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Greater Hinckley Newsletter

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Your Dedicated Neighbourhood Team (DNT) is a group of local Officers dedicated to serving your community. The team is made up of Officers based in your area and supported by the wider Policing family.

In addition to the team we also have PC 97 Bond

Your priorities are chosen quarterly and are based upon information gathered through NHL (Neighbourhood Link), social media, local engagement, and emerging crime trends. You have stated that the following key themes are

You Said	We did
Motorbikes and quad bikes are being used in an anti-social manner around the green areas at Wykin Park	No reports of motorcycles or bicycles being ridden in an anti-social manner on The Green or within the Wykin Park area. High-visibility patrols have been conducted on most days at varying times to monitor the location and deter any potential ASB. During these patrols, no issues were identified, and no motorcycles or bicycles were observed being used in a manner causing nuisance, alarm, or distress
Vehicles are being parked dangerously and in a way that is causing an obstruction outside of Westfield School and also The Hinckley Academy.	Reports of vehicles parking inconsiderately on pavements and double yellow lines during school pick -up times, causing obstruction to pedestrians and other road users. High-visibility patrols conducted during peak school times, with drivers spoken to and advised regarding safe and considerate parking. Patrols will continue to provide reassurance and deter further offending.
Youths are causing anti-social behaviour on Richmond Park which involves drinking and youth congregating.	Patrols conducted in the area with particular attention paid to locations where anti-social behaviour and underage drinking have previously been reported.

News

Earlier this week, a Fraud and Vulnerability Officer visited Ashby Court Residential Care Home in Hinckley to deliver an engaging presentation on how to spot the signs of fraud and protect against scams. Residents were given practical advice on the different methods used by fraudsters, how to recognise warning signs, and the steps they can take to safeguard themselves and their personal information. Thank you to the staff and residents at Ashby Court for their warm welcome.

From 17 October, Leicestershire Police safety camera vans will be carrying out seatbelt monitoring as part of a pilot road safety project. Failing to wear a seatbelt is one of the Fatal Five behaviours most likely to result in death or serious injury. During the pilot, motorists found not wearing a seatbelt will receive a warning letter explaining the dangers. A seatbelt is your best protection in a collision. Make sure everyone in the vehicle is buckled up before every journey.

We've received reports of suspicious activity in and around Hinckley during the early hours of the morning, including CCTV footage showing unidentified individuals checking parked vehicles and trying door handles in residential streets. In addition the vehicles, often in convoy, driving around targeted locations. There have also been reports of car key break-ins and concerns around keyless vehicle thefts. Opportunist offenders are often looking for unlocked vehicles, valuables left inside, or attempting to target vehicles fitted with keyless entry systems. Criminals may use electronic devices to capture or relay the signal from your key fob inside your home to your vehicle outside. This can trick the vehicle into thinking the key is present, allowing access and, in some cases, enabling the vehicle to be driven away. Store keyless car keys in a signal-blocking pouch (Faraday pouch) or metal container when not in use.

We have seen a concerning rise in couriers fraud offending over recent weeks. Despite previous methods to raise awareness within our communities we are continuing to see similar offending continue across the force. If you have elderly relatives or friends, please look at the information on the following pages in relation to Operation Blue Mountain and spread the word.

NEIGHBOURHOOD LINK:

Neighbourhood Link is a community messaging service from Leicestershire Police that provides news and information about policing activity or initiatives, crime prevention advice as well as major incidents affecting your area. In order to receive messages, you will need to register your details. Registration is free and simple to follow. Sign up at: https://www.neighbourhoodlink.co.uk

Please also take the time to let the Beat understand your concerns by completing the survey to the right. Simply scan your camera over the top and click.

Community engagements

Leics.police.uk/local-policing/

HinckleyPolice

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Events

Meet your local beat team members at

St Johns, Hinckley

6th November 10.30-1300

Morrisons, Normandy Way, Hinckley

12th November 10-1230

OP BLUE MOUNTAIN

East Midlands Special Operations Unit

Operation Blue Mountain aims to tackle courier fraud. This type of fraud targets elderly and vulnerable victims.

How does it happen?

- The victim receives a phone call from a person purporting to be a police officer informing them that there has been fraudulent activity on their bank account. They are instructed to withdraw their savings and hand it over to the bogus police officer for examination. This is a scam.
- The victim may also be informed that bank staff are involved.
- They are told to go to the bank to withdraw their money and may be told to give a false reason for withdrawing their money if questioned at the bank. This journey may be made in their own vehicle or a taxi.
- The victim leaves the bank with their money, sometimes their life savings, and goes back to their home where they are met by a 'courier' (criminal) who collects the money.
- The courier may have arranged to travel in a taxi to meet the elderly victims or the taxi company may have been instructed by criminals to collect a package from a local address.

How can you assist?

- Drivers/taxi companies are asked to be vigilant when asked to take anyone who may be a potential courier to or from rail stations or on any other journey. When asked to collect packages from elderly persons on behalf of unidentified customers.
- If a suspected courier is collected as a passenger, taxi drivers should call the police on '**999**' and quote '**BLUE MOUNTAIN**', providing their taxi registration number, location and destination. The control room of the local force will immediately recognise this as a courier fraud and deploy the appropriate resource and response.
- Taxi drivers are also asked to raise awareness amongst their everyday elderly passengers and to also consider unusual repeat fares to local banks. Should such fares be identified, taxi drivers are again requested to contact police.