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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

Hi South Rutland.

There is never a dull month in policing, and February has been no exception. Our focus this month alongside everything else we do has been to focus on our vulnerable areas that have been the subject of higher than expected levels of offences.

To that end we have been patrolling overtly the A47 corridor and the villages in and around the Welland Valley as part of our patrol plan. We have also had an eye on Road Safety in this area, and you will have seen on social media some of things that PC McKinnon and PCSO Beth have been getting up to this month.

As we move into March and (hopefully) the Springtime, you will see us continue our presence as much as possible on the beat, and look into more ways for us to be accessible in person to our communities. PCSO Beth will be carrying out the lions share of our scheduled engagements which are published 3 months in advance on the force website, but if any groups or individuals would like us to be anywhere specific that we don't already attend, then please do get in touch and we will try to accommodate.

PC McKinnon, as a Cadet unit head, can call upon support from Volunteer Police Cadets, and as they move into the social interaction phase of the cadet programme, they can always be utilised for support out this way.



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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 of 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



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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

Tickencote (A1): Theft from Motor Vehicle *OP BARRIC*

Barrowden (A47): Theft of numberplates

Empingham: Theft from Motor Vehicle

BURGLARY

Ketton: Commercial Burglary (attempt)

Belton in Rutland: Dwelling Burglary (attempt)

Preston: Dwelling Burglary

Empingham: Commercial Burglary

THEFT

Woolfox: Theft of personal belongings

Ketton: Theft from a person

Manton: Theft from garden centre

Ketton: Theft of parcel

Crime trends and Prevention advice

Crime is consistent with annual trends, having spiked significantly last month. This is encouraging, but does not mean we can afford to be complacent, so our long published advice still stands:

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 12/03:

North Luffenham 11-12

Saturday 28/03:

Barrowden community shop 11-12



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