

REPORTED CRIMES OF INTEREST FOR THE BASSETLAW EAST CLAYWORTH/ STURTON BEAT AREA – DECEMBER 2017.

The Clayworth/ Sturton beat area includes the following villages and hamlets – Drakeholes, Wiseton, Clayworth, Hayton, Clarborough, Welham, Tilm, North Leverton with Habbleshthorpe, North Wheatley, South Wheatley, Sturton le Steeple, Bole, West Burton, Littleborough, Coates and Fenton.

The crimes of interest – incidents of burglary, criminal damage and thefts – reported for the beat area between 01/12/2017 and 31/12/2017 were –

Burglary Dwelling – 2 (Coates and Sturton le Steeple).

Theft Other – 3 (Wheatley x2 and Hayton).

This month there has been five reported crimes of interest across the whole beat area. This compares with five crimes reported throughout November 2017 and eight crimes reported over the same period last year.

So far this year, from 01/04/2017, there have been fifty four crimes of interest reported across the beat area. This compares with sixty six reported in the same period last year. As such, nine months into the tracking year, these figures equate to a decrease in reported crime in that period of twelve crimes.

This spike in reported burglary dwelling crimes reminded me of a similar period in early January 2015 where the parishes of Beckingham and Walkeringham, in particular, were targeted. Offenders were arrested for those crimes.

In relation to recent burglary dwellings across East Bassetlaw, and further afield, a teenager and a man have been charged following ten burglaries in the north Nottinghamshire area. The burglaries occurred between December 7th and 15th in Winkburn, Gamston, Norton, Woodbeck, Retford, Rampton, Bothamsall, Coates and Sturton le Steeple.

A sixteen year old boy and a twenty three year old man were arrested and taken into custody on December 15th and later charged with conspiracy to commit burglary. The sixteen year old was released on bail, while the older male was remanded in custody, both to appear at Nottingham Crown Court on Monday, January 15th.

A Police spokesman said investigations are continuing and officers are looking for a further three men in relation to these offences. Anyone with information is asked to call Nottinghamshire Police on 101.

Following the Christmas period and, in some cases, visits to January sales events, please be careful in how you dispose of unwanted packaging. Do not advertise to criminals what new items have been purchased to enhance the look of your home.

Some auto crimes are being reported across adjoining beat areas, and historically across this one, which could be prevented by adopting basic security measures around vehicles.

Vehicles are still being left insecure overnight and, in a lot of cases, items, which are attractive to criminals, are being left inside on full view to the same.

There are criminals out and about who randomly visit villages in order to check on vehicle insecurities. They will try door handles of vehicles of vehicles parked on the public highway or on private driveways.

Some vehicles, particularly in the colder weather, are being left with the keys in the ignition and the engine running. These instances might only be occurring for very short periods of time, such as when visiting the local shop or, indeed, when collecting the vehicle from a garaged area. Criminals only need a very short period of time to steal vehicles when opportunities such as these arise. Some criminals will monitor individuals' movements and habits before targeting

their vehicles. Please do not be caught out as the consequences could be a long and stressful claim to the insurance company who may not honour the same due to the circumstances.

This month there has been seven reported incidents of anti-social behaviour across the whole beat area. This compares with one reported incident for November 2017 and seven reported for the same month in 2016. The anti-social behaviour umbrella covers a wide range of incident types including hoax calls to the emergency services, found/ abandoned vehicles and wildlife/ animal issues.

The control room continue to receive reports from community members of sightings of suspicious persons, vehicles and activity across the beat area. These calls are important to us all and do help in keeping reported crime figures relatively low across the beat area.

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Please do not use these telephone numbers to report incidents and/ or crimes. Our works numbers should only be used for non-urgent matters – including seeking advice and/ or information.

May I take this opportunity to thank all residents across the beat area for all your valued interest and support in 2017, and send everyone best wishes for 2018.

Best Regards. PCSO 8139 Dave Airey.