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# Melton Rural North Beat

April 2024

Monthly newsletter



## What matters to you

A priority setting survey was recently sent out to Residents of the NR34 beat area however, it received very little in the way of a response, so the latest beat priorities have been set based on data from the previous year. They are as follows:

### Priority 1. Road Safety

Road safety, namely speeding, out on the rural and village roads remains a priority for the beat, with numerous villages suffering from inconsiderate driving.

What we are going to do: Visible traffic calming remains a successful way of deterring speeding motorists out on the rural roads. Where able, the deployment of the SL700 "speed gun" will be utilised along with the issuing of Tickets and S.59 warnings. (and much more)

### Priority 2. Farming Equipment Thefts and Rural Crime

Based on the very nature of the area, Rural Crime will likely always remain a priority for the Rural North Beat. Looking after our Rural Communities is of the utmost importance.

What we are going to do: We will continue patrols in isolated rural areas and visit victims of crime. We will also target those patrols based on current crime trends and intelligence. Where able, those that cause the most harm will be brought to justice.

### Priority 3. Vehicle Crime

Vehicle crime, including breaks to work vans remains a priority for the Rural North beat.

What we are going to do: Targeted patrols, reviewing of evidence and keeping the community updated with the latest trends and crimes.

## What we are doing

Targeted Priority Activity summary:

Multiple patrols have been carried out in the areas that have been highlighted as most affected by inconsiderately driven and speeding vehicles.

Warning letters and traffic offence reports are issued when circumstances allow.

Continued community consultations and engagements better inform the beat team of the areas that need patrolling and enforcement activity carrying out, so please come along to any beat surgeries you see advertised in your area!

An investigation into an allegation of bad driving continues and it is likely that two very inconsiderate drivers will be having a knock on their door soon and will be issued with a S.59 warning. If 2 of these are issued in the space of 12 months, their vehicles will be seized by police.

A drink driver has been taken off the road having provided a positive breath test of 86 milligrams of alcohol per 100 milliliters of breath on an approved breathalyser device.

## April Rural Crime

- Theft of hand tools from an allotment shed in Bottesford.
- Theft of diesel from a JCB parked on a farm yard in Eastwell.
- Agricultural vehicle stolen from a farm in the Waltham area.



## Neighbourhood Link

Please feel free to share this link to others you may know are who interested in signing up to Neighbourhood Link:

[Home Page - Neighbourhood Link](#)

To complete a survey please click here: [Please select one of the below options to start the survey.](#)  
([neighbourhoodlink.co.uk](https://neighbourhoodlink.co.uk))

Melton Rural North covers 120 square Miles and 40 Villages.

## **Village Matters**

Bottesford: A significant increase in ASB with youths has been noted. Reports have been submitted and work with partners continues to identify those responsible. Those identified will be placed on the incremental approach.



Waltham On The Wolds: Report of a stolen vehicle in a field. Officers attend, recover the vehicle, leading to the arrest of 2 individuals on suspicion of burglary.

Eaton: Report of a burglary from a barn whereby an item of value was taken.

Bottesford: Theft of 4x4 overnight.

### **Targeted Priority Activity Continued (summary):**

- Stolen vehicle recovered, 2 individuals arrested.
- Drink Driver taken off the road and charged.
- Investigation carried out in relation to the theft of a catalytic converter.
- Increased patrols surrounding the increase in ASB. Ongoing investigation into identifying those responsible with a view of educating and diverting behaviours, as well as entering them onto the incremental approach.
- Collaborative partnership work carried out to jointly tackle neighbourhood issues reported to the beat team.
- Numerous stop checks of vehicles during the later hours, namely 4x4 and vehicles towing trailers or farm equipment.



Our top reported crime in April 2024 was "violence against the person" and theft offences. You can see the crime stats on our beat web page: [Melton rural north | Your area | Leicestershire Police](#) | [Leicestershire Police](#) ([leics.police.uk](https://leics.police.uk))

Most of the violent crimes sadly involve Domestic Abuse. The legal definition of domestic abuse is: any incident of controlling, coercive or threatening behaviour, violence or abuse between those aged 16 or over who are personally connected, regardless of their gender or sexuality.

If you are affected by Domestic Abuse or concerned about someone else, you can report it to us or, if you're not ready to speak to the police, you can contact support organisations who will help you.

For more information please click the links below.  
[What is domestic abuse? | Leicestershire Police](#) ([leics.police.uk](https://leics.police.uk))

[Support organisations for victims of domestic violence | Leicestershire Police](#) ([leics.police.uk](https://leics.police.uk))

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