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Welcome to your Rutland Rural South police e-newsletter.



What matters to you

We have listened to you and the concerns that have been raised through surveys, community consultations, and ongoing crime pattern analysis. With this in mind we have made the following our priorities that our efforts will be focused on this quarter:

Road Safety:

You said: Speeding vehicles on Rutland roads is a priority you want us to address across the county, but in particular the A47 corridor and its tributaries.

What we are going to do: As before we will provide frequent overt policing to the affected areas with marked vehicle patrols, and through the use of handheld speed monitoring guns. We will also continue work with our partners in road safety in order to highlight areas of concern and request deployment of resources, and continue education and information about responsible use of the roads via our social media channels.

Anti Social Behaviour:

You said: Specific issues of ASB concerning individuals in the community, 'nuisance neighbours' and irresponsible dog ownership/walking is an area you want us to focus on.

What we are going to do: Working with our partners we will support investigations into people causing harm in our communities, and take the lead where overt criminality is involved. Through our social media channels we will continue to promote avenues to reporting issues to the most appropriate agency.

Vehicle Crime:

You said: The issue of theft of and from vehicles, and vehicles being used to commit other offences has been highlighted as a priority you want us to work on.

What we are going to do: Overt patrols of affected areas will continue, along with robust policing of suspected offenders and persons of note in line with our intelligence picture of the problem. We will continue to promote proactive ways to keep property

What we have done #yousaidwedid

Happy new year South Rutland.

An extremely busy month for your neighbourhood team, managing our competing demands is never straightforward and more often than any of us would like, we have been covering shortfalls in staffing across various departments, all whilst trying to manage our own caseloads, working with partners and fulfilling our engagement commitments.

As you will read we have had a real spike in commercial burglary and theft, with plant equipment and high value items being stolen. We have been working hard supporting these investigations along with the dedicated Rural Crime Team, and providing overt patrols across affected areas as much as possible.

We are a very small team though, and cannot be everywhere, so we would encourage you to look at our long published security advice and consider if your property and your belongings are as difficult to tamper with or take as they could be.

Away from crime prevention, we say goodbye to PC Jake Spruce on the North Rutland beat who is moving on from the Police Service for pastures new, and welcome PC Holly Bland as his replacement. Holly is a highly accomplished and very experienced officer, and a real asset to the Rutland Team.



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Neighbourhood Link

We continue to encourage local residents to have their say through Neighbourhood Link surveys, our aim is to keep all residents that have signed up to this aware of issues happening in Rutland.

Our policing priorities are set every quarter following returns of Neighbourhood Link surveys, along with crime pattern analysis data and issues highlighted by our professional partners.

The more results we have from surveys, the better informed we are as to where to target resources.

Neighbourhood Link Community Messaging Service

Receive the latest news,
updates and events information
direct from the police



Leicestershire
Police
Neighbourhood Link



Benefits of signing up:

- Keep updated about police activity in your local area
- A trusted source of the latest crime reduction tips and advice
- Share your views and have your say through our surveys
- Choose to receive updates from partner organisations like Action Fraud

Remember:

- It's fast to register, and free to use
- It's a secure system. We'll never share your details without your consent
- You can unsubscribe at any time
- If you're already signed up, get local family and friends involved

Sign up at www.neighbourhoodlink.co.uk



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Noteworthy crimes

VEHICLE CRIME

Lyddington: Theft of car doors
Glaston: Theft of car parts
Empingham: Theft of numberplates
Lyddington: Theft from motor vehicle
Seaton: Theft of motor vehicle
North Luffenham: Theft from motor vehicle x3

BURGLARY

Ketton: Dwelling burglary (shed/garage/outhouse)
Wing: Commercial burglary
Glaston: Dwelling burglary (shed/garage/outhouse)
Seaton: Dwelling burglary (car key)
North Luffenham: Dwelling burglary (shed/garage/outhouse)
North Luffenham: Commercial burglary x2
Normanton: Commercial burglary x2

THEFT

Belton in Rutland: Theft of trailer x2
North Luffenham: Theft of fuel
Morcott: Theft of fuel (bilkling)

Crime trends and Prevention advice

Crime is up significantly this month as the winter is still firmly in control. It is often dark, and visibility is low, and our isolation in South Rutland makes for relatively easy targets for criminals.

If you keep vehicles and trailers on commercial or rural sites, PLEASE try and park where they could not be reasonably or quickly removed. The more obstacles in the way, the less attractive your equipment is. It is a bind to do this every time you finish your working day, but we have seen the alternative and stolen equipment leads to lost days on sites/farms/infrastructure.

Give consideration to floodlights and particularly CCTV systems to deter criminality especially at large commercial concerns and building and renovation sites of which there are many in South Rutland currently- thieves don't like to be seen at work, anything that exposes or helps to identify them is worth the extra effort.

At home, always consider where your keys are kept in the house. Most criminals entering properties for keys will look in the obvious places in hallways and kitchens etc, so think about keeping your keys in the more ambiguous areas.

Rutland is an inherently safe county, but we *still* see instances of people leaving their cars unlocked, and in some cases the keys left inside. These are golden opportunities for thieves. Please lock your cars, no matter where you leave them, and for any amount of time.

Our villages whilst beautiful, are VERY dark at night so please remain vigilant. Ensure your doors and windows are always locked and leave lights on if you go out. Consider PIR floodlights for garage entrances and driveways where possible.

So many of our offences are avoidable if steps are taken to protect property and belongings. Complacency really is the enemy of crime prevention here.





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Dates for your diary

BEAT ENGAGEMENTS:

Thursday 12/02:

Edith Weston Village Store 10-11

Friday 13/02:

Ketton Parish Council 11-12



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