



Focus on tackling vehicle crime

Vehicle crime of all types continues to be a local priority for us. We have received a number of reports of registration plates being removed from parked vehicles, vehicles being broken into and items removed. Leaving items on display in the car, for example, handbags, jackets, laptops and mobile phones, are an appealing target for thieves. Take them with you, or put them out of view whenever possible.

Car keyless entry fob emits a short range signal, allowing you to open the car without pressing any button on the fob. Criminals have been using special signal amplifiers to gain entry to cars. You can prevent this type of crime happening by putting the keyless fob into a special signal blocker faraday bag. The bag blocks the signal so criminals cannot use this method to enter your car. We have some signal blocker faraday bags for sale at Harborough Police Station for £2 or if you contact your local officers, we can arrange to bring them to the beat surgeries.

Throughout December, we have continued to seize and recover a number of vehicles from the Broughton Astley and Lutterworth areas which were untaxed or uninsured and without an MOT. Your vehicle will be seized if you leave it untaxed and on the road!

A stolen vehicle was also found and recovered by local officers.

During our 'Drink Drive' campaign across the area over the Christmas and New Year period, the local beat team can report only two of the drivers stopped and breathalysed at the road side, were over the legal limit.



Get in touch or come and see us

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Facebook: Lutterworth Police

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Beat surgeries

We are always looking for new venues in the Lutterworth and Broughton Astley area to hold beat surgeries. Please get in touch with your local officers if you can help with this.

Tuesday 14th January (6:00 -7:00pm) Morrison, Bitteswell Rd, Lutterworth

Wednesday 22nd January (10:00—11:00 am) Waitrose, Lower Leicester Rd, Lutterworth.

If you would like to hear what is happening in your area, sign up to Neighbourhood Link via www.neighbourhoodlink.co.uk.

We are always happy to hear from you. Please email easterncountiesnpa@leicestershire.pnn.police.uk

Appeal to find Lottie

On 1 December 2019 a dog was stolen from an address in Peatling Parva. The dog called Lottie, is a very distinctive liver/white Dalmatian. Lottie is an autism support dog and needs kidney medication- her family have been left heartbroken by this incident.

If anyone does have any information, including any CCTV or dashcam footage from the area at the time of the incident, please get in touch so that Lottie can be reunited with her owners.

Anyone with any information should call 101, quoting incident 19000643906.



Courier fraud

Officers investigating a number of incidents of fraud have issued a warning to others. Since October last year the force has received five reports relating to offences commonly known as courier fraud.

Courier fraud occurs when a fraudster contacts victims by telephone claiming to be a police officer or bank official. The caller sounds plausible and may confirm your name and address and basic information, which could be obtained easily. After trust has been gained, the fraudster will claim money has been withdrawn from your account by staff within the bank. They persuade them to go to their local branch and take out a large sum of money from their account. The fraudsters then send someone to collect the money from your home address.

In an incident in November a woman from Market Harborough was contacted by a man who claimed he was a police officer in London. The man stated he was investigating fraud at a major bank. The fraudster persuaded the victim to attend her local branch and a taxi was arranged to take her there. Fortunately the local taxi firm knew the victim and became suspicious. They helped the victim contact police and report the incident.

The police or banks would not contact people in this way. If you get a call like this hang up. If you want to contact your bank to check, wait five minutes as fraudsters can stay on the line even after you have hung up, or use a different line altogether.

#CourierFraud

**Over 1,300
courier fraud
victims in 1 year**

TAKE FIVE
TO STOP FRAUD

Your bank or the police will never:

- Phone and ask you for your full PIN or full banking password
- Ask you to transfer money out of your account
- Send someone to your home to collect cash, PINs, cards or cheque books

ActionFraud
www.actionfraud.org.uk

takefive-stopfraud.org.uk

Harborough Community Safety Partnership

Harborough Community Safety Partnership would like to hear from you about your views on local crime and disorder priorities. Please complete the survey at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/NL7JY7C>. The survey should take a few minutes to complete and it is really important to hear your views.

The survey closes on the 31st January 2020, and a new Community Safety Plan will be published in April 2020.