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# Parish/Town News Release

## Howdenshire - Update for March 2022

### 1. Crime and ASB

You can obtain Crime and ASB data for your own area by visiting [www.police.uk](http://www.police.uk), clicking on "whats happening in your area" and entering your postcode.

### 2. Crime issues of particular not

The following list shows some of the crimes that have occurred in the previous month in your area:

- A secure vehicle was stolen from a detached garage of a property in Eastrington.
- Entry was gained into an insecure shed at a property in Newport and a log splitter stolen.

### 3. Community Priorities.

The Neighbourhood Policing Team meets regularly with partners to ensure we have a multi-agency approach to local issues, individuals and problem solving. These meetings are attended by local partners, including Humberside Fire and Rescue Service, Youth and Family Support, Housing Officers, Environmental Health and the East Riding Anti-Social Behaviour Team, among others. We share information and resources to deal with local neighbourhood issues, in particular, those identified as causing the most harm in the community. We also continue to patrol the Howdenshire areas during our shifts.

### 4. Crime Reduction Advice

#### **Protect yourself on social media.**

Many of us use social media every day without giving a second thought to our privacy or our vulnerability to cyber-crime. The following tips aim to keep you safe online.

- Avoid publishing any identifying information about yourself that could be used by scammers - e.g. phone numbers, your address or birthday.
- Make it difficult for potential hackers by using strong passwords with symbols and numbers.
- Review and edit your privacy features on social media sites to ensure that only your friends can access your profile.
- Consider the permanence of online content - don't post anything that may later embarrass you or someone else. (You never know who might be looking at your page - e.g. a prospective employer.)
- Never post comments that are abusive or may cause offence.
- Be on your guard against phishing scams, including fake friend requests and posts from individuals or companies inviting you to visit other pages or sites. If you do get caught up in a scam, make sure you remove any corresponding likes and app permissions from your account.
- Ensure you have effective and updated antivirus/antispyware software and firewall.

Unpleasant comments about people on social media sites aren't dealt with by the police, unless there is a criminal offence involved. Offences may include threats to kill, threats to cause damage, criminal conduct amounting to harassment and comments that incite racial hatred, violence or rioting. If you have been affected by any of these offences, please call Humberside Police on 101 to report it.

Regarding unpleasant or inappropriate posts, you should first contact the social media site on which the comments have been made and ask for assistance. If you think you have been libelled to an extent that you wish to take action, please consult with a solicitor in the first instance.

#### **Protecting your devices.**



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Your mobile is now so much more than a phone - it's your phonebook, internet/email/social media browser, sat nav, camera, photo library, weather forecaster, bank and more. Losing your phone therefore means losing a lot more than your phone! There are various things you can do to protect your phone and other devices:-

- Never leave your phone, iPad, tablet or camera unattended, out of your sight or left on a table – thieves can grab a phone in seconds.
- Retain a record of your phone's IMEI number. This is a 15-digit unique number which can be obtained by keying in \*#06#. You need this information if the phone is lost or stolen (keep a note of it somewhere other than your phone!)
- Use your device's security features, apps or PIN locking mechanisms to protect your data and prevent the phone being used if stolen.
- Consider installing a tracker app on your phone. They're readily available online. And if your mobile's stolen, report it promptly.

## 5. Stay informed

Stay informed through our social media channels, find us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#):

<https://www.humberside.police.uk/teams/howdenshire> Facebook – Humberside Police – East Riding of Yorkshire West

Twitter - Humberside Police – East Riding of Yorkshire West - @Humberbeat\_ERYW.

For incidents that don't require an immediate response call our non-emergency 101 line. You can also report [non-emergency crimes online](#) via our reporting portal. In an emergency always dial 999.