



Leicestershire
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Melton Rural North Beat

July 2026

Monthly newsletter



What matters to you

We have listened to you and the concerns you raised and are prioritising the following.

Priority 1: Road Safety

You said:

Speeding vehicles and breaches of weight restrictions are ongoing concerns across the beat.

What we are doing:

We will carry out high-visibility patrols and traffic operations. We will also monitor weight restrictions and take action where necessary.

Priority 2: Farming Equipment Theft and Rural Crime

You said:

Rural crime and the theft of farming equipment continue to be a concern for local communities.

What we are doing:

We will maintain patrols in rural areas and support victims of crime. Patrols will be targeted using local intelligence and crime trends.

Priority 3: Antisocial Behaviour (ASB)

You said:

Antisocial behaviour remains a concern within the community.

What we are doing:

We will patrol ASB hotspot areas and engage with local young people. Where offenders are identified, we will use appropriate measures to address their behaviour.

July Road Safety

On 5 July, a driver was stopped just after midnight on Nottingham Road, Bottesford due to their manner of driving. The driver failed a roadside breath test, was arrested and later charged with failing to provide a specimen for analysis.

- Officers attended a single-vehicle road traffic collision in Eaton on 5 July.
- Following reports of poor driving on Wymondham Drift, sufficient evidence was obtained to deal with the driver for driving without due care and attention. The driver was deemed eligible for a What's Driving Us? educational course and an offer letter was issued.
- An allegation of bad driving involving a vehicle being driven on the pavement in Sutton Close, Bottesford on 9 July remains under investigation.
- A report of a reckless driver using a mobile phone on Burden Lane, Harby on 15 July could not be progressed due to insufficient evidence.

On 22 July, officers attended a two-vehicle slight injury collision on Long Lane, Redmile.

July Rural Crime

- A vehicle stop check was conducted in Stapleford on 3 July at 21:30.
- A commercial burglary was reported on Goadby Road between 3 and 4 July.
- During the early hours of 8 July, a residential burglary in Waltham on the Wolds resulted in a vehicle being stolen. Thanks to a prompt report from a member of the public regarding suspicious activity on Thorpe Road, officers quickly located and recovered the stolen vehicle after the suspects fled the scene.
- Between 1:00am and 2:00am on 13 July, damage was caused to fencing on Normanton Lane, Bottesford, allowing access to steal cable close to the railway line.
- An Ifor Williams horse box was stolen from Eastwell overnight between 14 and 15 July and was subsequently recovered by Belfast Harbour Police on 17 July.

Melton Rural North covers 120 square Miles and 39 Villages.

Parking Considerately in Our Villages

We are aware of a number of parking concerns that have been raised across the beat. Common issues include vehicles parking partially on pavements and parking on narrow village roads, making it more difficult for other road users to pass safely.

The police can take action in certain circumstances. This may include situations where a vehicle is causing a complete obstruction of the highway or pavement, or where a resident is unable to access or leave their driveway because a vehicle is blocking it.

However, it is important to understand that not all inconsiderate parking is an offence. If a vehicle is parked legally and is not causing a complete obstruction, and there are no parking restrictions in place, police powers may be limited. In these situations, while the parking may be inconvenient or frustrating for others, enforcement action is often not available and officers may only be able to offer words of advice to the driver.

We would encourage all motorists to park thoughtfully and consider the needs of pedestrians, wheelchair users, parents with pushchairs, emergency vehicles and local residents. A few extra moments spent choosing a suitable parking space can help keep our roads and pavements safe and accessible for everyone.

July Rural Crime continued

- A commercial burglary on Waltham Lane, Harby during the early hours of 22 July resulted in the theft of an ATV.
- A deliberate fire involving fly-tipped materials was reported on Goadby Road on 21 July.
- A white Ford Transit van was stolen in Muston between 24 and 25 July.
- Building equipment was stolen from a garage on Rectory Lane, Bottesford during the early hours of 28 July.
- A commercial burglary occurred on Belvoir Road, Bottesford between 17 and 20 July.
- A vehicle was broken into on Main Street, Sproxtun between 27 and 28 July.

On 31 July, offenders carried out a residential burglary on Belvoir Road, Bottesford, stealing car keys and a vehicle. The stolen vehicle was then used to gain access to a nearby commercial premises, where a minibus was stolen

June Antisocial Behaviour

- Criminal damage was caused to a business window on Queen Street, Bottesford on 1 July.
- Report of driving on private land in Buckminster on 4th July by Quad Bikes.
- A report of children on Walford Close throwing stones and apples at properties to the rear of Queen Street.
- A neighbour dispute was reported on 16 July.
- Officers received a report on 16 July of a female causing a public nuisance on Walford Close, Bottesford.
- Report of Mopeds causing a nuisance in Bottesford on 6th July

- A report of a tree stump fire at the Skate Park on Grantham Road on 10th July
- Report of Vehicle nuisance in Belvoir on 11th July.
- Report of Vehicle nuisance in Redmile on 22nd July

Reports of anti-social behaviour involving vehicles, littering and public order offences were received at Harby Village Hall. Reassurance patrols have commenced at this location and engagement with those present.

A joint visit was completed with Leicestershire Fire and Rescue at the Skate Park in Bottesford meeting the Parish Council and local residents to address the sporadic fires which have occurred at the location

Neighbourhood Link

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

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Meetings and Events

Dove Cottage Beat Surgery

10:00AM - 11:00AM, Sat 08 August 2026
Dove Cottage Charity Shop Canal Lane Stathern

Waltham on the Wolds Community Cafe beat surgery

10:30AM - 11:30AM, Wed 23 September 2026
St Mary Magdalene Church High Street Waltham on the Wolds

Scafold Beat Surgery

3:00PM - 4:00PM, Sun 04 October 2026
Scafold Village Hall car park, Sandy Lane Scafold