

Drugs and human trafficking are BIG business in Essex

Drugs and human trafficking are serious high-volume crimes leading to violence, child exploitation and abuse.

Boats and yachts are used by gangs to carry out illegal imports at ports and marinas especially those with limited or no checks.

Suspicious activities

- Attempts to test or research security -
- Late night or early morning activity -
- Suspicious deliveries -
- People in the wrong place or behaving unusually -
- Unusual presence of boats or yachts -
- A vessel that has been unusually modified -
- A boat or yacht owner being evasive about passengers or routes -
- A boat or yacht owner ignoring marine regulations or filing misleading or false reports -
- Concealed cargo -
- Packages or passengers being transferred to dinghies or other boats or to waiting cars -
- Items being handled suspiciously.



Speak up. Stop crime. Stay safe. 100% anonymous. Always

Please be vigilant at all times around these locations.

If you see a crime in progress, then you should report it to the police immediately using the 999 number. Do not try to get involved.

Alternatively, you can safely contact the charity CrimeStoppers.

We give people the power to speak up to stop crime. By phone and online, 24/7, 365

days a year. You'll remain 100% anonymous.

We've been around since 1988. We're independent. We won't ask your name. Won't judge. Just listen to what you know. When you hang up the phone (0800 555 111) or click 'send' (crimestoppers-uk.org) you're done.

No police contact.

No witness statements.

No courts.

We will pass on any information to the police

Our service is designed to protect your identity, whether you call us or submit information online.

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