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Pocklington Provincial Update for October 2015

1. Priority

Issue: Pocklington Town Centre area (Evenings):

Throughout October, 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

You are invited to attend any of the below meetings:

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 Friday 2^{nd} October and the 4^{th} December.

Street Patrol in Wilberfoss

PCSO Gareth Ludlow will be patrolling around Wilberfoss on the 7th November from 12noon to 13:00.

Street Patrol in Sutton on Derwent

PCSO Gareth Ludlow will be patrolling around Sutton on Derwent from 10am to 11am on the 7th November.

Street Patrol in Barmby Moor

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



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4. Crimes in your area

- Entry was gained into a building site and 8 pallets of concrete paving stones were pushed over causing approx. £800 in damage.
- In Pocklington 190 vehicles had their car tyres punctured by a sharp instrument, a suspect has since been arrested and charged.
- A hanging basket was stolen from a shop on The Pavement area of Pocklington.
- A hedge trimmer and a strimmer were stolen from a secure garage at a property near Pocklington.
- A mountain bike that was left secure at the cycle rack opposite Judsons in Pocklington had its rear tyre damaged.
- A brick was thrown at a window of a property in Pocklington, causing two panes to smash.
- A black Scotts mountain bike with red writing has been stolen from a business in Pocklington.
- A business sign was stolen from the front of a Bed and Breakfast establishment just outside Pocklington.

5. News and Appeals

Check Your Car Is Ready For The Winter Weather

Now that the dark nights are upon us again, the regular appearance of vehicles with one only headlight working shows up how many people aren't considering a few simple checks before setting out on journeys.

Bulbs blow on vehicles; it's happened to all of us, but we do need to consider our safety when out on the roads, particularly at this time of year in the rural areas. And it's not just headlamps that can catch us out. The cold and dirt of a winter's day can put us at risk.

So here are a few suggestions that should help:

- Make sure you check your lights before you set out. You might even consider carrying a spare light bulb or two.
- Make sure your window washer is full of water and screen wash. To run out of water in the dark on muddy roads is not a safe or pleasant experience.
- Check the tyres. Have they got a decent amount of tread on them and are they at the correct pressure? If in doubt, get them checked!
- Think about what you might need if you break down in the cold. Is there a blanket in the car?
- Consider having a mobile phone with you "just in case".
- Always keep a good torch in your vehicle.



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- Have you some decent de-icer and a window scraper on board? If not, get some.
- Is there anti freeze in your radiator?
- Have you made sure that your headlamps are clean? It's amazing how much light is lost if they're covered in dirt, particularly on unlit roads.
- Are your registration plates clean?
- Do you drive with your fog lights or spotlights on when it's not foggy? Well don't, it is an offence and it is very distracting to other drivers.
- If your car is iced up, make sure that the windows and windscreen are fully clear before beginning to drive. It's very dangerous (and an offence) to try driving with a peep hole in your windscreen!

These are only a few simple ideas, but they will make the difference between being safe on our roads at night and putting yourself, your passengers and other road users at risk.