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Pocklington Provincial Update for June 2019

1. Crime and ASB

| East Yorkshire-Pocklington Provincial Ward | This year compared to last year | | | Last 12 months | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| | Jun 17 to May 18 | Jun 18 to May 19 | % Change year on year | 2019 May | 2019 Apr | 2019 Mar | 2019 Feb | 2019 Jan | 2018 Dec | 2018 Nov | 2018 Oct | 2018 Sep | 2018 Aug | 2018 Jul | 2018 Jun |
| | All offences | 541 | 655 | +21.1% | 51 | 60 | 33 | 43 | 53 | 58 | 50 | 60 | 58 | 71 | 68 |
| Burglary | 53 | 61 | +15.1% | 5 | 9 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 4 | 5 | 7 | 5 | 0 |
| Criminal damage | 98 | 108 | +10.2% | 5 | 11 | 4 | 7 | 14 | 9 | 9 | 12 | 9 | 15 | 9 | 4 |
| Drug offences | 6 | 3 | -50.0% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Shop theft | 15 | 13 | -13.3% | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| Sexual offences | 32 | 22 | -31.3% | 6 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| TFMV | 16 | 13 | -18.8% | 0 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 |
| TOMV | 2 | 3 | +50.0% | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Thefts excluding vehicle and shop th | 72 | 84 | +16.7% | 9 | 11 | 3 | 9 | 6 | 10 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 10 | 9 | 7 |
| Violence against the person | 194 | 277 | +42.8% | 16 | 18 | 15 | 16 | 23 | 21 | 19 | 30 | 31 | 27 | 33 | 28 |
| ASB | 115 | 127 | +10.4% | 7 | 15 | 9 | 3 | 6 | 8 | 16 | 10 | 16 | 12 | 11 | 14 |

TFMV – Theft from motor vehicle

TOMV – Theft of motor vehicle

ASB – Anti-social behaviour

In Pocklington it is positive to see that all offence categories excluding Sexual Offences and TOMV have either experienced no change or a reduction in the number of offences in May compared to the previous month. It is also worth noting that although some categories show that there has been a large percentage increase in crime compared to last year, this is primarily due to the number of offences committed last year being so low. For example, Theft of Motor Vehicle increased by 50% compared to the previous 12 months but in reality this was an increase of only one offence. Although overall crime figures have increased compared to the previous 12 months this is largely driven by a change in police recording practices and more victims reporting crime as opposed to more actual crimes being committed.

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



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2. Crime issues of particular note

The following list shows some of the crimes that have occurred in the previous month in your area.

- A secure property in Pocklington was broken into and searched.
- A car parked securely on a street in Pocklington was stolen.
- A car parked on a driveway in Pocklington was scratched with a sharp object causing damage to the paintwork.
- A secure property in Pocklington was broken into and searched.
- A secure unoccupied property in Pocklington was broken into.

3. Community Priorities

The Neighbourhood Policing Team meet regularly with partners to ensure we have a multi-agency approach to local issues, individuals and problem solving. These meetings are regularly attended by partners including Humberside Fire and Rescue Service, Youth and Family Support, Housing Officers, Environmental Health and the East Riding Anti-Social Behaviour Team. We share information and resources to deal with local neighbourhood issues, in particular, those identified as causing the most harm in the community.

a. Pocklington Town Centre area (Evenings):

Throughout June 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.

4. Crime Reduction Advice

SHED AND GARDEN SECURITY

Lighter nights often means criminals are on the prowl for easy pickings from gardens, sheds and garages. As the weather starts to warm up, we all spend more time outside, but we all also get a bit lax about leaving our property around and locking our sheds and garages when we use them.

Opportunist criminals are always on the lookout for bikes, tools, sports equipment and fishing tackle in sheds and garages, as well as in gardens.

So if you haven't assessed your security for some time then we would urge you to look at your sheds, garages and outbuildings and see how secure they really are. Do you need a better lock, an alarm, lighting, or even CCTC? Below are some areas to consider:

- Make sure your shed or garage is secured with a good quality lock.



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- Keep back gates locked when not used.
- Check there are no bins, composters or trees that can be used for climbing over your garden fence to gain access – consider planting thorny bushes inside the fence to deter entry.
- Do you have security/motion sensor lights? They can be a great deterrent if your home or garden is secluded from street lighting.
- Loop a strong chain through the handles of your garden tools and connect the ends with a strong padlock. If possible, fix a large metal eyelet to part of the shed frame and loop the chain through it. Alternatively consider installing a lockable storage cupboard within your shed/garage to store valuable items in, as this will also form a second line of defence to thieves.
- As well as protecting property in sheds and garages people can also stop thieves stealing plants by using heavy plant pots which will be less desirable to walk off with.
- Many shed windows are never used, if this is the case – why not screw them shut. Fitting mesh or steel bars across the window from the inside allows light to enter but means the thief has to go to a lot of trouble to remove them. Replace broken glass with laminated glass.
- If you have a household alarm consider extending it to cover your outbuildings or fit a bespoke shed/garage alarm.
- Check your home contents policy to see if you are covered in the event of a break-in.
- If you have an expensive bicycle or motorbike, make sure you have a good quality lock securing it when it is not being used.
- For reference record a description and add photographs of your cycles, golf clubs, fishing equipment, tools and any other valuable property free on www.immobilise.com .
- Consider marking your property too using a visible permanent marker (eg waterproof paint, engraving or permanent marker pen) or if you prefer an invisible marker (UV pens etc). It is recommended that you put your postcode prefixed with the number of your address, this allows any recovered stolen goods to be identified and returned to the owner.

