

Reported Crimes Of Interest For The Bassetlaw East Clayworth/ Sturton Beat Area for September 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 01/09/2018 and 30/09/2018 were:

- Burglary Other – 1 (Bole).
- Theft of Motor Vehicle – 2 (Coates (July 2018), Clarborough).
- Theft Other – 2 (Bole, North Leverton).

This month there have been five reported crimes of interest across the whole beat area – this includes one crime, from a couple of months ago, which was originally given the beat code from another area. This compares with seven crimes reported throughout August 2018, and five crimes reported over the same period last year.

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

This month there has been no reported incidents of anti-social behaviour across the whole beat area. This compares with four reported incidents for August 2018 and six 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.

As another year draws to a close and Halloween/ Mischievous Night and Bonfire Night approaches, it would be a good time to remind everyone of the rules and regulations associated with the use and possession of fireworks. Every year the Police get numerous complaints about the misuse of fireworks and, as we know, people are still maimed and killed by their misuse. On the flipside, for this beat area, over the last few years we have received very few complaints relating to the use and abuse of fireworks.

The Fireworks Act 2003 put in place the Firework Regulations 2004.

Regulation 4 makes it an offence for any person under the age of 18 to possess any firework in a public place or any place to where the public have access (except indoor fireworks such as cap, cracker snap, novelty match, party popper, serpent, sparkler or throw down).

Regulation 5 prohibits any person from possessing a category 4 firework, whether in a public place or not.

Regulation 7 creates a curfew on the use of fireworks between the hours of 11 pm and 7am with the following exceptions –

- (a) Chinese New Year 1 am (the following day) to 7am.
- (b) 5th November 12 midnight to 7am.
- (c) Diwali 1 am (the following day) to 7am.
- (d) 31st December 1 am (the following day) to 7am.

Regulation 9 states that no person will supply fireworks to the general public outside the following periods, unless they hold the appropriate license:

4 days before and including the day of Diwali.

4 days before and including the day of the Chinese New Year.

6 days before the 31st December.

3 weeks before and 5 days after the 5th November.

Most shops are now ready, or in the process of getting ready, for the Christmas trade. Some of us will have started Christmas shopping now, some will be starting in the next month, or so, and some, as always, will be leaving things to the last minute.

We are working hard in the run up to, and over, Christmas to keep you and your family safe, but there are steps you can take to help us when you are out shopping, at cash machines, out for the evening or at home. Below are some early tips and reminders.

When you are out shopping

- Keep valuables in inside pockets of clothing or bags.
- Only carry the cash that you need.
- Park in an open, well-lit area. Visit www.parkmark.co.uk for details of approved car parks.
- Avoid going back to your car to leave your shopping part way through your trip. If you have to keep presents in the car, make sure they are out of view in the boot, the car is locked and keep the receipts with you.

At cash machines

- If you see anything suspicious alert the bank or call the Police on 101.
- Shield the keypad when typing in your PIN at a cash machine or in a shop.
- Only withdraw as much as you need and avoid carrying large amounts of cash.
- Put your money and cards away (not in your back pocket) safely before leaving the machine.

When you are out for the evening

- NEVER leave your things unattended.
- Make sure someone knows where you are going and when you will be home.
- Avoid walking home alone and never with someone you don't know well.
- Drink responsibly, arrange for a member of your group to be a designated driver.
- Check your taxi drivers ID and never get into an unlicensed taxi.

At home

- Don't leave presents under the Christmas tree if they are visible from windows or doors.
- Never keep large amounts of cash at home.
- Make sure you keep your doors and windows locked at all times.
- Keys should always be kept out of sight and not left in doors or in view of windows.
- Make your house look occupied, use a timer switch to operate lights as it starts to get dark, leave a radio on.
- Don't open the door to anybody you don't recognise. Not sure? Don't open the door.

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.