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SUSPECT CANNABIS HOUSES

Hertfordshire Constabulary in partnership with Hertfordshire Crimestoppers and HertsWatch are currently seeking to identify residential properties that have been subject to severe internal damage having been converted to grow cannabis on a wholesale basis. The manner in which this is undertaken creates a potential danger to other residents.

We would ask for information regarding any such premises where it is suspected this activity is being committed. Below is listed a number of factors that can be indicators that the premises are being used for this purpose.

- The premises are usually let properties with the landlords having no knowledge of the criminal activity.
- On arrival at the property there is much activity, which may include some structural alterations being made, but thereafter they are very quiet.
- Curtains / blinds may be permanently drawn.
- There may be signs of excessive heat and condensation on windows and walls.
- Access to the property may be limited to the front porch / doorstep.
- There may be intense smells near the address.
- Different occupants may visit at all times of day.

If you suspect a property fits the above description, Please report it to your local police on 0845 33 00 222 or anonymously to Hertfordshire Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

All calls will be treated in strictest confidence and persons who go about their business lawfully are easily eliminated from this type of enquiry.

Hertfordshire Police, Hertfordshire Crimestoppers and HertsWatch are committed to creating safer communities and your help will assist in this.

