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Rutland North Newsletter #yousaidwedid

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Welcome to your monthly newsletter!

Focusing on the priorities that you want your local policing team to deal with



Your Dedicated Neighbourhood Team (from left to right):
PCSO 6557 Lauren Lyall, PS 4114 Liam Palmer, PC 1049 Jake Spruce

What matters to you

We have listened to you and the concerns you have raised through surveys, community consultations and analysing crime trends. Using this data, we have created the following Rutland North priorities that the Dedicated Neighbourhood Team will focus their efforts on:

Priority 1: Road Safety.

You said: Speeding vehicles on Rutland roads is a priority you want us to address, specifically the lack of adherence to 30mph zones.

What we are going to do: We will provide a frequent high visibility policing presence to the affected areas with marked vehicle patrols and regular monitoring. We will deploy the speed gun device and deal with offenders robustly where appropriate. We will also continue to work with partner agencies, such as the Road Safety Partnership mobile speed camera van, to identify areas of concern and request deployment of that resource. We will then continue to publish the enforcement statistics on the Neighbourhood Link messaging service.

Priority 2: Vehicle Crime.

You Said: Vehicles being broken into, items being stolen and damage caused to vehicles is a concern to you.

What we are going to do: Develop our intelligence picture around those who commit this type of crime so we that we can effectively target our resources in the right areas, at the right time, with the aim of deterring, disrupting and bringing offenders to justice.

Priority 3: Rural Crime.

You said: Reports of criminals stealing plant equipment and machinery from farms and building sites, as well as hare coursing and sheep worrying is a concern to you.

What we are going to do: Working closely with the Rural Policing Team, proactively patrol at all times of day and night. Robustly deal with offenders. Visit victims of crime and provide target hardening advice. Make efforts to locate and reunite stolen equipment. Respond to reports of hare coursing in progress on immediate responses and deal robustly with offenders. Deal with offenders of sheep worrying and out of control dogs, as well as educate the wider community on the issue through our Neighbourhood Link and Social Media channels.

What we have done #yousaidwedid

Over the past few weeks the beat team have dealt with numerous incidents, both in assisting our colleagues on response with emergencies, as well as progressing our ongoing case load of investigations and tackling the priorities that you want us to deal with. Things of note to mention –

The Quarterly Priorities were set at the start of April, in case you missed that update you can view it on the link here <http://leicspolice.link/bDrzl>

PC Jake Spruce and PCSO Lauren Lyall have both been extremely busy over the past month. PC Spruce visited Whissendine Youth Group and engaged with the local youths and youth workers, more engagement is planned for the future here. PC Spruce also now has a key to the village hall at Whissendine, allowing for some occasional remote working and community engagement opportunities. We also attended a beat surgery at Essendine and Cottesmore, thank you to those who came to speak with us. We were also both involved in searches for a missing person in a vast rural area, they were found safe and well. As always we've been working closely with Rutland County Council Community Safety Team on a variety of issues as well as partners in social services and the NHS with multiple mental health and vulnerable person incidents we've attended.

In relation to road safety – Operation Numbers has been in full effect, with Dedicated Neighbourhood PCSOs and PCs enforcing at multiple locations all over Rutland, specifically on the Rutland North the speed gun saw a visit to Burley and Cottesmore. Further to this, PC Spruce proactively stopped a driver after witnessing them on their mobile phone they were issued with a Traffic Offence Report, resulting in 6 points and a penalty fine. The beat also saw another drink driver arrested who provided a roadside breath sample of three times the legal limit. They were trying to drive the vehicle after their tyre had a blowout and was effectively on three wheels! The team have also been seizing multiple vehicles for multiple infringements. Lastly, PC Spruce attended a Road Traffic Collision on the beat with two motorbikes, thankfully no serious injuries, this gave the opportunity for some quick positive community engagement once all the “T”s crossed and “I”s dotted (pictured).

In relation to vehicle crime – A good news story. The pictured gentleman had their tools and golf equipment stolen from a van. A lot of valuable equipment, approximately £1,000 worth was recovered and returned to them, also opening new enquiries.

In relation to rural crime – PC Spruce has been out conducting intelligence led proactive patrols (pictured) late evening and on night shifts, stopping suspicious vehicles and providing a high visibility deterrent.



Crime and Policing Report – 30 day crime report, 20/03/2025 to 19/04/2025

Crime figures stretch over two calendar months, but still a 30 day period.

VEHICLE CRIME

- A1 – Fuel syphoned from HGVs overnight on three occasions.
- LANGHAM – Fuel syphoned from HGV overnight.
- GREETHAM – Theft of tools and golf equipment from van.
- GREAT CASTERTON – Power tools stolen from van.
- WHISSENDINE – Theft of motor vehicle overnight without use of key or entering house.
- GREETHAM – Persons look to buy car advertised and pour oil into the washer fluid to try and lower price.

THEFT

- GREETHAM – Theft of parcel left outside address.
- A1 – Generator stolen from roadside café.
- BURGLARY (other than dwelling)**
- EXTON – Quad bike stolen from a garage at a farm yard.
- ESSENDINE – Attempt burglary to commercial premises storage containers.
- GREETHAM – Chainsaw stolen from garden shed overnight.

Crime Trends and Prevention Advice

Unfortunately, we have seen an increase in thefts from vehicles as well as burglary other than dwellings last month, predominantly at rural locations. Please do what you can to help us by keeping things out of sight, ensuring gates, sheds and outbuildings are locked. Parking your van near to walls and other objects to make the doors hard to access and installing additional security. Please view the advice here on securing your property: [Keeping your shed or garage safe and secure](#). Please view the advice here on protecting your vehicle from theft: [Prevent theft from a vehicle](#)

Community engagements Come along and meet the team!

Don't miss our upcoming events:

Wednesday 7th May 2025 – 15:00 to 15:30 –
Whissendine Village Hall – Beat Engagement/Beat Surgery

Saturday 28th June 2025 – 11:00 to 12:00 – Market
Overton Village Feast Event and Exton Beat Surgery –
15:45 to 16:30 – Exton Village Hall

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