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Melton Rural North Beat

April 2026

Monthly newsletter



What matters to you

We have listened to you and the concerns you raised and are prioritising the following.

Priority 1. Road Safety

You said: Speeding vehicles are a concern for you across multiple locations around the beat and issues with weight restrictions being breached.

What we are going to do. Visible traffic calming, speed monitoring enforcement. Monitoring of weight restrictions.

Priority 2. Farming Equipment Thefts and Rural Crime

You said: You are concerned about rural crime across the beat and the theft of farming equipment which has a huge impact on daily farming tasks.

What we are going to do. We will continue patrols in isolated rural areas and visit victims of crime. We will also target those patrols based on current crime trends and intelligence.

Priority 3. Antisocial Behaviour

You Said: You are concerned about Antisocial Behaviour (ASB) This new priority is based on recent incident reviews, ongoing investigations, and your feedback.

What we are going to do. Patrols in areas where repeated ASB has been recorded. Engagement with local children to deter them from any ASB. Where perpetrators can be identified, the incremental approach will be utilised.

April Rural Crime

26*186319 – 01/04 3am-4:30am – Eastwell Road, Knipton – theft of an Ifor Williams trailer & 16 Inch chainsaw, car wheels and tyres.

26*188273 – 02/04 – Belvoir Road, Bottesford – Car key burglary – vehicle recovered. Linked to 2 further attempt burglaries at Cox Drive and Laurel Way the same morning.

26*194191 – 05/04 – Waltham Lane, Long Clawson – theft of a JCB dumper – recovered by Notts Police

26*205115 -10/04 – Penn Lane, Stathern – damage to a gate control box

26*210206 – 11/04-12/04 – Castle View Road, Easthorpe – high value theft of copper cable.

26*212438 – 14/04 – Stathern – Land Rover targeted for parts

26*216287 – 16/04 – 02:00am – Wood Lane, Barkestone Le Vale – Ifor Williams HB511 Horse Box. See picture below



If you have seen this being transported or have any information on its current location please call 101 quoting the crime reference number.

26*222470 – 16/04 - 19:00-08:00 18/04 – Mere Road, Waltham on the Wolds – theft of catalytic converter from vehicle.

26*224916 – 11/04-18/04 – Between Harby and Long Clawson - Criminal damage to electric fence energiser in a field containing ponies

26*234150 – 24/04 – 01:30-03:00 – Manor Road – Easthorpe – commercial burglary to building site targeting electrical goods including ovens and hobs and tools.

26*244118 – 25/04 – 03:00-03:15 – Main Street, Stonesby – criminal damage to vehicle.

If you have any information to assist the crimes listed above please send a reply to the Neighbourhood Link message or call 101 quoting the relevant crime reference number.

Melton Rural North covers 120 square Miles and 39 Villages.

Courier Fraud

A resident in the Melton Rural North area was recently targeted by a courier fraud scam, which was prevented by their bank and reported to police. Offenders posed as a Detective Constable from a London Fraud Squad and a Constable from Nottingham, falsely claiming a local bank was under investigation and urging the victim to withdraw a large sum of money.

Fraudsters may instruct you to keep the situation secret, lie to your bank, or bypass security checks, and could arrange for a courier to collect cash, bank cards, and even your PIN. Always ignore such requests, follow your bank's advice, and report any concerns immediately.

For more information please follow this link: [Courier fraud - Report Fraud](#)

Please inform Friends, Neighbours and Relatives of this type of scam to prevent further victims.

Golden Rule

Your bank or the police will NEVER ask for your PIN, money, or send a courier.

April Road Safety

Reported incidents

02/04 03:40 – The Drift, Wymondham – driver arrested following positive drug wipe after leaving the road into a ditch.

06/04 – Waltham Lane/Clawson Lane junction - Serious Injury RTC (Road Traffic Collision)

06/04 – AOBD (allegation of bad driving) – Stow Hill – car failed to slow when passing cyclist on narrow road – NIP (Notice of intended prosecution) sent

17/04 – 12:45-13:45 – Long Lane/Belvoir Road junction – 2 vehicle Slight Injury RTC

21/04 – 11:55 Eastwell- criminal damage to a vehicle following a traffic incident.

We have had concerns raised about the speed of traffic through villages on the B676 up to Buckminster, marked police vehicle patrols have commenced in the area and will continue, particularly at the weekends. Bottesford: Grantham Road & Surrounding Areas

April Antisocial Behaviour

We have received reports of trespass and criminal damage at the allotments on Grantham Road, including an incident of arson. A wheelbarrow was taken from the allotments and set alight along with a book.

At the local skate park, there have also been incidents of deliberate fire-setting, including a fire lit underneath a ramp and damage to a bench caused by burning.

The Bottesford Garden Association reported criminal damage to a shed window, where a bottle had been thrown, causing damage.

Officers also attended an antisocial behaviour incident on Queen Street following a 999 call. A reassurance visit was carried out at the affected premises, and a successful area search located those involved.

Youth-Related Incidents

- On 16 April, a report was received of a fight involving teenagers at the skate park.

On 22 April, officers responded to a report of an altercation between teenagers at Bottesford Train Station.

At this time, no individuals involved in either incident have come forward.

Additional Reports

We have also received reports of:

- Off-road bikes being used in the Muston area
- Antisocial motorbike riding on Silverwood Road, Bottesford
- Public order incidents in Hose Trespass and criminal damage in Stapleford

Reporting Incidents

If you, or someone you know, has been the victim of a crime or antisocial behaviour, please ensure it is reported. Your information is vital in helping us take action and keep the community safe.

Activity carried out:

23rd April—Foot patrols completed in Bottesford for the end of the school day

25th April 16:00-17:00 Beat Surgery held at the Skate Park in Bottesford

Monday 27th April— late afternoon foot patrols in Bottesford including the Skate Park

Meeting and Events

Harby Beat Surgery by the Village Hall

5:30PM - 6:30PM, Wed 10 June 2026