

REPORTED CRIMES OF INTEREST FOR THE BASSETLAW EAST CLAYWORTH/ STURTON BEAT AREA – AUGUST 2019.

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 01/08/2019 and 31/08/2019 were:

- Burglary Dwelling – 4 (Wiseton, Clarborough x3).
- Burglary Other – 3 (South Wheatley x2, Hayton).
- Theft from Motor Vehicle – 2 (Clarborough, North Leverton).
- Theft from Shop – 1 (Clarborough).
- Criminal Damage to a Dwelling – 1 (Clayworth).
- Criminal Damage to a Motor Vehicle – 1 (Clarborough).

This month there has been twelve reported crimes of interest across the whole beat area. This compares with thirteen crimes reported throughout July 2019 and seven crimes in the same month last year.

So far this year, from 01/04/2019, there have been thirty eight crimes of interest reported across the beat area. This compares with thirty nine reported in the same period last year. As such, five months into the tracking year, these figures equate to a decrease in reported crime in that period of one crime.

This month there has been just one reported incident of anti-social behaviour across the whole beat area. This compares with three reported incidents for July 2019 and four reported for the same month in 2018. 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.

In the weather which we are continuing to experience, on some days, 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. Please remember that a third of all burglaries in Nottinghamshire are due to insecurities at properties.

As we move forward into September, and the meteorological autumn period, some of us will be continuing to complete late season gardening work and some of us will be finishing the final touches prior to a break for the autumn/ winter period. The crime prevention advice around shed and out building security and the protection of personal tools and gardening equipment remains the same the whole year round.

Similarly, in September it is usual for shops and stores to be introducing their Christmas ranges. Some of us will be thinking about our forthcoming Christmas present list while others will have actively started buying items for presents for the special day.

Most of the year, there does not seem to be enough hours in the day, but at this time of the year I hear that comment on a more regular basis. However, when you are out and about completing your shopping, festive or not, please be aware that there are persons who are out and about actively committing crime and exploiting any vulnerabilities in the way we go about our day to day business. Below are a few tips to consider whilst on shopping trips:

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 items, or 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.

Much of my security advice, shared in the Police reports, must sound very repetitive, and I must admit that it is. Crime trends are very seasonal, usually, and what is attractive to criminals in one season might not be quite as attractive in another season.

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.

I continue to receive calls on my works phone from residents wishing to report incidents and crimes. In many cases these calls are received when I am on rest days or annual leave and have not got my works phone to hand. Residents must be comfortable in reporting these occurrences to our control room on 101 in order to receive the best, and real time, service from those officers who are on duty.

Thanks, as ever, for your continued help, interest and support – it is, as always, very much appreciated.

Best Regards.
PCSO 8139 Dave Airey