

REPORTED CRIMES OF INTEREST FOR THE BASSETLAW EAST CLAYWORTH/STURTON BEAT AREA – JUNE 2020.

The Clayworth/ Sturton beat area includes the following villages and hamlets – Drakeholes, Wiseton, Clayworth, Hayton, Clarborough, Welham, Tiln, North Leverton with Habbleshorpe, North Wheatley, South Wheatley, Sturton le Steeple, Bole, West Burton, Littleborough, Coates and Fenton.

The crimes of interest – incidents of burglary, criminal damage and thefts – reported for the beat area between 01/06/2020 and 30/06/2020 were –

Burglary Other – 3 – Clarborough/ North Wheatley x2.

Theft from Motor Vehicle – 1 – Clayworth.

Theft Other – 2 – Coates/ North Wheatley.

Criminal Damage to a Dwelling – 2 – Sturton le Steeple/ North Leverton.

This month there have been eight reported crimes of interest across the whole beat area. This compares with five crimes reported throughout May 2020 and four crimes in the same month last year.

From 01/04/2020, there have been twenty crimes of interest reported across the beat area. This compares with thirteen reported in the same period last year. As such, at the conclusion of the third month in this tracking year, these figures equate to an increase in reported crimes of interest of seven crimes.

Please continue to report crime - and incidents - through to our control room on 101, or 999 as appropriate. Even in these most difficult of times, where possible, reported crimes will be dealt with in the same way as they have always been recorded, and dealt with. Please remain aware of any suspicious persons, vehicles and activity in the area and continue to report such instances through to our control room, as normal.

Nottinghamshire Police recently started using a new system for recording incidents. As from February 2020, the Police report will include anti-social behaviour incidents only, negating other incident types from this category, such as hoax calls to the emergency services, found/ abandoned vehicles and wildlife/animal issues. Again, these figures should, therefore, start to decrease but will be more accurate in relation to actual anti-social behaviour incidents on the area. However, as has been confirmed by the Force, there has been an increase in this type of incident being reported to the control room over recent months. This month there have been seven (to 30/06) reported incidents of anti-social behaviour across the whole beat area. This compares with three reported incidents for May 2020 and three reported for the same month in 2019.

As we edge slowly and closer to the recovery phase of the Coronavirus situation, I would like to take this opportunity of thanking all of you who have heeded the initial advice to stay at home, and the on-going advice since, and in doing so supported the global fight against this dreadful pandemic. Please continue to follow the latest Government advice and stay safe.

Policing the rapidly changing restrictions associated with Covid-19 has been quite challenging. Forces have approached this in slightly different ways with some making greater use of the Fixed Penalty Notices than others. In Nottinghamshire, the focus has been on engaging with people to explain the risks and encouraging them to disperse. Enforcement was very much a last resort. Since the campaign began, and up to the first week in June, Nottinghamshire officers issued a total of 185 tickets, one of the lowest figures in England and Wales.

Nationally, and here in Nottinghamshire, throughout the restrictions, overall crime has gone down. Paddy Tipping, the Police and Crime Commissioner, has confirmed that across the country it has been calculated as being down by around twenty five per cent. In Nottinghamshire, it is slightly higher than that at around thirty per cent.

Nottinghamshire Police have received a number of tip offs recently and this has led to an increase in raids on cannabis farms. In May, the Force has seized plants with a street value of more than three million pounds – an increase of 280% on the same period in 2019. Reduced crime overall had meant the Force had more time to tackle drug offences.

From time to time, I am advised about incidents and crimes being shared on social media which I was not aware of. Might I ask that incidents and crimes of this nature are reported through to our control room, for Police action and recording purposes, in the first instance and then, obviously, share your experiences with who you desire by other methods?

As ever, the beat team will keep an eye out to look after you and your homes. However, please continue to report suspicious persons, vehicles and activity in your local area to allow those officers on duty to attend in real time and to check out on their purpose. As most of you will know, I have a large area to Police and am trying to provide the communities with assistance and reassurance during these unprecedented times and I have been working hard and changing my shifts to try and accommodate this.

My contact number is 07525 226 838 and my E mail address is david.airey@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk PC 3258 Jason Fellows is the beat manager for the area. He has a contact number of 07525 226 893 and an E mail address of Jason.fellows@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk

Please do not use these telephone numbers to report incidents and/ or crimes. Our works numbers should only be used for non-urgent matters – including seeking advice and/ or information.

I continue to receive calls on my works phone from residents wishing to report incidents and crimes. In many cases these calls are received when I am on rest days or annual leave and have not got my works phone to hand. Residents must be comfortable in reporting these occurrences to our control room on 101 in order to receive the best, and real time, service from those officers who are on duty.

When ringing 101 the first item which is asked is which Police force you require. This is because 101 is the non-urgent number for all Police forces throughout the country and the signal is picked up from where you are ringing from. In rural East Bassetlaw many parishes are located close to county boundaries, hence the first question. Then, you are asked if you know the person or extension number of the department you require. At this

stage, just hold the line. After this, there are a number of options available. For reporting an incident or crime the option is option 7 – there is no need to listen to all the alternatives before selecting this option number.

Thanks again for all your interest and support, it is very much appreciated. Keep safe and best regards.

PCSO 8139 Dave Airey.