

## **Reported Crimes Of Interest For The Bassetlaw East Clayworth/ Sturton Beat Area October 2018.**

**The Clayworth/ Sturton beat area includes the following villages and hamlets – Drakeholes, Wiseton, Clayworth, Hayton, Clarborough, Welham, Tiln, 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 01/10/2018 and 31/10/2018 were –

- Burglary Dwelling – 1 (Clarborough).
- Burglary Other – 1 (Clarborough).
- Theft Other – 1 (North Leverton).
- Criminal Damage to a Motor Vehicle – 1 (Clarborough).

This month there have been four reported crimes of interest across the whole beat area. This compares with five crimes reported throughout September 2018, and three crimes reported over the same period last year.

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

This month there has been five reported incidents of anti-social behaviour across the whole beat area. This compares with no reported incidents for September 2018 and ten 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. Of the five anti-social behaviour incidents reported for last month, none could be classified as youth related. Since the last report we have had Mischief night and Halloween night – again, on both these occasions, the nights have passed by without any major issues reported by community members.

Over the last few months there have been a number of Police operations locally, tagged Operation Bifocal, which targets wildlife crime, including poaching, lamping, deer hunting and hare coursing. Sometimes these operations are run alongside similar operations within neighbouring Police forces. Those that read local news articles will have seen recent reports where offenders have been apprehended, and items and equipment seized from them for investigation purposes. More of these operations are planned in the run up to Christmas, where this type of activity generally increases. Not only are wildlife at risk from this activity, but farmers and landowners also suffered due to damage caused to their land and crops.

Crime trends are generally consistent and repetitive year on year. I make no apologies in re iterating the following piece of advice which appears annually in the reports that I send out to be published.

Another month has gone by and as we get towards the middle/end of November the weather tends to get particularly colder and it will not be long before we will be greeted with a layer of frost on all the windows of the cars. This inevitably puts you behind schedule in your rush to get to work. Please do not be tempted to leave your car on the drive, or on the street, unattended with the engine running so that the windows can defrost while you finish your breakfast. There are opportunist thieves who will gladly drive away in your car while you are finishing your breakfast.

As well as explaining to your employer why you will not be at work on time, you may also have a potential battle with your insurance company who are unlikely to pay for a vehicle that has been

stolen while left unattended with the keys in the ignition. You could be left with no car but still have to pay the outstanding loan amount, as well as having to find the funds for a new vehicle. Is it really worth all the inconvenience when the alternative is to put the radio on and listen to the news for a few minutes while your car heats up with you sitting in it?? Alternatively you can cover your windscreen the night before to stop the frost from settling.

If defrosting your car has made you a little late, please do not be tempted to take risks on your way to work. There are lots of country roads in East Bassetlaw that are vulnerable to icy patches and, traditionally, the number of road traffic collisions increases at this time of the year. No one hates the sound of the alarm clock going off in the morning more than me, but by setting it five minutes early in the bad weather you can defrost your car and take a steady drive in to work and ensure that you arrive safely. Please take care so that you arrive at your destination safely.

Nottinghamshire Police, together with forces nationwide, conduct a number of operations throughout the year. One of these operations is called "Fatal Four" – this operation takes place throughout the year, but is heavily publicised in the local press in the run up to Christmas and the New Year.

**"Fatal Four" relates to inconsiderate and/or inappropriate driving particularly in relation to:**

- **Persons driving vehicles in excess of the speed limit.**
- **Persons driving vehicles, and/or passengers, not wearing seat belts.**
- **Persons driving vehicles whilst using mobile phones.**
- **Persons driving vehicles whilst under the influence of drink and/or drugs.**

These operations take place at all locations across the county including both urban and rural areas.

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.**