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Pocklington Provincial Update for December2015

1. Priority

Issue: Pocklington Town Centre area (Evenings):

Throughout December, we are to continue our High Visibility patrols of the Pocklington Town Centre area to deter potential anti-social behaviour. These patrols include regular checks on peripheral areas at Pocklington Infants' School, Maxwell Road (periodic reports of criminal damage and youths causing annoyance), All Saints Church (periodic reports of anti-social behaviour on an evening) and town car parks (reports of low level anti-social behaviour). Criminal offenders will be challenged robustly, arrested or reported for summons. Penalty Notices for Disorder or warning letters may be used in appropriate cases however, those who offend should expect to be arrested and dealt with if their anti social behaviour amounts to criminal offending. The exercise of discretion should not be expected.

2 **Priority**

Issue: Youths causing annoyance with Vehicles, Stamford Bridge (Evenings):

Officers will continue patrols in Stamford Bridge and the Viking Road car park. Anyone caught engaging in anti-social behaviour will be dealt with under the FAIRWAY process jointly with East Riding of Yorkshire Council. It is unlikely that any discretion will be shown. Also drivers using their cars to cause alarm or distress will be considered for warnings and possible seizure of their vehicles under Section 59 of the Police Reform Act.

2. Priority

Issue: Youths Causing Annoyance (Evenings):

Officers will continue patrols in the areas of Scaife Garth and Sherbuttgate due to reports of low level anti-social behaviour. Anyone caught engaging in such activities will be dealt with jointly with the East Riding of Yorkshire Council.

3. Meetings/Patrols

Police "Drop In Surgery" at Lob Lane Sheltered Housing Coffee Morning, Stamford Bridge:

PCSO Gareth Ludlow will be at the above location to discuss community issues and offer crime prevention advice between 09:00 to 11:30 hours on the 4th December.

Street Patrol in Sutton on Derwent

PCSO Gareth Ludlow will be patrolling around Sutton on Derwent from 10:00am to 11:00am on the 5th December.

Street Patrol in Wilberfoss

PCSO Gareth Ludlow will be patrolling around Wilberfoss on the 5th December from 13:00 to 14:00.

Street Patrol in Barmby Moor

PCSO Gareth Ludlow will be patrolling around Barmby Moor from 10:00m to 11:00am on the 12th December.

4. Crimes in your area

• There was an attempted break in of a property in Strother Close, Pocklington, the suspects were disturbed and fled.



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- Entry was gained in a property in Maxwell Road, Pocklington and items stolen.
- A purse was dropped in a car park in Stamford Bridge and was later found discarded on a road with the bank cards missing.
- A car parked on the roadside in Pocklington has been scratched by a sharp object
- A car parked in Francis Scaife car park was broken into.
- A shop window in Pocklington has been damaged.
- A secure van parked in a pub car park in Stamford Bridge was broken into and various items stolen.
- A purse was stolen from a handbag in Pocklington.
- Access was gained into a secure property on Albright Close, Pocklington and items stolen.
- Access was gained into a property on the Main Street in Wilberfoss, items were taken but its believed that the dog barking disturbed the suspects who fled leaving a purse and cash outside. A secure detached garage at the same property was also broken into and a power washer and tools were taken.

5. News and Appeals

Keep your presents off the burglars list this Christmas.

Well it's that time of year again, the trees are going up, the Christmas lights are being turned on, those Christmas decorations that have been on display in most of our larger shops since the end of August now look relevant, and the same festive adverts are on the TV again and again.

Yes, Christmas is here and with it, the excitement and the frantic rushing around have begun in earnest. It's a time when everything goes up a gear. We're in a hurry; we need to do loads of things; we have so much to plan. But, if we're not careful, whilst doing all of these things, we can become careless and lose sight of those simple crime prevention measures that we practice all year.

Just as Christmas is a busy time for everyone, it can equally be a time of plenty for the opportunist thief if we let them take advantage of our rushing around. Follow these simple steps to avoid becoming a target for crime and have a crime free Christmas and New Year.

- When shopping be mindful of your bags and whats inside them, try and use a bag that has a zip fastener and ensure that your purse/wallet and mobile phone are out of sight and out of easy reach of pick pockets.
- Don't leave any shopping bags or other items on view in your car, always ensure that they are out of view by placing them in the car boot.
- Always try and park in a well lit car park or street and check that your car is secure!
- Consider your home security too don't leave the curtains open and all your presents and Christmas tree on display
 whilst you're out. Leave a radio on, use timer lights to ensure that it looks like that someone is at home and ensure
 your house is secure by making sure that your garage door, house doors and windows are all locked.



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Don't give a thief an early Christmas present at your expense!