

Reported Crimes Of Interest For The Bassetlaw East Clayworth/ Sturton Beat Area – August 2018.

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 01/08/2018 and 31/08/2018 were –

- Burglary Other – 1 (Clayworth).
- Theft of Motor Vehicle – 1 (Wiseton).
- Theft Other – 2 (North Wheatley x2).
- Criminal Damage Other – 3 (Clarborough x2, Coates).

This month there have been seven reported crimes of interest across the whole beat area. This compares with nine crimes reported throughout July 2018, and eleven crimes reported over the same period last year.

So far this year, from 01/04/2018, there have been thirty nine crimes of interest reported across the beat area. This compares with thirty five reported in the same period last year. As such, five months into the tracking year, these figures equate to an increase in reported crime in that period of four crimes.

The weather has been extremely kind to us this summer and, hopefully, this will continue for some time to come into the autumn season. Whilst completing local enquiries recently, the local beat teams have noticed that some properties have been left temporarily unoccupied, with windows left open. Please remember that in some cases, open windows prove to be very attractive to criminals.

Of course, in the weather which we are experiencing, it is right to have windows open but ensure that windows are only left open in rooms which are occupied and only leave doors open when they are in full view. Over recent months, there have been sneak-in burglaries reported to our control room where the property occupants were in their own garden area. Fortunately, this has not happened on this beat area but it has on adjoining beat areas, in parishes not too far away. Please remember that a third of all burglaries in Nottinghamshire are due to insecurities at properties.

Over the last few months, residents of a couple of villages/hamlets across the three beat areas have shown an interest in forming a Neighbourhood Watch scheme. The schemes do not have to incorporate the whole of the parish; they can be run by residents of a few streets, if needed. Neighbourhood Watch (NHW) schemes are run by volunteers in the community who work closely with their local police team to prevent and detect crime.

Criminals are put off by Neighbourhood Watch areas because they know people are actively determined to prevent crime and may be more vigilant than in other areas. Residents in Neighbourhood Watch areas also feel safer knowing their neighbours are keeping an eye out for one another while they are at work, or on holiday.

By sharing details of suspicious activity with the local Police, it also helps the local officers to prevent crime and target criminals.

I do have contact details for the county co coordinator if any parish, or part parish, wishes to discuss the scheme further with a view to participating in the scheme. For more information about local neighbourhood watch schemes for Nottinghamshire, please visit the **Notts Watch website**.

During the summer months of this year, I have been made aware of a number of exceptional annual, seasonal events across this, and other beat areas, and these seem to be getting more

popular year on year. A large amount of credit needs to be passed to the event organisers and exhibitors, without which these occasions would not be possible. The success of the same is dependent on the local community supporting these ventures and it has been very pleasing to see the events growing in popularity with local, and not so local, community members. Well done to you all.

This month there has been just four reported incidents of anti-social behaviour across the whole beat area. This compares with two reported incidents for July 2018 and four reported for the same month in 2017. 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.

Schools will soon be returning following the summer break. Reported incidents of anti-social behaviour over the last couple of months have been in line with those reported in earlier months. Very, very few of these types of incidents reported are now youth related. Once more, the young people in our community need to be thanked for their behaviour over the summer period, and I will be endeavouring to share this message when I meet up with them, as part of my patrols.

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.

Thank you for your valued interest and support. It is, as always, very much appreciated.
Best Regards. PCSO 8139 Dave Airey.