

Blaby, Cosby, Glen Parva & Whetstone Newsletter

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Your Local Team



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What matters to you

We have listened to you and the concerns you raised and prioritised the following:

Priority 1: Burglary

You said: General ASB often focuses on Blaby Precinct with youths gathering outside of shops and in the car park. ASB can also be noted in and around the open green spaces.

Priority 2: Road Safety

You Said: The Road Safety priority often focuses on speeding issues and includes residential and main arterial roads.

Priority 3: Drug Dealing

You Said: Over the last 3 months you have raised drug dealing as a priority across the beat including residential and public locations.

What we have done #YouSaidWeDid

Priority 1: **Burglary** – **We Did:** Since the 1st April 2025 we have had no residential burglaries reported across the beat however we did have one report of young people attempting to break into a shipping container. 4 youths have been identified as being involved and are in the process of being interviewed for this.

Priority 2: **Drug offences— We Did:** Over the last month the beat team have been developing intelligence we have received about drug dealing/offences across the beat with the aim to take enforcement in the near future. If you have any information regarding drug offences, you can report this to us via our website or if you wish to do this anonymously you can do this via Crimestoppers.

Priority 3: **Road Safety — We Did:** Road safety had been highlighted as a local priority for Blaby, Whetstone, Glen Parva and Cosby. Last week we received reports of vehicles driving in an anti-social manner in the Rose Way industrial estate in Blaby. The beat team are in the process of collecting CCTV and will be issuing section 59 warnings to those involved. In March the speed van visited the B582 Little Glen Road, Glen Parva for 1½ hours and captured 12 vehicles in excess of the speed limit. They also visited Croft Road in Cosby for 1hr 40mins where by 17 vehicles were captured.

Warning to people buying concert tickets via social media

The force's Economic Crime Unit is warning music lovers and concertgoers to be aware of scammers offering tickets for sale ahead of various summer events taking place across the UK.

Since the start of the year, three reports have been made from people living in both counties concerning tickets listed for sale on social media.

On 10 January, a woman from Uppingham reported that she had bought four gig tickets via Facebook Marketplace. She transferred the payment to a bank account that was in a different name to the seller and the tickets have not been transferred.

On 11 March, a man in West Leicester reported that he had tried to buy gig tickets via Facebook Marketplace. However, when he tried to make a payment, it was blocked by his bank as the receiving account was flagged as fraudulent.

On 17 March, a man from Loughborough reported he had paid a "small" amount for tickets. He was told by the seller that the ticket provider's website was broken and sent an Apple Wallet pass which was fake. The seller then began harassing him for more money – which was not sent – and made threats to him regarding reporting the matter to police.

Detective Sergeant Steve Wallage, from the ECU, said: "As we approach the summer, please be vigilant if you are looking to buy tickets to any concerts, sporting or other events. If you're looking for a spare ticket, always use genuine, authorised exchange websites when searching online.

"In some – but not all cases, social media accounts are accessed and used as a frontage to list and offer tickets for sale. The person responsible may utilise contacts and relationships from those accounts to sell tickets to friends of that account under the guise of being the genuine person.

"If you are tempted to purchase tickets or other high value products from friends adverts on social media, please contact them by other genuine known contact methods first to check it's a genuine listing"

- You can report to Action Fraud by visiting https://www.actionfraud.police.uk/
- You can also report via the force website by visiting https://www.leics.police.uk/ro/report/fo/v2/report-fraud-bribery-corruption/
- Further information about ticket fraud can be found by visiting <u>https://www.actionfraud.police.uk/a-z-of-fraud/ticket-fraud</u>
- Information about the Government's "Stop! Think Fraud" campaign can be found by visiting <u>Stop! Think</u> <u>Fraud - How to stay safe from scams</u>





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Community engagements

Don't miss out on our events:

Wednesday 7th May 2025 – Blaby Parish Council office – 10:00am – 11:00am

Thursday 12th June 2025 – Glen Parva Library – 10:30am – 11:30am

Thursday 17th July 2025 – Cosby Library - 10:30am – 11:30am

Look out for our events on the website and social media.