5. News and Appeals

Retired Cop Comes Back to Inspire Next Generation



Graham Benson worked as a Police Constable for Humberside Police for 40 years, he could have retired after 30 years but loved the job so much he stayed for an extra 10 years.

You would have thought that would have been enough for him wouldn't you? But as he planned for his retirement in 2018 he knew that he wanted to give something back to the community that he lives in and decided that the best way to do that was to volunteer to work with the police cadet scheme in Goole.

Graham returned as a volunteer drawing from his valuable 40-years-experience. We asked him what made him want to volunteer. He said, "I felt I could add to the organisation with my experience, especially with the cadets, it's a prize opportunity to influence young people's lives and maybe help prevent them falling in with the wrong people and perhaps getting into trouble."



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On behalf of Humberside Police we want to thank Graham, not only for his 40 years of dedication to policing but to his continued public service as a volunteer.

Five New Police Cadets at Goole

On Thursday 30th May 2019, Goole Police Station welcomed five young people who have applied to become Volunteer Police Cadets. The group had a tour of the police station, spoke to existing cadets and were measured for their uniforms. The group had lots of questions and were all interested in different aspects of policing from firearms to investigations to police dogs.

In September they will join our existing cadets and will have an insight into operational policing. Alongside this they will have the opportunity to develop their skills, volunteer in their local community and to support police training.

If all of the applicants join us in September we will have 11 cadets at Goole and over 100 throughout the force. We will be recruiting cadets again in April 2020. For more information visit <https://www.humberside.police.uk/police-cadets>



APPEAL to find key witness in historic sexual assault on Chapel Hill in Pocklington

We are trying to trace a man who went to the aid of a teenage girl who was being sexually assaulted in Pocklington in August 2017. Although this offence occurred almost 2 years ago, the victim, a 15 year-old girl, has recently come forward to say she was attacked on Chapel Hill in Pocklington and that a man in his 30s came to her aid and her attacker fled. We are still working with the girl to establish the full circumstances of the incident but this man could be a key witness.

If this was you please call our non-emergency number 101 quoting reference 16/59600/19.

APPEAL as high value watch is stolen in Pocklington Burglary

Between midnight on Friday 17th May 2019 and 11.30am on Sunday 19th May 2019 a Rolex watch was stolen from a home address on The Pines in Pocklington. The watch, a gold and silver Rolex with a blue face was stolen in the burglary and we are appealing for help to identify those responsible and to locate the stolen watch.

If you know anything about this burglary or the whereabouts of the stolen watch please call us on 101 quoting log 125 18/05/19.

APPEAL - Stones thrown at cars on A1079

On Sunday 12 May we received a number of reports of youths throwing objects at cars from fields alongside the A1079. One vehicle suffered a broken windscreen. The youths were described as being around 16 year-old and were throwing items at cars between the Kingswood roundabout and the caravan works roundabout.

Investigating the incidents is PC Stephen Morley, he said, "This was a very reckless act, and it is only by sheer good luck that no one was injured.



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A young mother and baby were travelling in the car that had its windscreen smashed were not injured but it was an extremely distressing incident for them. If you have information that would help identify those responsible please call us on the non-emergency number 101 quoting reference 16/57397/19."

APPEAL – Altercation in ALDI car park

We are appealing for witnesses in relation to an altercation which took place between two motorists in the car park of ALDI at approximately 13:30 on Friday 17th May. If you feel you can help with our enquiries, please call 101 quoting reference 16/59159/19.

Stay up to date and follow our new Social Media pages



Our Response, Investigation and Neighbourhood Policing Teams all use Facebook, Twitter and My Community Alert to share information but we have recently moved on to two new social media accounts. So, if you want to keep up to date with your local policing team please use the website links below:



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6. Meet your officers

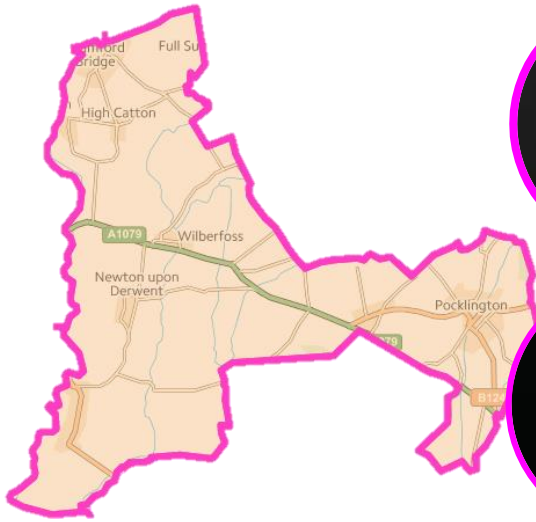
Does your local area want a Police Surgery? A member of your Community Policing team will be available to attend a premises (E.G Village Hall, Coffee mornings, Library's) and be there to discuss any matters in your area or any crime prevention advice. It is required that the police can use the area free of charge, and if possible a separate private area in case any person attends wants to speak about something confidential.

If you think the area would benefit, please get in contact and arrangements can be made, and hopefully we can make it a regular event and provide reassurance for your local area.



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PCSO Rosie Emerton is one of the PCSOs responsible for policing the Pocklington ward. You can meet Rosie next at The Boot and Slipper, Barmby Moor on the following date:

- Wednesday 3 July, 10:00am – 11:30am



PCSO Gareth Ludlow is one of the PCSOs responsible for policing the Pocklington ward. Gareth does not have any surgery dates for June but check the next newsletter for any future dates.