



INFORMATION SHEET

EASTERN REGION TRUCKWATCH – DRIVER INFORMATION SHEET

EASTERN REGION TRUCKWATCH IS A COMBINATION OF THE NORFOLK AND SUFFOLK TRUCKWATCH SCHEMES

How is it going to affect you the driver?

When the police have information that is recent and haulage related they will circulate a text message to all those drivers in the scheme. It will not be necessary to read it immediately, only when safe and legal to do so.

Most messages will give advice on road congestion in Suffolk or Norfolk as the result of recent incidents and advice on Operation Stack initiation and termination. Other messages will seek help in locating a stolen vehicle and load or warning of suspicious circumstances.

What do I do?

You are the eyes and ears of the nation. Should you see the subject of crime message you have a choice:

1. Dial 999 and report the event if considered urgent, for example a stolen unit being driven. Always look for the second vehicle, villains normally have a car or van running 'shotgun' to help out in case the stolen vehicle is seen.
2. If non-urgent phone the Traffic Office and report the event such as an abandoned stolen truck stationary in a lay-by.

If in any doubt dial 999 and report the incident making sure to remember as much information as possible and write it down as soon as it is safe and legal to do so. If you have a camera (disposable or phone) take a picture.

Rewards have been paid out by Eastern Region Truckwatch in the past when stolen vehicles and loads have been recovered as the result of eagle eyed drivers.

Caution: Do not do anything that jeopardises your safety.

If you have information but wish to remain anonymous then call CrimeStoppers: An independent charity 555111. They also pay rewards.