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Pocklington Provincial Update for January 2016

1. Priority

Issue: Pocklington Town Centre area (Evenings):

Throughout January, 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

Street Patrol in Wilberfoss

PCSO Gareth Ludlow will be patrolling around Wilberfoss on the following dates: 17th January (10:00 to 11:00) and the 14th February (from 13:00 to 14:00).

Street Patrol in Sutton on Derwent

PCSO Gareth Ludlow will be patrolling around Sutton on Derwent on the following dates: 17th January (13:00 to 14:00) and the 14th February (10:00 to 11:00).

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 5^{th} February.

4. Crimes in your area

- An electric fence battery unit was stolen from a field at Barmby Moor.
- Several promotional banners were stolen from railings near to Sainsburys.
- A brick was thrown through a window of a property in Pocklington smashing the pane of glass.



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- A car parked on Kirkland Street, Pocklington was damaged as a result of youths climbing on its bonnet and roof.
- A car boot of a vehicle parked on Kirkland Street was damaged by unknown person/s kicking it.
- A car parked in the Francis Scaife car park was broken into and items from the foot well were stolen.
- There was an attempted robbery on Canal Lane, Pocklington. Two male suspects demanded that the victim hand over his dog but the owner refused and after a short scuffle the suspects fled the scene.
- A purse was stolen from an open handbag at a local garden centre.
- A tumble dryer was stolen from a front garden in Pocklington.

5. News and Appeal

SCAMS

Please remain wary of any unexpected emails, texts or phone calls from organisations asking you to make contact regarding scams and compensation payments. These emails often ask for your personal details and bank information and are designed to steal your personal information (some may ask for an up-front fee in return for advancing your compensation). Don't reply to the email /text and never pay any upfront fees if asked.

Any emails offering compensation, asking for a fee, or for personal information that comes from a government department or an agency or known organisations eg Microsoft or Apple may be a scam and should either be ignored or treated with great caution. It is a common tactic of scammers to use the names of big brands or official government departments to dupe consumers into thinking they work for them or that they represent authority. They also often use news reports about past cases to con victims into thinking that compensation is available.

If you have any concerns then you should only make contact with your provider directly – do not reply to the email/text and again if it's a phone call, inform the caller that you will ring back at a later date – do not ring back immediately and not on a contact number that they have given you either.

Lastly there have been several reports from the public receiving letters mainly from China (often with a UK postmark) informing them that a deceased relative or someone in China with the same name has left several million pounds in an account, that they are looking for help in ensuring that the money is sent to the person in the UK and that they will take a percentage in return for sorting out the paperwork etc. The letter which is often grammatically incorrect asks for you to treat the request as confidential and to contact them with your bank details etc and this is a SCAM too.

To report a fraud, call Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 or log on to the Action Fraud Website for further information.



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