

Parish/Town News Release

Wolds Weighton Update for November 2015

1. Priority

Issue: Market Weighton Town Centre area (Evenings):

Throughout November, 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 and Scotts Croft Memorial Park (periodic reports of criminal damage and 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.

Meetings

You are invited to attend any of the below meetings:

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: 10^{th} November and the 15^{th} December.

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: 11^{th} November and the 16^{th} December.

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 12:30 to 14:00 hours on the following dates: 12th November, 10th December and the 14th January.

Police "Drop In" Surgery at the Methodist Church, Town Street, 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: 12th November, 10th December and the 14th January.

4. Crimes in your area

• A secure van was broken into and various tools and a camera were stolen.



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- A car parked on a driveway in Market Weighton had its tyres damaged.
- A car had all of its tyres slashed and both wing mirrors smashed.
- Entry was gained into a secure property in Everingham and items were stolen

5. News and Appeals

GOING SHOPPING? GOING OUT?

Don't give opportunist thieves the chance to bag your belongings! Crowds, music, noise and aching feet can all make shopping quite stressful but make sure you stay alert at all times. You might be rushing to get it all done, chatting with a friend you've just bumped into or queuing at the cash desk, opportunist thieves are always after small items like mobile phones and purses, so keep them close and keep them secure.

DON'T LEAVE YOUR HANDBAG UNATTENDED in shopping baskets or trolleys, pushchairs or mobility scooters. In cafes and restaurants keep bags on your lap, between your feet or place the strap around a chair leg. Don't hang your bag on the back of your chair where you can't keep an eye on it.

DON'T LEAVE YOUR MOBILE PHONE ON THE TABLE. Mobile phones are frequently targeted by thieves and easily swiped when your back is turned even just for a minute.

While walking about **KEEP HANDBAGS CLOSE TO YOUR BODY**, and closed at all times. Choose a bag that can be zipped. Your purse and phone should be well hidden and tucked away out of sight, and out of easy reach of pickpockets. Be particularly careful on public transport, keep your bag where you can see it. If you carry a rucksack, wear it on your front rather than on your back or over your shoulder.

In public toilets, **DON'T PLACE YOUR BAG ON THE FLOOR** as it could be snatched from the outside. If there is one, use the hook on the back of the door instead.

KEEP THE AMOUNT OF VALUABLES INSIDE HANDBAGS TO AN ABSOLUTE MINIMUM and do not carry large amounts of cash.

BE MINDFUL OF DISTRACTIONS, thieves working in pairs may try to divert your attention in order to steal your handbag. Avoid carrying too much around with you, the more bags you've got the more vulnerable you are. If you need to take shopping back to your car, put bags in the boot – don't leave them where they can be seen.

This advice also applies if you are going out on an evening too. Don't ever leave your handbag/wallet unattended on a table or a seat even if you are just nipping to the bar to quickly buy a drink, speak to someone or going for a dance etc as it only takes seconds for your belongings to disappear! Keep them with you at all times!