

Louth Rural (January 2014) Neighbourhood Policing Team Area Update



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CURRENT NEIGHBOURHOOD PRIORITIES

Date Set: January 2014

Crime Prevention

At the joint panel meeting which was held at the beginning of January, it was decided that the priority for both panels for the next three months would be set to Crime Prevention. We will incorporate this in many different ways including making the best of Lincs Alert by signing up new members and sending out regular updates. We will hold crime prevention advice stalls and events with different literature and advice for people. We will be promoting shed/garage security in the lead up to spring. We will also be promoting cycle marking. Information about these events will be sent out in due course.

NEXT PANEL MEETING:

**Southern Area - Tuesday
1st April – Louth Police
Station – 7pm.**

**Northern Area – Tuesday
8th April – Holton le Clay
Parish Offices – 7pm.**

YOU SAID – WE DID *Action against set priorities*

Operation Lighthouse

The priority for both panels over the last three months was set to Operation Lighthouse.

We have conducted patrols of our villages to identify properties which could be classed as vulnerable making them a potential target to opportunist thieves. Once a property has been identified, we would try to make contact with the occupants and if unable to do so, we would post a leaflet through the door outlining why their property may be vulnerable.

We have used village newsletters and sent Lincs Alert messages with the important reminder of not leaving your property vulnerable.

We are pleased to report that burglaries on our area over the last three months have been minimal, however one burglary is always one too many and although it was decided this would no longer be a priority for the panels, we will continue our patrols during the dark evenings.

We are also pleased to report that over the Halloween and Bonfire night period, we received no reports of anti-social behaviour in our area.



CURRENT UPDATES

Quad Bike Thefts

We are still experiencing quad bikes thefts from rural locations. Please ensure that if you do own a quad bike, it is secured each night with the keys kept away from the vehicle. If you do see any suspicious behaviour around where quad bike are kept, please report it to ourselves with as much information as possible. If possible, please make sure that the bikes are fitted with an alarm/tracker.

Lincs Alert

We are currently running a campaign to increase our numbers of members on Lincs Alert, we will be using local newsletter to print our application form in the hope that people sign up and return the form. If you know anyone who isn't a member, please encourage them to become one. We always have application forms to hand so contact a member of the team if you require one. Alternatively, they can visit www.lincolnshirealert.co.uk

Vehicle Crime – Holton le Clay / Tetney area

Please be aware that during previous years we have seen a high increase in vehicle crime during the early months on the year in the Holton le Clay and Tetney areas. Previously, most of this has been thefts from unlocked vehicles with various items stolen. Please ensure that your vehicle is always locked and valuables removed or hidden from view.

We will be doing extra patrols in the areas targeted in previous years.

If you see or hear anything suspicious, please call us on 101 or 999 in an emergency.

LOCAL COMMUNITY NEWS / EVENTS

Free Cycle Marking

We have planned a free cycle marking event which is being held at Louth Cycle Centre on Saturday 25th January between 10am-1pm at Louth Cycle Centre, Station Estate, Newbridge Hill, Louth. Please contact PCSO Mekkaoui for more information.

Team Update

PCSO Cave is shortly leaving the team on maternity leave. We look forward to welcoming her back in the summer.

Immobilise

Please take a moment to register any new property received over the festive period on www.immoliilise.com. This is a free property register where you can add any items of your property. In the unfortunate event that it is then lost or stolen, you will have a better chance of getting it back. When Police forces recover any items, these are checked against the Immobilise property register, and if it is registered on there either the Police or Immobilise would contact you to make you aware of its location. Help us, help you, in the fight against crime.

Local Events

Our diary will soon start to be filling up for events over the summer period. Please let us know if your village is holding an event that you would like us to attend. We are happy to have a crime prevention stall at any events where possible, or alternatively we can just pop in and show our support.

Police Interceptors in Lincolnshire!

Lincolnshire Police is to feature on Channel 5's hit TV programme Police Interceptors. Filming started in January last year with the first transmission scheduled for this Monday 27th January at 8pm.

The programme follows Police Officers from across the Force and captures the wide variety of incidents they deal with. Supt West believes the show could help the public understand the challenging and diverse role of a Police Officer. "I hope that programmes such as these are a useful means to inform the public that we serve. It shows the type of incidents that we face on a daily basis and highlights the difficulties that our officers face when interacting with the people that we are helping or dealing with whilst we try to keep Lincolnshire as one of the safest places to live in the country. I have been privileged to see some of the footage in advance and found that it ranges from some incidents blended with humour to instances of gravitas."