

# Parish/Town News Release

## **Wolds Weighton Update for July 2016**

## 1. Priority

**Issue:** Market Weighton Town Centre area (Evenings):

Throughout July, we are to continue our High Visibility patrols of the Market Weighton Town Centre area to deter potential anti-social behaviour. These patrols include regular checks on the High Street and peripheral areas of Londesborough Road Car Park, Scotts Croft Memorial Park, the town council building area and the area surrounding the Giant Bradley statue (periodic reports of youths causing annoyance). 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 (Evenings):

Officers will continue patrols in the areas of Aspen Close, the park, the monkey run & football field due to regular 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 the Village Hall, Shiptonthorpe

PCSO Terry Cundiff will be available at the above location to discuss community issues and offer crime prevention advice between 10:30 to 11:30 hours on the following dates: 25<sup>th</sup> August, 29<sup>th</sup> September and 3<sup>rd</sup> November.

#### Police "Drop In Surgery" at Market Weighton Library:

PCSO Terry Cundiff will be available at the above location to discuss community issues and offer crime prevention advice between 12:00 to 13:30 hours on the following dates: Wed 20<sup>th</sup> July, Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> Aug, Thurs 29<sup>th</sup> Sept and Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> November.

#### Police "Drop In Surgery" at Wetwang Village Hall Coffee Morning:

PCSO Laura Hudson will be available at the above location to discuss community issues and offer crime prevention advice between 10:30 to 12:00 hours on the following dates: 26<sup>th</sup> July and 6<sup>th</sup> September.

#### Police "Drop In Surgery" at Market Weighton Methodist Church Coffee Morning:

PCSO Laura Hudson will be available at the above location to discuss community issues and offer crime prevention advice between 11:00 to 12:00 hours on the following dates: 3<sup>rd</sup> August and 7<sup>th</sup> September.

## 4. Crimes in your area

- A large pot full of plants was stolen from outside a property in Bishop Wilton.
- An insecure and unattended child's bicycle was stolen in Market Weighton.
- A secure van parked outside a house in Londesborough was broken into and tools stolen.
- Entry was gained into a property in Market Weighton and the contents of a purse and other items stolen
- Damage was caused to two window panes at a property in North Dalton.



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### 5. News and Appeals

### **Sneak Thieves**

Now that summer is here again, we all want to relax and enjoy the warmer weather, however we still need to think about home security to prevent ourselves from becoming victims of crime.

So what do you need to consider?

You need to ensure that your home is always secure when you go out and that you don't leave potential entry points open and accessible, for example a downstairs window or a door. This also applies at night especially when it's a warm muggy evening and you are thinking about leaving a downstairs window open for ventilation whilst you are asleep.

You may be out working in the garden and out of sight of the windows or doors that you have left open. You could even be cutting the grass or hedge perhaps with a loud lawn mower/hedge cutter or be using power tools and it could be so easy in these circumstances for a sneak thief to take advantage of the situation, go inside your home and steal things, for example keys, handbags, wallets, laptops etc that are often on display or easily accessible.

The same applies with garages. We often leave the doors wide open and go off into the garden leaving everything in them on display. How easy is it then for someone to take advantage of this situation and steal bikes, power tools or garden equipment!

Lastly there's your vehicles to consider: On a warm day, there might be a temptation to leave your car parked on the drive with its windows open to allow fresh air to circulate, along with items ,eg a sat nav, coat or shopping bags on clear view that you just haven't managed to bring in doors yet!. These items can all be stolen very quickly, but the worst case scenario is that your car could be stolen too.

The kinds of thefts described are committed by opportunists who could be wandering around your neighbourhood looking to take advantage of people who leave their property insecure so think security at all times and don't become a victim of crime!