

REPORTED CRIMES OF INTEREST FOR THE BASSETLAW EAST CLAYWORTH/ STURTON BEAT AREA – JULY 2020.

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 01/07/2020 and 31/07/2020 were –

Theft of Motor Vehicle – 1 (South Wheatley).
Theft Other – 1 (Sturton le Steeple).
Criminal Damage to a Motor Vehicle – 1 (Hayton).
Criminal Damage Other – 2 (Clayworth (30/06/2020), Hayton).

This month there have been five reported crimes of interest across the whole beat area. This compares with eight crimes reported throughout June 2020 and thirteen crimes in the same month last year.

From 01/04/2020, there have been twenty five crimes of interest reported across the beat area. This compares with twenty six reported in the same period last year. As such, at the conclusion of the fourth month in this tracking year, these figures equate to a decrease in reported crimes of interest of one crime.

Please continue to report crime - and incidents - through to our control room on 101, or 999 as appropriate. Even in these most difficult of times, where possible, reported crimes will be dealt with in the same way as they have always been recorded, and dealt with. Please remain aware of any suspicious persons, vehicles and activity in the area and continue to report such instances through to our control room, as normal.

Nottinghamshire Police recently started using a new system for recording incidents. As from February 2020, the Police report will include anti-social behaviour incidents only, negating other incident types from this category, such as hoax calls to the emergency services, found/ abandoned vehicles and wildlife/ animal issues. Again, these figures should, therefore, start to decrease but will be more accurate in relation to actual anti-social behaviour incidents on the area. However, as has been confirmed by the Force, there has been an increase in this type of incident being reported to the control room over recent months. This month there have been two reported incidents of anti-social behaviour across the whole beat area. This compares with seven reported incidents for June 2020 and three reported for the same month in 2019.

The last few days of July has seen us very fortunate to have witnessed glorious hot weather, for much of the time, with some of the temperatures recorded being the highest on record. With the weather being so favourable, there is always a temptation to leave windows and doors in our property open. The advice from the Police would always be to only have windows and doors open in rooms which are being used, or where the insecurities can easily be viewed by the home owners. Please remember that a third of burglaries in Nottinghamshire are due to insecurities at properties.

Local, and national, news regularly reports of fraudulent activity taking place. This, in turn, causes major distress and hurt to those affected by the same. Recently, I have been made aware of some harrowing stories where residents have been scammed. Fraudsters have been taking advantage of the pandemic situation we are in, particularly in relation to the supplying of

domestic safety equipment, and the travel limitations we are under instruction from the Government to adhere to.

Do think twice before you click on links in unexpected E mails, posts or texts, or open E mail attachments? Or before you reveal your confidential details to a total stranger who's calling claiming to be from your bank, your credit card company or the police? If not you could become easy prey for a fraudster. They get you on the hook, reel you in and, before you know it, you've given away your PINs, and passwords.....everything they need to steal your hard earned money, never to be seen again. Millions of people in the UK get defrauded in this way every year. **For your information, none of the above would make contact with you by these methods requesting that type of information from you.**

Remember, if you have been a victim of banking fraud, or spot irregular activity on your account, contact your bank straight away. It is important to report any fraud to Action Fraud by calling 0300 123 20 40 or at www.actionfraud.police.uk

Also report fraud to any website or ISP where you've been defrauded. This applies however large or small the amount: it could protect others, and the proceeds of fraud are often used to fund terrorism and human trafficking.

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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.

When ringing 101 the first item which is asked is which Police force you require. This is because 101 is the non-urgent number for all Police forces throughout the country and the signal is picked up from where you are ringing from. In rural East Bassetlaw many parishes are located close to county boundaries, hence the first question. Then, you are asked if you know the person or extension number of the department you require. At this stage, just hold the line. After this, there are a number of options available. For reporting an incident or crime the option is option 7 – there is no need to listen to all the alternatives before selecting this option number.

Thanks again for all your interest and support. Please continue to follow the Government instructions and guidelines.

**Keep safe and best regards.
PCSO 8139 Dave Airey.**