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Pocklington Provincial Update for February 2018

Hello,

I am the Chief Inspector responsible for Neighbourhood Policing in the East Riding. With my Inspectors and Neighbourhood Teams we aim to provide you with a community policing service that both meets your needs and is within our gift to give. With finite resources and a shrinking budget this is a delicate balancing act. That said I know my officers are extremely committed to working with you and our incident response, detective, road policing and other officers to police the approximate 950 square miles of the East Riding.

I know these newsletters are a useful way to inform you about what is happening in your communities. They are also a good opportunity for us to provide crime reduction and community safety messages. I have however been conscious for some time that the newsletters across the East Riding differ in style and content. I want to take the opportunity of a new year to standardise the format in which we provide information to you, whilst retaining provision for individual and specific community information and messages. The result is the newsletter below. In many ways it will look familiar, whilst in others you will see small changes to the style and content. Perhaps the biggest change is the presentation of the crime data in Section 1. I have tried to move away from a long list of individual crimes (which took a significant amount of time to research and produce) and instead give you a month by month breakdown of the number of crimes that have occurred in your ward/neighbourhood. This enables you to see the overall level of crime along with any significant increase or decreases over time. Any crimes or crime trends of particular note will be highlighted separately in Section 2 of the newsletter.

You will see that crime has risen in almost all crime types in the last 12 months compared to the 12 months prior to that i.e. 12 – 24 months ago. This is largely due to a change in recording practices which has seen more stringent recording practices, and the recording of activity as a crime which previously not recorded. The increases are in line with the increases seen nationally and is not particular to your neighbourhood or Humberside Police generally.

There are a number of web sites that provide very specific details of crimes and ASB. The detail can be to individual street level, with some sites also providing the result of the police investigation. If you want to know about crime and ASB in greater detail I encourage you to visit Police.uk or a similar site. I appreciate you will not have the detail in the newsletter you may have been used to but by researching the web sites you can tailor your research to meet your specific requirements and interest. Adopting this process means my officers spend less time sat behind a desk researching information that is in the public domain, and more time in the community actively trying to reduce crime and ASB.

Please feel free to speak to your local officers if you want further clarification or details. Thank you for your support and I look forward to continuing to work with you to make the East Riding an even safer place to live and work.

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1. Crime and ASB

East Yorkshire-Pocklington Provincial Ward	This year compared to last year			Last 12 months											
	Jan 16 to Dec 16	Jan 17 to Dec 17	% Change year on year	2017 Dec	2017 Nov	2017 Oct	2017 Sep	2017 Aug	2017 Jul	2017 Jun	2017 May	2017 Apr	2017 Mar	2017 Feb	2017 Jan
All offences	356	444	+24.7%	32	41	44	31	48	28	35	54	31	27	37	36
Burglary	29	45	+55.2%	4	3	7	5	4	5	3	0	4	3	3	4
Criminal damage	69	70	+1.4%	5	6	9	2	9	4	3	7	8	6	6	5
Drug offences	3	9	+200.0%	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	2
Shop theft	26	17	-34.6%	1	0	2	3	0	2	1	2	2	0	3	1
Sexual offences	18	25	+38.9%	0	3	2	0	1	1	5	10	2	0	1	0
TFMV	15	14	-6.7%	0	3	1	0	3	1	0	2	2	1	1	0
TOMV	5	2	-60.0%	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Thefts excluding vehicle and shop theft	55	71	+29.1%	9	7	5	4	6	4	5	7	4	2	5	13
Violence against the person	123	135	+9.8%	6	15	10	14	20	8	10	9	6	15	12	10
ASB	92	94	+2.2%	14	14	5	14	7	6	6	9	7	7	3	2

TFMV – Theft from motor vehicle

TOMV – Theft of motor vehicle

ASB – Anti-social behaviour

Detailed crime and ASB data for your area can be obtained by visiting www.police.uk and following the 'Find your Neighbourhood' link.

Also details of any particular crimes or series of crimes of note e.g. serious assaults, run of Hanoi burglaries

2. Community Priorities

a. Pocklington Town Centre area (Evenings):

Throughout February we are to continue our high visibility patrols of the Pocklington Town Centre area to deter potential anti-social behaviour. These patrols include regular checks on peripheral areas at Pocklington Infants' School, Maxwell Road (periodic reports of criminal damage and youths causing annoyance), All Saints Church (periodic reports of anti-social behaviour on an evening), the Tennis Club (reports of anti-social behaviour, (ASB)) and town car parks (reports of low level anti-social behaviour). Criminal offenders will be challenged robustly, arrested or reported for summons. Penalty Notices for Disorder or warning letters may be used in appropriate cases however, those who offend should expect to be arrested and dealt with if their anti social behaviour amounts to criminal offending. The exercise of discretion should not be expected.

b. Pocklington – Vehicle related nuisance

To reduce anti-social behaviour (ASB) and its impact on the communities within the Pocklington area as well as taking positive action against offenders who cause ASB with their vehicles. Hotspot areas in Pocklington will be checked regularly and any drivers using their cars to cause alarm or distress will be considered for warnings and possible seizure of their vehicles under Section 59 of the Police Reform Act.



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3. Crime Reduction Advice

Vehicle Security

Theft from cars and vans is quite a common crime. Below are some simple security measures that can be taken to help protect you and your livelihood.

- Keep your car keys safe and out of sight, don't leave them near an open window and if you are work, then ensure that you keep your keys with you at all times (don't leave them in your vehicle/van).
- Never hang your keys near to doors where they could be taken through a letterbox.
- Never leave your house or car keys in an obvious place like a handbag or key cupboard.
- If you've got a garage, use it and lock it!
- Always keep your vehicle's windows closed and the car locked at all times.
- If your car/van doesn't have an alarm/immobilizer then consider getting one fitted.
- Consider extra security such as a steering wheel lock. (Steering locks and gear level locks are often all that is needed to deter a thief as they simply don't want the hassle of breaking in and trying to get them undone.)
- Never leave any property or personal documentation in your car or van on display, ie on car seats, in the footwells or half hidden under a seat as it only takes criminals seconds to smash a window and grab something.
- If you use a satnav or a dash camera, make sure you not only remove the device from view but also its cradle and don't forget to wipe away any telltale sucker marks on the windscreen too.
- If you own a van and are able to so, then make sure that all stock and tools are removed overnight, consider parking it so that the rear and side doors are tight to walls, garage doors or other vehicles to hinder direct access and any physical attacks.
- Security mark all your tools and equipment to make items uniquely identifiable and less attractive to a thief. You can also register them on www.immobilise.com so that if they were ever stolen and then recovered at a later date they can easily be traced back to their owner.
- Catalytic converter theft is on the increase too – mark yours to deter thieves

It is clear that offenders are looking at locations and vehicles prior to coming back to commit the crimes. This could simply be someone looking around an area during the day, someone pretending to do door to door sales, someone coming to your home on another pretext or it could be that you keep seeing a suspicious vehicle driving around.

If you have any concerns or want to report a suspicious vehicle then contact us by calling the Non Emergency number 101 or 999 in an emergency, or if a crime is occurring.