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Loughborough East Newsletter

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Priorities and what we have done #yousaidwedid

Priority: Local Police are aiming to reduce burglaries around the Loughborough East beat.

Action taken: As a beat team, we are prioritising the reduction of burglaries across our area. We recognise the significant harm that burglary causes—not just in terms of property loss, but also the emotional and psychological impact it has on victims and the wider community. Burglary can leave individuals feeling unsafe in their own homes, disrupt their daily lives, and erode trust within neighbourhoods. Communities affected by repeated incidents often experience increased fear and reduced cohesion, which can have long-term consequences for wellbeing and resilience.

We also know that burglary rates tend to rise during the winter months. Longer hours of darkness provide more opportunities for offenders, and homes may be left unoccupied more frequently as people travel or attend seasonal events. That's why we're taking proactive steps now to prevent offences before they occur. Our approach will include—increased patrols in hotspot areas, targeted crime prevention advice to residents, working closely with partners and communities to identify and disrupt offenders. We encourage everyone to remain vigilant, report suspicious activity, and take simple steps to secure their homes—such as using timer switches for lights, locking doors and windows, and keeping valuables out of sight.

Update: Figures for January show that there has been no increase or decrease in the amount of burglaries on the beat. There is a trend usually over the winter months and the beat team are working hard to address this. Burglaries will remain a priority for the beat team into the start of 2026.

Priority: Police aim to tackle different elements of vehicles crime such as theft, TWOC and ASB caused by vehicles.

Action taken: Police aim to tackle vehicle crime by the use of dedicated patrols, both overt and covert in effort to reduce crime use of ASB with vehicles, disruption tactics on a wider scale using specialist officers. Theft and associated offences will be targeted by pursuing reasonable lines of enquiry to assist identify and prosecute offenders in a timely manner.

Community engagement continues within the Beat and a specific Police operation is in place to tackle vehicle crime in the area. Dedicated patrols remain ongoing, at times with support from our specialist colleagues (traffic and dog handling) to specifically target the areas of concern around vehicle crime. These will be published on our Facebook page to update the public that these take place.

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Update: At the time of writing, the last 28 days figures for Theft from Motor Vehicles and Theft of Motor Vehicles show an increase in incidents. This continues to be a priority for the beat team and work will be ongoing to reduce these offences further going into 2026, with the beat team and the NPA considering operations to tackle these sorts of crime.

Priority: Police are developing and targeting people within the area that are drug dealing, exploiting vulnerable people by cuckooing addresses and causing anti-social behaviour from this type of crime.

Action taken: Drug dealing has a significant and harmful impact on local communities. It often leads to an increase in crime and anti-social behaviour, including violence, theft, and intimidation. Vulnerable individuals—such as those with mental health issues or addiction—are frequently exploited, with criminals taking over their homes (known as cuckooing) or grooming young people into drug networks like county lines. This exploitation not only endangers the individuals involved but also undermines community safety and cohesion.

The presence of drug activity can create fear among residents, reduce the quality of life, and strain public services such as policing, healthcare, and social care. Public spaces may become unsafe or unwelcoming, and the overall sense of community pride and wellbeing can deteriorate. Tackling these issues requires a coordinated approach involving intelligence gathering, safeguarding, enforcement, and strong community partnerships.

Update: The beat team continue to conduct work to disrupt county lines, working on future closure orders for other addresses and visiting those for compliance checks that already have closure orders in place. Loughborough East currently has 3 full closure orders in place at the time of writing for addresses that are causing the most harm - with a further couple in the pipeline. The beat team also have conducted warrants with successful results and are working towards further warrants in order to disrupt, catch and convict those involved in county line drug dealing. The beat team continue to work hard to manage any current threats and identify any developing threats. We work closely with our partner agencies to ensure a collaborative approach to reducing this type of crime.

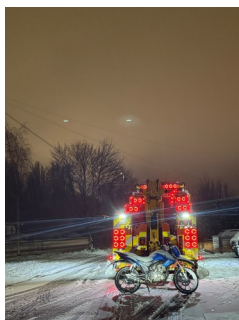
On **Sunday 4th January**, **PCSO 6185** spotted a vehicle being driven by two known males who do not hold a driving license. The vehicle was displaying incorrect registration plates and, as a result, had no valid insurance. The vehicle was recovered.

On **Friday 9th January**, **PCSO 6185** responded to a report from a member of the public regarding a stolen motorbike which was successfully recovered and secured just before the heavy snowfall began. We thank the community for staying vigilant and reporting suspicious activity-your information makes a real difference.

On **Saturday 10th January**, **PC 1343**, **PC 1408** and **PCSO 6053** were busy getting their steps in on the beat. They conducted foot patrols around: The Bell Foundry Estate, Steeple Row & All Saints Church, Waterside Close and along the canal path, Pevensey Road flats and the Warwick Way estate.

On **Monday 12th January**, **PCSO 6053** spotted a vehicle being driven along Freehold Street in Loughborough with no insurance. The vehicle shortly parked up, giving PCSO's the opportunity to use their new Road Traffic Act powers. The vehicle was seized under Section 165A of the Road Traffic Act for no insurance and the driver was issued a Traffic Offence Report.

On **Wednesday 21st January**, **PCSO 6185** held a beat surgery at Fearon Hall during The Hello Help Hub where she spoke with residents about issues they are facing. A couple of key issues were raised: Persistent smell of cannabis coming from a neighbouring address. We discussed how residents can continue to report these incidents, and we will ensure the information is passed on for further attention. Concerns about a potential illegal mechanic business operating from a residential property. Residents were advised to report this directly to the local council, as they are the appropriate authority to investigate and take action regarding unlicensed business activity and associated noise or nuisance concerns.



Upcoming Beat Surgeries

-  18:00PM-19:00PM, Friday 13th February 2026
-  Fearon Hall, Rectory Road, LE11 1PL
-  10:00AM-11:00AM, Thursday 19th February 2026
-  Marios Tinneti Centre, 91 Russell Street, LE11 1BJ
-  11:00AM-12:00PM, Sunday 22nd February 2026
-  Willowbrook Retail Park, LE11 5HG
-  18:00PM-19:00PM, Monday 23rd February 2026
-  Altogether Place, 72 Warwick Way, LE11 4UG

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