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Rugby BID target fraud and forgery on the streets

Fraud and forgery is decreasing in Rugby Town Centre thanks to Rugby BID. Crime statistics revealed earlier this year that both of these particular crimes are down by 30 %, another significant fall for the second year running.

“It’s a combination of efforts from the vigilance of our CCTV operators and Rangers out on the streets through to the businesses that use the ShopNet Radio system. They alert us to any potential problems, particularly stolen credit cards and counterfeit money,” said Aftab Gaffar, Operations Director at Rugby BID. “We want people to know that we are very active in reducing crime in our town centre.”

Rugby BID has stopped a number of frauds through their work alongside Warwickshire Police as well as local businesses. A great example was the combination of efforts from the Rugby Rangers and their colleagues in the CCTV Control Room that saw a national scam rumbled in Rugby Town Centre. The “laptop scam” had been happening across the country and the result of work by the Rugby BID CCTV Control Room last year saw two national gangs caught in the act.

Rugby BID has also been working hard to stop the use of counterfeit money and stolen credit cards in the town centre. The 30% reduction for 2007-2008 follows on from a fall of 23% in 2006-2007 highlighting once again the important role Rugby BID plays in keeping the town centre a safe place for both businesses and shoppers alike.