



Your Local Team



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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, supported by the wider Policing family.

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 important to you. #YouSaidWeDid

You Said	We did
Anti-social behaviour in open spaces around the town including Argents Mead, the Leisure Centre, and Castle Street.	Patrols conducted in the area with continued high-visibility presence. Engagement carried out with members of the public where appropriate. No incidents, concerns, or anti-social behaviour identified during patrols.
Shoplifting is a persistent problem in the town centre. Having had a successful last quarter in tackling this issue, we are seeing an emerging trend of offenders using the rail network to travel to Hinckley and commit shoplifting offences.	Patrols conducted within the area and engagement carried out where appropriate. High-visibility patrols maintained to provide reassurance and deter crime.
Street drinking is a problem in the town centre, with repeat individuals taking alcohol to Argents Mead and Castle Street, in contravention of the PSPO.	Patrols conducted throughout the area with a focus on locations where street drinking has previously been reported. No incidents of street drinking were observed, and no reports were received during the patrol period. Engagement carried out with members of the public where appropriate, with no concerns raised.

News

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.



PC Emily and PCSO Cam visited the Triumph Factory in Hinckley to attend their fantastic Poppy Appeal event. It was great to see such an impressive display of military vehicles alongside decades' worth of Triumph motorcycles, showcasing both military history and British engineering heritage. The event was very well attended and created a fantastic atmosphere for everyone involved. The event was a great opportunity to see the local community come together in support of the Poppy Appeal. It was great to see so many people getting involved and helping to raise awareness for such an important cause. Thank you to everyone at Triumph for the warm welcome and for hosting such a memorable event

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 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/](http://www.leics.police.uk/local-policing/)



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EVENTS

**Britannia Shopping Centre
19th November 10-12**

**Hinckley Leisure Centre,
Argents Mead
20th November 1600-1800**

**Sainsburys, Rugby Road, Hinckley
26th 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.