



Your Local Team



Your Dedicated Neighbourhood Team (DNT) is a group of local Officers dedicated to serving your community. The team is made up of Officers based in your area, supported by the wider Policing family.

Your local Officers are
Sgt Jack Marris
PC Liz Smeaton
PCSO Blake Sheffield
PCSO Michelle Noone

Your priorities are chosen quarterly and are based upon information gathered through NHL (Neighbourhood Link), social media, local engagement, and emerging crime trends. You have stated that the following key themes are important to you. #YouSaidWeDid

You Said	We did
ASB – Ongoing issues with large groups of youths, gathering in large numbers being loud and abusive, playing loud music, fighting, and causing damage particularly in Crescent, Argents Mead, and Castle Street.	See page 3 for details
Night time Economy / Licenced premises – Reports of counterfeit currency, fake identification, and alcohol related ASB (Anti-Social Behaviour) during NTE. But also, other ASB related issues outside of peak NTE hours.	Hinckley has a dedicated operation every Friday and Saturday night where officers are deployed to the town centre. This is to provide a visible deterrent and a rapid response to any incidents that may occur. Hinckley CCTV work closely with the officers during the operation to watch over the town and identify offenders.
Shop Theft – Ongoing issues with known offenders committing shop thefts in town, using threat of violence and abuse towards staff. Impacting on small businesses suffering with monetary loss.	We are working closely with Hinckley CCTV and local retailers to combat and deter shop theft. Patrols are regularly conducted within the beat.

Door-to-door sales scammers are visiting households across East Midlands.

We have received several recent reports of rogue door to door salesmen who sell cleaning goods but then vastly overcharge. They are particularly targeting elderly and vulnerable people – if you have any older family members, friends or neighbours please check in with them to make them aware of the scam. If you are approached to pay by card, please do not. Our advice is do not open the door to or engage with anyone trying to sell goods, or to anyone you don't know or are not expecting. There is a cross-county operation targeting the activities of these criminals to bring them to justice and prevent future victims. "In the meantime, we're asking you to share this message far and wide, and if you see any suspicious activity to please report it to us."

Recent incidents have been reported in Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire, however we may also have victims in Leicestershire, but there may have been unreported cases across the county.

Doorstep fraud checklist: what to look for -

Fraudsters can be very believable, using urgency, emotion and good old-fashioned charm to persuade you to do something. But these might be the very clues you need that something isn't right. Here are some signs someone is trying to defraud you in person. What to do if you suspect fraud -

If you've seen something that doesn't feel right, STOP!

- break the contact – say no thanks and close the door
- don't hand over any money or personal information – you should never pay for goods you haven't received or work that hasn't been completed
- never let a cold caller pressure you into a quick decision – any legitimate trader will be happy to return later
- Check if its genuine: ask trusted friends and neighbours if they know the company, or enquire with Trading Standards.

What to do if you've already responded to the cold caller

Don't panic! What you do next depends on whether you've shared information or made a payment.

If you have been a victim of fraud please report it here:

<https://leicspolice.link/8Ktby>



News continued

Our amazing Neighbourhood Proactive Team (NPT) has had a great month with some amazing results. 3 cars were seized for a variety of reasons with the last one being left abandoned in Hinckley Sainsburys carpark whilst the occupants made off. Unfortunately for one he was not so nimble and was quickly detained, the other thought he was safe having headed across gardens scaling fences, but with cops surrounding the area and our land sharks released he was quickly detained and taken to custody for supplying drugs.

The NPT located a male they were looking for on Rugby Road. A quick search led to cash and drugs being found. Whilst he was locked up, the address we know he is staying at, even though he doesn't know we know, but when you know you know, if you know what we mean! Well anyway, his place was raided by the rest of the team, more cocaine was located and almost £5,000 in cash that was all piled up neatly. We also seized a couple of electric bikes and an e-scooter that we believed they were using to supply the drugs and were more than likely bought with proceeds of crime. A female was taken back to the Station for questioning as the team bagged up the cash and gear as evidence. It's amazing how much cash 2 people who aren't working have laying about. Call us suspicious. Both remain under investigation and we are hopeful that once we get the expert evidence and lab results back there will be some prison time coming.



PC Liz and PCSO Blake attended the Hinckley Leisure Centre for last months Hate Crime Awareness Week. We're grateful to the team there for welcoming us into the foyer to raise awareness and offer support. Thank you all to took the time to speak to us.

Two young females who have been banned from The Britannia Centre returned causing further anti-social behaviour. Staff used reasonable force to keep their distance as the girls became threatening. It wasn't long before the mother of one of the girls arrived making threats to staff. The girls are now making their way up the incremental approach issued in conjunction with HBBC, having already received an advice letter they have now been given a Warning, if their behaviour continues we would move to a behaviour contract.

NEIGHBOURHOOD LINK:

Neighbourhood Link is a community messaging service from Leicestershire Police that provides news and information about policing activity or initiatives, crime prevention advice as well as major incidents affecting your area. In order to receive messages, you will need to register your details. Registration is free and simple to follow. Sign up at: <https://www.neighbourhoodlink.co.uk>

Please also take the time to let the Beat understand your concerns by completing the survey to the right. Simply scan your camera over the top and click.



Community engagements



[Leics.police.uk/local-policing/](http://www.leics.police.uk/local-policing/)



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Beat Surgery

Thursday 6th November 2025

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Sunday 23rd November 2025

16.00-18.00

Hinckley Leisure Centre Foyer