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Emergency Services Response to COVID-19/Coronavirus

In a continued effort to keep our citizens and first responders safe from COVID-19/Coronavirus, we ask people to utilize discretion when seeking police services.

Until further notice, we are asking that members of the public avoid coming into the lobby unless there is an emergency. We will be suspending VIN checks, fingerprinting for employment along with car seat installations at this time. We encourage you to visit our Facebook page along with our website at www.coventrypd.org for updates. You may file complaints on the department webpage as well. Please call our main line at 401-826-1100 and press 0 to speak with dispatch for situations that might be resolved over the phone.

Officers will be temporarily allowed to take reports over the phone for an issue or incident that we feel may not require an immediate response. Examples may be, but not limited to:

1. Calls for advice
2. Neighbor disputes/civil matters
3. Lost or stolen items of low/no value
4. Minor vandalism
5. Animal related issues that are not a threat to public safety

Until further notice, we are also closing the Animal Control building for public entry. If you need to reach them by phone or to make an appointment, please call 822-9106.

As always – CALL 911 for EMERGENCIES ONLY and WE WILL RESPOND IMMEDIATELY.

Thank you to everyone for their cooperation and understanding as we all make adjustments in the way we are used to handling things.