

# Melton Rural North Beat

### January 2025

### 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 are a concern for you across multiple locations around the beat and issues with weight restrictions being breached.

What we are going to do. Visible traffic calming, speed monitoring enforcement. Monitoring of weight restrictions.

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

You said: You are concerned about rural crime across the beat and the theft of farming equipment which has a huge impact on daily farming tasks.

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.

#### Priority 3. Vehicle Crime

You Said: There is a concern about vehicle related crime including theft of vehicles and theft from vehicles.

What we are going to do. Targeted patrols and keeping the community updated with the latest trends and crimes.

Mobile patrols have continued across the Rural North beat covering both sides of the A607 up to the borders of the beat

# What we are doing

The beat team have carried out the following activities for the beat priorities:

#### Priority 1

On 4th January a vehicle was stopped on Church Street, Scalford around 10pm and the driver is being dealt with for numerous document offences including driving without a valid licence.

On 17th January a single vehicle Road Traffic Incident occurred on Long Lane near Redmile, the driver was arrested for failing a road side breath test of 78.

There have been 2 other road traffic collisions resulting in injuries, one on King Street, Scalford on the 17th and one on Teigh Road, Edmondthorpe on the 23rd.

Patrols have been carried out along the road network around Goadby Road, Waltham on the Wolds, Saltby and Buckminster with a view to monitoring the weight restriction.

#### Priority 2

Patrols have continued by the beat team covering isolated rural locations. See below for the reported crime.

#### Priority 3

Investigations and Neighbourhood Link appeals have taken place into reported vehicle crimes, keeping the local community updated about crime in their area.

### **January Rural Crime**

25\*28591—15/01 23:30-01:30 16/01 - Residential Burglary, Burton Close, Harby

25\*38315—20/01 21:00-22:00 Residential Burglary, Melton Road, Waltham on the Wolds.

25\*43445—23/01 00:00-09:20 Green Lane, Goadby Marwood—Copper cable theft

25\*45455—22/01—23/01 - Lead Flashing stolen from The Geese and Fountain, Croxton Kerrial

25\*49774—23/01-26/01 - Criminal damage to storage shed at Bottesford Friendly Garden, Old Station Yard, Bottesford.

# **Neighbourhood Link**

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

Home Page - Neighbourhood Link

To complete a survey please click here: <u>Please select one of the below options to start the survey.</u>
(neighbourhoodlink.co.uk)

#### Village Matters

#### **BOTTESFORD**

There have been reports of antisocial behaviour around The Sands, Cover Drive and The Wickets where a small group of teenagers have been seen kicking residents front doors, and sometimes cars, mainly between 16:00 and 20:30. A sentinel case management report has been opened to investigate this and to support the area with patrols. If you have been affected please let us know by replying to this message



#### **STATHERN**

There have been reports of off-road motorbikes around the wider Stathern area using wooded areas and bridleways where they are not permitted, this has mainly occurred at the weekends. The beat team will be aiming to support the area with patrols.

## **January Vehicle Crime**

24\*768976 - 29/12/24 12:40-14:00 - Vehicle damaged on Granby Drive, Bottesford. The investigation is ongoing.

25\*10295—06/01 - 13:00-14:30 - Waltham Lane, Long Clawson - vehicle parked off the road following flood damage and vehicle deliberately damaged.

25\*10862 - 07/01 00:10-00:20 Attempt theft of camper van, Belvoir Road, Bottesford.

25\*30303 20: 00 15/0 - 12:00 12/01 Theft of a camper van near Harby. This was stopped and recovered by another force area following good communication with the victim and other police forces. Our response officers then travelled through 3 counties to bring the prisoner to one of our custody suites. The investigation is ongoing. If you have any information regarding the above crimes please call 101 quoting the relevant crime number or send a reply here.

### **Other Crime Trends**

Burglars often choose a home because they've spotted a specific vehicle, motorcycle or bicycle they want to steal – and the keys are more than likely to be inside the residence.

The Rural South area around Asfordby has seen an upsurge in attempt burglaries at addresses where high performance vehicles have been present.

#### How to protect your keyless entry car

When at home keep your car key (and the spare) well away from the car.

Put the keys in a screened or signal-blocking pouch, such as a Faraday Bag and check if the bag or pouch is still working every few months.

Re-programme your keys if you buy a second hand car.

Turn off wireless signals on your fob when it's not being used.

Additional physical security such as locks and immobilisers are still highly recommended. Additional physical security can help to prevent your vehicle being driven away even if a thief gains entry. There are a range of security rated products tested by Sold Secure that can help, such as steering wheel locks, pedal boxes and gear stick locks.

Some of these products, tested to Sold Secure Diamond, can even resist a small hand-held angle grinder.

It's also worth speaking to your vehicle dealership about installing an aftermarket immobiliser approved by the manufacturer.

Immobilisers prevent a vehicle from starting unless the correct fob, key or activation process is used. They can be personalised so that you're the only one who knows how to unset it via a number of dashboard controls.

Consider having a GPS Tracking device fitted to your vehicle.

### **Meetings and Events**

Waltham Village Hall Beat Surgery at the Coffee Morning on Goadby Road 10:30—11:30 Wednesday 5th March 2025.

Harby Coffee Morning Beat Surgery, Noon Valley Christian Centre, 14 Main Street, Harby, 10:30-11:30 Friday 11th April 2025

Bottesford Beat Surgery, Bottesford Police Office, Belvoir Priory Academy, Barkestone Lane, Bottesford. 16:00-17:00 Sunday 18th May 2025.