



SMUGGLING



IMMIGRATION CRIME



TERRORISM

**DON'T
LET CRIME
TAKE OFF**

**IF YOU SEE ANYTHING
SUSPICIOUS ABOUT THE PILOT,
AIRCRAFT OR CARGO, REPORT IT.**



Border crime causes immense harm to the UK, whether it is the smuggling of people, drugs or firearms, or terrorism related.

There are tens of thousands of light aircraft, helicopters and microlights in the UK, flying in and out of small airfields across the country every day. Because not every plane and airstrip can be monitored 24 hours a day, the aviation community can play a vital role in preventing border crime and maintaining a safe community.

By reporting suspicious activity around an airfield, you can help prevent illegal smuggling, immigration crime and terrorism.

What to look out for

Suspicious activity

Have you spotted:

- Reconnaissance - attempts to test or research security around an airfield?
- Individuals buying equipment, chemicals, uniforms, badges?
- Suspicious deliveries?
- People in the wrong place or behaving oddly?
- An odd pattern of aircraft hiring?
- Signs of disguised continuation flights or deviations from plan?
- Strange or fraudulent patterns of payment?

The aircraft

- Has the aircraft been modified?
- Is the aircraft carrying extra fuel?
- Has it been to remote destinations or isolated airfields?
- Does it regularly suffer minor damage?
- Is the aircraft muddy when only tarmac strips are on the flight plans?
- Has it landed short of its notified destination?

The pilot

Ask yourself, is the pilot:

- Nervous or vulnerable to pressure?
- Being evasive about passengers, flights, routes?
- Taking unnecessary risks?
- Flying at the edge of their capabilities or damaging aircraft too often?
- Disregarding weather conditions?
- Pushing their luck on short airstrips or in low light?
- Ignoring aviation regulations or filing misleading or false General Aviation Reports or flight plans?

The cargo

- Is there any concealed cargo?
- Have you seen packages being dropped from low-flying aircraft?
- Are items being handled suspiciously?



What to report

Information may include:

- Who did you see?
- What did you see? The more specific you are, the more likely we can take effective action.
- When did you see it?
- Why was it strange or suspicious?

Call Crimestoppers anonymously: 0800 555 111
or call your local police on 101 and quote: "PEGASUS"

Border Force, the police and the National Crime Agency are working closely together to protect our border. Border Force lead on smuggling and immigration crime while the police deal with suspected terrorist activity. Both work closely with the National Crime Agency, whose responsibility it is to protect the public by disrupting and bringing to justice those serious and organised criminals who present the highest risk to the UK.



Border Force



NCA
National Crime Agency



NPCC
National Police Chiefs' Council