



Protecting Communities, Targeting Criminals, Making a Difference

Parish/Town News Release

Pocklington Provincial Update for July 2016

1. Priority

Issue: Pocklington Town Centre area (Evenings):

Throughout July, 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) 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.

2 Priority

Issue: Youths causing annoyance with Vehicles, Stamford Bridge (Evenings):

Officers will continue patrols in Stamford Bridge and the Viking Road car park. Anyone caught engaging in anti-social behaviour will be dealt with under the FAIRWAY process jointly with East Riding of Yorkshire Council. It is unlikely that any discretion will be shown. Also 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.

2. Priority

Issue: Youths Causing Annoyance (Evenings):

Officers will continue patrols in the areas of Scaife Garth and Sherbuttgate due to reports of low level anti-social behaviour. Anyone caught engaging in such activities will be dealt with jointly with the East Riding of Yorkshire Council.

3. Meetings/Patrols

Street Patrol in Wilberfoss

PCSO Gareth Ludlow will be patrolling around Wilberfoss on the following dates: 24th July (11:00-12:00), 27th August (11:00-12:00) and 2nd October (11:00-12:00)

Street Patrol in Barmby Moor

PCSO Gareth Ludlow will be patrolling around Barmby Moor on the following dates: 24th July (14:00- 15:00), 28th August (11:00-12:00) and 1st October (11:00-12:00)

Police "Drop In Surgery" at Pocklington Library

PCSO Mike Simpson will be at the above location to discuss community issues and offer crime prevention advice between on the following dates: 10th August (10:00-12:00 hours) and 19th September (14:00 to 16:00 hours).

4. Crimes in your area

- A pressure washer was stolen from a garage.



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- Three dustbins full of scrap copper and a wheelbarrow full of old taps etc were stolen from a rear garden in Stamford Bridge.
- The side window of a Transit van parked in Pocklington was smashed – nothing was taken.

5. News and Appeals

Sneak Thieves

Now that summer is here again, we all want to relax and enjoy the warmer weather, however we still need to think about home security to prevent ourselves from becoming victims of crime.

So what do you need to consider?

You need to ensure that your home is always secure when you go out and that you don't leave potential entry points open and accessible, for example a downstairs window or a door. This also applies at night especially when it's a warm muggy evening and you are thinking about leaving a downstairs window open for ventilation whilst you are asleep.

You may be out working in the garden and out of sight of the windows or doors that you have left open. You could even be cutting the grass or hedge perhaps with a loud lawn mower/hedge cutter or be using power tools and it could be so easy in these circumstances for a sneak thief to take advantage of the situation, go inside your home and steal things, for example keys, handbags, wallets, laptops etc that are often on display or easily accessible.

The same applies with garages. We often leave the doors wide open and go off into the garden leaving everything in them on display. How easy is it then for someone to take advantage of this situation and steal bikes, power tools or garden equipment!

Lastly there's your vehicles to consider: On a warm day, there might be a temptation to leave your car parked on the drive with its windows open to allow fresh air to circulate, along with items, eg a sat nav, coat or shopping bags on clear view that you just haven't managed to bring in doors yet!. These items can all be stolen very quickly, but the worst case scenario is that your car could be stolen too.

The kinds of thefts described are committed by opportunists who could be wandering around your neighbourhood looking to take advantage of people who leave their property insecure **so think security at all times and don't become a victim of crime!**