockton Borough Council's Neighbourhood Enforcement Team, has been hailed a success following the inspection of 104 vehicles. Operation Mule run in partnership with Cleveland Police, Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs and Vehicle and Operators Services checked vehicles for illegally carried waste, a total of 7 drivers were found and must attend an interview with Enforcement Services.	SBC, Police , HMRC, VOSA	

Feb 19 th	Radio Tees	Interview with police officer PC. Lockwood	Radio interview concerning the assault on Norton Highstreet, ensured public that gang culture is being addressed and please do not be fearful of walking the streets of Norton. Alley gates and CCTV are currently in plan to be fitted.	Police	
Feb 20 th	Evening Gazette	'Attack: More arrests'	Following the attack of a 50 year old man and his son 24 on Norton High Street 5 youths have now been arrested. Police are still appealing for the good Samaritan who stopped his car at the incident to come forward.	Police	
Feb 24 th	Evening Gazette	'Man, 84 wanted girls to expose their bodies'	George Vipond from Yarm is on trial accused of encouraging school girls to expose them selves to him. He was arrested in May last year.	Police	
Feb 25 th	The Northern Echo	'Partnerships keep young off streets'	An initiative has been set up to help keep young people away from crime. Police in Thornaby have joined forces with Stockton Borough Council, the integrated youth support service, community safety, housing services and children's services to steer youngsters away from the streets and into more worthwhile activities.	Police, SBC, YOS, HS, C S	
Feb 26 th	The Evening Gazette	'Banned from party'	A former councillor has been thrown out of his political party after a conviction for domestic violence. At a group meeting this week, the Ingleby Barwick Independent Society (IBIS) agreed to terminate the membership of former group leader and ward councillor Lee Narroway.	SBC, IBIS	

March 4 th	The Evening Gazette	'I was pinned down on the stairs and the ring was ripped from my finger'	Wendy Jones, 33 from Patterdale Avenue Stockton, is left traumatised after two male teenagers pinned her down and ransacked her living room. Any one with information is encouraged to ring Crime stoppers	Police, Crime stoppers	
March 4 th	The Evening Gazette	'A place of our own'	Young people are today celebrating news that nearly 15m of world class youth facilities are to be built in Stockton, Middlesbrough and Redcar. Stockton Myplace award of 5m will fund the new ICE centre to be built in Norton.	SBC,RBC, MBC.	
March 4 th	The Evening Gazette	'Driver hit lamppost at 81mph'	Steven Abby 27 from Billingham rammed his BMW into a lamppost at 81mph after a row with his girlfriend. Abby had previously downed 12 pints of lager with her in the pub; however his breath test proved negative. Abby pleaded guilty to dangerous driving and was disqualified from driving for 2 years with 150 hours unpaid work and £200 prosecution costs for the May 19 th offence.	Police	

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