

Police UK have launched a national platform across England called [StreetSafe](#), a service that allows you to report safety concerns in public places without giving your name (anonymously). This includes issues like poorly lit streets, abandoned buildings, or vandalism, as well as instances where you feel unsafe due to someone following or verbally abusing you. *Please note: StreetSafe is not for reporting crimes or emergencies. If you witness a crime or emergency, please call the police on 101, 999 or report a crime [online](#).*

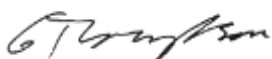
It has been brought to our attention that the **UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA East Midlands Health Protection team)** has identified an increase in confirmed or suspected cases of **whooping cough (pertussis)** in school age children across the East Midlands region. Individual cases have been provided with advice, but we would like to take this opportunity to raise awareness regarding vaccination and symptoms of whooping cough to be aware of.

Whooping cough is caused by infection with pertussis bacteria. For most school-age patients, symptoms will resolve over a number of weeks, while for some, coughing can persist for a few months. The symptoms of pertussis include:

- a cough lasting several weeks following initial cold-like symptoms
- prolonged bouts of coughing ('paroxysms')
- post-coughing retching or vomiting
- a 'whoop' sound on breathing in
- rib pain

Find more information about [whooping cough \(pertussis\)](#) on the NHS website.

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**NEW STREET
SAFE TOOL**

giving people the power to report
areas where they feel unsafe

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