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Priorities and what we have done #yousaidwedid

Priority: Local Police are aiming to reduce burglaries around the Loughborough East beat.

Action taken: As a beat team, we are prioritising the reduction of burglaries across our area. We recognise the significant harm that burglary causes—not just in terms of property loss, but also the emotional and psychological impact it has on victims and the wider community. Burglary can leave individuals feeling unsafe in their own homes, disrupt their daily lives, and erode trust within neighbourhoods. Communities affected by repeated incidents often experience increased fear and reduced cohesion, which can have long-term consequences for wellbeing and resilience.

We also know that burglary rates tend to rise during the winter months. Longer hours of darkness provide more opportunities for offenders, and homes may be left unoccupied more frequently as people travel or attend seasonal events. That's why we're taking proactive steps now to prevent offences before they occur. Our approach will include—increased patrols in hotspot areas, targeted crime prevention advice to residents, working closely with partners and communities to identify and disrupt offenders. We encourage everyone to remain vigilant, report suspicious activity, and take simple steps to secure their homes—such as using timer switches for lights, locking doors and windows, and keeping valuables out of sight.

Update: Figures for January show that there has been no increase or decrease in the amount of burglaries on the beat. There is a trend usually over the winter months and the beat team are working hard to address this. Burglaries will remain a priority for the beat team into the start of 2026.

Priority: Police aim to tackle different elements of vehicles crime such as theft, TWOC and ASB caused by vehicles.

Action taken: Police aim to tackle vehicle crime by the use of dedicated patrols, both overt and covert in effort to reduce crime use of ASB with vehicles, disruption tactics on a wider scale using specialist officers. Theft and associated offences will be targeted by pursuing reasonable lines of enquiry to assist identify and prosecute offenders in a timely manner.

Community engagement continues within the Beat and a specific Police operation is in place to tackle vehicle crime in the area. Dedicated patrols remain ongoing, at times with support from our specialist colleagues (traffic and dog handling) to specifically target the areas of concern around vehicle crime. These will be published on our Facebook page to update the public that these take place.

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Update: At the time of writing, the last 28 days figures for Theft from Motor Vehicles and Theft of Motor Vehicles show an increase in incidents. This continues to be a priority for the beat team and work will be ongoing to reduce these offences further going into 2026, with the beat team and the NPA considering operations to tackle these sorts of crime.

Priority: Police are developing and targeting people within the area that are drug dealing, exploiting vulnerable people by cuckooing addresses and causing anti-social behaviour from this type of crime.

Action taken: Drug dealing has a significant and harmful impact on local communities. It often leads to an increase in crime and anti-social behaviour, including violence, theft, and intimidation. Vulnerable individuals—such as those with mental health issues or addiction—are frequently exploited, with criminals taking over their homes (known as cuckooing) or grooming young people into drug networks like county lines. This exploitation not only endangers the individuals involved but also undermines community safety and cohesion.

The presence of drug activity can create fear among residents, reduce the quality of life, and strain public services such as policing, healthcare, and social care. Public spaces may become unsafe or unwelcoming, and the overall sense of community pride and wellbeing can deteriorate. Tackling these issues requires a coordinated approach involving intelligence gathering, safeguarding, enforcement, and strong community partnerships.

Update: The beat team continue to conduct work to disrupt county lines, working on future closure orders for other addresses and visiting those for compliance checks that already have closure orders in place. Loughborough East currently has 3 full closure orders in place at the time of writing for addresses that are causing the most harm - with a further couple in the pipeline. The beat team also have conducted warrants with successful results and are working towards further warrants in order to disrupt, catch and convict those involved in county line drug dealing. The beat team continue to work hard to manage any current threats and identify any developing threats. We work closely with our partner agencies to ensure a collaborative approach to reducing this type of crime.

On **Wednesday 4th February**, **PC 1408 and PC 1343** attended Leicester Magistrates' Court to secure a Partial Closure Order, which was officially granted and is now firmly in place on an address on the Warwick Way estate, Loughborough. This order relates to ongoing issues involving drug use, drug dealing and associated antisocial behaviour. The closure aims to reduce disorder, improve community safety and restore some much needed peace for local residents. Officers will continue to conduct checks to ensure the order is complied with.

On **Sunday 8th February**, **PC 1408 and PC 1343** came across a man sat in his car enjoying a beer with the engine running. A positive roadside breath test confirmed he was over the legal limit and he was promptly arrested and taken into custody, where he was later charged with drink driving. Further checks revealed: no insurance, expired provisional license and vehicle seizure. He will now be appearing in court to answer for the offences.

On **Sunday 22nd February**, **PCSO 6053** was out on foot patrol carrying out engagement visits with stores at Willowbrook Retail Park when she was alerted by B&M staff to a male who had just stolen items from the store. Thanks to her quick response, she was able to catch up with the male, recover the stolen items and obtain his details. Unfortunately, due to the limitations of PCSO powers, she was unable to make an arrest at this time. However, all information was recorded and will be dealt with appropriately.

Across Loughborough, we have seen a 26% reduction in theft of motor vehicles and a 30% reduction in residential burglaries since the launch of **OP ORIGINAL**. This was launched in response to community concerns about an increase in motorbikes and cars being stolen across the borough. Local response and neighbourhood officers have worked with the force's roads policing unit and drone team in a number of enforcement operations to find and arrest those responsible. Since it was launched, officers have made numerous arrests and secured charges for offences including:

- Theft of motorbike
- Aggravated vehicle taking
- Taking a vehicle without the owners consent
- Driving with no license and insurance
- Possession with intent to supply
- Going equipped
- Conspiracy to steal

The team have also seized a significant number of stolen cars and motorbikes as well as vehicles used in crime.

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Upcoming Beat Surgeries



14:30PM-15:30PM, Thursday 12th March 2026



Marios Tinneti Centre, 91 Russell Street, LE11 1BJ



11:00AM-12:00PM, Wednesday 18th March 2026



Altogether Place, 72 Warwick Way, LE11 4UG



11:00AM-12:00PM, Thursday 19th March 2026



Fearon Hall, Rectory Road, LE11 1PL



15:00PM-16:00PM, Saturday 21st March 2026



Willowbrook Retail Park, LE11 5HG

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