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# Birstall & Wanlip Newsletter

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## Your Local Team



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## What matters to you

### Priority 1: Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB);

The community have stated that ASB is a concern within the Birstall ward

ASB has been raised as a concern. High visibility patrols have taken and continue to take place at School Lane playing fields and the associated car parks, Birstall service station, Meadow Lane near to the entrance of Watermead Park, Whiles Lane and the playgrounds around the Hallam Fields Estate.

### Priority 2: Traffic concerns/Road Safety;

The community have stated that road safety and obstructions are a concern

We are conducting patrols around the Primary Schools have taken place at regular intervals at the affected times, and consultation is still underway with the councils incorporating the Leicestershire road safety partnership in order to identify and implement long term solutions.

We have visited Riverside Primary School to deliver a road safety assembly and activities including being interviewed by some of the student and completing some speed checks on the Wanlip Lane with some of the students.

Advice letters have been created and sent out to the parish council to forward onto any sport organisers utilising the School Lane Playing fields in a bid to highlight road safety concerns and encouraging participants to use nearby free car-parks.

### Priority 2: Theft from unattended motor Vehicles;

There has been an increase in theft from motor vehicles in the last 3 months, predominately on the West side of the beat (Goscote Ward, and Greengate Ward) between 4pm and 3am.

Patrols have taken place at key times and locations to deter offenders and work will continue to assist with investigations to identify and prosecute offenders.

## News

So far this year in relation to Burglary and vehicle crime overall we are doing better than the same period last year, albeit as you can see from the breakdown on the following page, theft from motor vehicles is unfortunately up.

This type of crime (Theft from vehicles) can be committed so swiftly by criminals, it is great that people are starting to report it more, nevertheless I am very much aware that this type of crime is massively under reported and in reality figures are likely to be much higher.

As a team we have been out on a regular basis engaging and consulting with local residents, during which time we are encouraging residents to report any concerns or offences and to provide us with information and report suspicious behaviour/activity. If we don't know about it we cannot respond - We hear that a lot of people do not report crime saying things like 'what's the point?', nothing ever gets done!' which is disheartening to hear.

It is true that lots of incidents/crimes are reported to the police, to which we do not always have the resources for and have to base our attendance on the attached threat and risk to individual cases in order to ensure that we can attend the emergency incidents received, which without doubt creates disappointment to some victims of crime and reduces their confidence within the police due to not meeting their expectations. This then leads them or people they have shared their experiences with to not report some types of crime, share information etc...

As the dedicated neighbourhood officer for Birstall & Wanlip I review the incidents and reports that we receive, and review data in order to identify crime increases or hotspot areas, however without residents reporting crime or suspicious incidents/behaviour it unfortunately allows criminals to flourish for longer. If I can evidence that further support is required to combat a particular issue, through information available to me and from reports received, I can develop a local policing operation and request additional resources, including officers from specialised departments to assist in combatting the problem.

As a policing team we will continue to be as visible as possible, both physically on the beat but also through social media, alongside regular updates that are added within the Birstall post.

Lastly I would like to highlight Neighbourhood Link (NHL) to those still not signed up - NHL is a communication interface that allows the local team to effectively communicate with local residents of any specific location, whether that be the whole of Birstall or just a specific road. We will send out crime alerts as crime occurs near to your home, so that you are kept up-to-date and also send out regular newsletters. Also included we are able to send out various surveys, which help us gauge the communities confidence towards the police, and also any local concerns that we can then use to develop our local policing priorities, so that we are policing/focusing on what matters to you.



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## Community engagements

### Upcoming Events

The Leicestershire Police website: [www.leics.police.uk](http://www.leics.police.uk) shows dates/times of upcoming events & beat consultations. Please take the time to visit the site in order that you can come and share your views, and help to develop the priorities that concern you.

# Crime Update

(01st January 2024 until 06th May 2024—Compared with the same period the previous year)

Offence	Current	Previous	Difference	%
<b>Burglary</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>- 6</b>	<b>- 42.9%</b>
Residential	7	11	- 4	- 36.4%
Non Residential	1	3	- 2	- 66.7%
<b>Vehicle Crime</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>- 5</b>	<b>- 12.8%</b>
Theft Of Vehicle	2	18	- 16	- 88.9%
Theft From Vehicle	29	11	+ 18	+163.6%
Vehicle interference	3	10	- 7	- 70.0%
<b>Criminal Damage</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>+ 2</b>	<b>11.1%</b>
<b>Drugs</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>+ 2</b>	<b>+ 50.0%</b>
<b>Robbery</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0.0%</b>

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Please take the time to visit the Leicestershire Police website, which contains lots of valuable information in regards to various different crime types. Website: [Crime prevention advice | Leicestershire Police \(leics.police.uk\)](https://www.leicestershire.police.uk/crime-prevention)

Alternatively consider visiting one of our upcoming beat surgeries to discuss with your local officers.