

## **Pocklington Provincial Update for September 2019**

#### 1. Crime and ASB

TFMV – Theft from motor vehicle TOMV – Theft of motor vehicle ASB – Anti-social behaviour

East Yorkshire-Pocklington Provincial Ward					Last 12 months											
		ear compared to Sep 18 to Aug 19		2019 Aug	2019 Jul	2019 Jun	2019 May	2019 Apr	2019 Mar	2019 Feb	2019 Jan	2018 Dec	2018 Nov	2018 Oct	2018 Sep	
All offences	617	623	+1.0%	55	62	40	51	60	33	43	53	58	50	60	58	
Burglary	53	61	+15.1%	5	5	2	5	9	5	3	3	6	9	4	5	
Criminal damage	110	110	+0.0%	7	12	11	5	11	4	7	14	9	9	12	9	
Drug offences	5	4	-20.0%	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	
Shop theft	16	17	+6.3%	4	2	2	2	4	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	
Sexual offences	28	19	-32.1%	1	0	0	6	1	1	2	1	2	2	2	1	
TFMV	15	14	-6.7%	2	1	1	0	2	1	3	0	1	1	2	0	
TOMV	3	3	+0.0%	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Thefts excluding vehicle and shop theft	83	84	+1.2%	10	10	6	9	11	3	9	6	10	2	4	4	
Violence against the person	238	244	+2.5%	18	21	16	16	18	15	16	23	21	19	30	31	
ASB	133	124	-6.8%	14	8	12	7	15	9	3	6	8	16	10	16	

In Pocklington it is positive to see that Drug offences, Sexual offences, Theft from Motor Vehicles and ASB have seen a reduction in the year on year number of offences compared to the previous 12 months. It is also worth noting that although some categories show that there has been a percentage increase in crime compared to last year, this is only a small increase. Detailed crime and ASB data for your area can be obtained by visiting <a href="https://www.police.uk">www.police.uk</a> and following the 'Find your Neighbourhood' link.



### 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 cycle left outside a property in Pocklington has been stolen.
- A wing mirror on a vehicle parked in Pocklington has been damaged.
- Several allotment sheds in Pocklington have been 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 September 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

#### **Telephone/Cold Call Scams**

These 'cold call' scams typically involve fraudsters/scammers deceiving victims into believing they are speaking to a police officer, a member of bank staff, or a representative of another trusted organization, such as a computer company in order to steal money.

Always be on your quard if you receive a cold call and are asked for any of the following:

- Personal or financial information, eg full name, date of birth, address, passwords, bank details, security numbers etc. Do not give this information out!
- You are asked to transfer or withdraw money.
- You are asked to hand over your credit / debit card or cash to someone eg a courier who will call and collect it.
- You are told that the caller requires access to your computer as it needs an "update" adding or that the caller needs to validate your copy of Microsoft Windows. Scammers can also tell you that your computer has a virus and ask you to download software to fix it: the software they want to give you to download is actually "spyware" that will give them access to all your online information.



• You are told that you have won something eg lottery winnings or a competition and so the callers needs your bank details to arrange to pay your prize money. (if you haven't entered any competitions then you can't have won anything!)

The bank or the police will never tell you to take such actions or ask you for financial information. If you are asked to do any of these things, someone is trying to con you!! If in doubt, call back the organization on a number you trust, but do it on another phone or leave it at least ten minutes before you make the call. This is important because criminals are able to keep the line open after you put down the phone, which means you could end up inadvertently talking to the criminal or their accomplice again.

For other hints and tips log onto the **www.actionfraud.police.uk** website, which lists an A - Z of different fraud types as well as tips on how to protect yourself from fraud.

### 5. News and Appeals

#### **Warning following recent incident**

We are warning drivers in our area of an incident that was reported to us in the early hours of Monday 23 September.

A man reported that he was driving a VW Caddy along Old Road in Leconfield when he came across what looked like a road traffic collision.

A motorcyclist was laid in the road with another man looking after him. The driver stopped and opened his window to ask if he could assist at which point one of the men is alleged to have assaulted the driver and the other stole two mobile phones from within the van by opening the passenger door.

The driver drove quickly away from the scene and reported the incident to us. He has been left with a serious wound to his arm which needed hospital treatment.

Detective Inspector Andy Crawforth said, "We have launched investigation into this incident and are obtaining a statement from the victim to establish the full circumstances. I would like to appeal for witnesses to the incident or for anyone who saw anyone acting suspiciously in the area.

"The victim said that the men spoke with Liverpool accents and that he may have injured one as he drove away."

"I am also asking for members of the public to express caution if they come across a road traffic collision, especially during the hours of darkness. If you are alone in your car please exercise caution if you feel it is safe to stop, ensure you do not put yourself at any risk. Remain in your vehicle with the doors and windows closed and locked so you can assess what is going on prior to doing anything else. Call the police when safe to do so. Please consider the use of the <a href="What Three Words">What Three Words</a> app to help point the location if in a rural setting"

Anyone with information about this incident should call the non-emergency number 101 quoting log 24 23/09/19.



#### **Operation Galileo**



Operation Galileo is the Humberside Police response to tackling and reducing the incidents of hare coursing across the force area. Over the next 6 to 8 months at this time of year there is a seasonal increase in Wildlife Crime, namely illegal Hare Coursing and Poaching.

As part of Operation Galileo dedicated Patrols will aim to prevent and detect this activity with planned days of action. In addition, local patrols will be conducted to deter this type of criminality and will take positive action to anyone caught committing these offences and use the full extent of the law to disrupt this activity as much as possible.

We would like to encourage the local community to report any issues by calling Humberside Police on 101 (non-emergency number) or Crime Stoppers on 0800 555 111.

### 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.

**PCSO Rosie Emerton** is one of the PCSOs responsible for policing the Pocklington ward. Rosie does not have any surgery dates for September but check the next newsletter or website for any further dates.

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