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Welcome to your Lutterworth and Broughton Astley police e-newsletter. Here you will find the latest news and crime prevention advice to help keep yourself safe.

## Neighbourhood Priorities– Vehicle Crime

Over the last month there has been an increase in vehicle crime in the area. This includes vehicles and number plates being stolen, vehicles being broken into and property stolen. We are doing all we can to try and find those responsible and have increased our patrols. We also really need your help too and would ask you to be vigilant and report anything suspicious you see.

Just a reminder that free anti-theft fixing packs are available from your local officers, these can provide additional security to your number plate. There are also a quantity of these at the Broughton Astley Parish Council Office.

Having your car broken into and losing your things to thieves can be very distressing. Here are a few simple steps you can take to keep your vehicle, and what's in it, safe:

1. Always lock the car when you leave it
2. Close windows and the sun roof to prevent 'fishing'
3. Take it with you or hide it: mobile phone, coins for the car park, sunglasses, packs of medication or other items that can earn quick cash are irresistible to the opportunist thief.



Remember, the cost of replacing a window is often much more than what's stolen. And it should go without saying that wallets, handbags, purses and credit cards should never be left in an unattended vehicle.

4. Park in well-lit and busier areas.

## Meet PCSO Steve Adams

Hi, for those that don't know or remember me, my name is PCSO Steve Adams.

I have covered the Lutterworth area before and map wise know it pretty well. I am filling the huge gap that Jay and Cas have left, but am looking to continue the great work that they did.

Remember though I am not on my own, I have the pleasure in working with great beat officers and look forward to working with them to deal with any issues across the area.

I will be carrying on with surgeries for the beat but am also looking into better ways of keeping in contact.

I will also be here to get the community signed up to Neighbourhood Link, our email service, along with the Police and Crime Commissioners Office, Action Fraud and others, letting you know what's going on across the area.

Thanks for reading and look forward to seeing you around.



## Mobile Speed Camera Van—May

| Road               | Area             | Summary | Summary  |
|--------------------|------------------|---------|----------|
|                    |                  | Visits  | Offences |
| B581 Broughton Way | Broughton Astley | 1       | 1        |
| Brookfield Way     | Lutterworth      | 2       | 51       |

## Criminal Damage

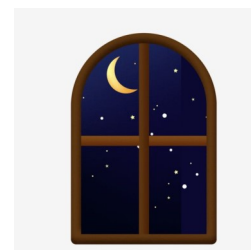
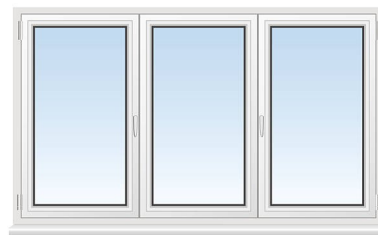
We are currently investigating criminal damage caused to a bus stop in Frolesworth on 28<sup>th</sup> May 2022 between 2:30pm-2:55pm. CCTV shows a group of 4 young men waiting at the bus stop who were seen etching words and offensive drawings on it, the group were then seen getting on the bus. We are working hard with partner agencies and are dedicating resources to find those responsible. However, we need your help too. If anyone has any information, please contact PC Michelle Skingsley via 101 or by email at [Michelle.Skingsley@leics.police.uk](mailto:Michelle.Skingsley@leics.police.uk).

## Be aware in the warmer weather

We are heading into the season where burglaries tend to increase. Warmer temperatures sometimes lead to a relaxed attitude towards home security and thieves are only too willing to take advantage of an open window or door. We therefore urge people to protect their possessions by ensuring their home is secure at all times – particularly windows and doors which are out of sight when relaxing in the garden.

Our summer security tips include:

- If you're out enjoying the garden, make sure your front door is locked and any accessible windows are secure.
- Do not leave valuables in sight of any potential thief e.g. on window-sills
- If you are going out at night, ensure a light is left on or use a timer switch for it to come on
- If you're going away from home, don't advertise that your house is empty by posting information on social media
- Also leave a set of keys with someone you trust so that they can keep an eye on your home.



## Countryside Code

We would like to remind dog-walkers to stick to the pathways in the countryside, we have had an incident recently in the local area where some sheep were injured by dogs. We would also like to refer you to the Countryside Code: [www.gov.uk/countryside-code](http://www.gov.uk/countryside-code). It provides guidelines so that people can enjoy our parks, waterways, coast and countryside whilst respecting everyone, protecting the environment and enjoying the outdoors.

In particular, always keep dogs under control and in sight; bag and bin dog poo in any public waste bin and follow local signs and keep to marked paths unless wider access is available.

## Bike register

PCs Jason Rainbow and Michelle Skingsley teamed up with Harborough District Council in Broughton Astley to encourage people to register their bikes with Bike Register. To find out more, get in touch with [support@bikeregister.com](mailto:support@bikeregister.com) or check out their website.

Remember to always lock your bike even if only away for a few minutes.

