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Howdenshire - Update for April 2022

1. Crime and ASB

You can obtain Crime and ASB data for your own area by visiting 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:

- Secure stables at a property in the Main Road, Gilberdyke were broken into and two ride on lawn mowers, two electric bikes and several other items were stolen.
- Entry was gained into an insecure garden shed at a property in Holme Upon Spalding Moor.
- Entry was gained into several secure outbuildings at a property in North Cave and items stolen. A further secure shed at a second property was also broken into and tools 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

SHED AND GARDEN SECURITY

Lighter nights often means criminals are on the prowl for easy pickings from gardens, sheds and garages. As the weather starts to warm up, we all spend more time outside, but we all also get a bit lax about leaving our property around and locking our sheds and garages when we use them.

Opportunist criminals are always on the lookout for bikes, tools, sports equipment and fishing tackle in sheds and garages, as well as in gardens.

So if you haven't assessed your security for some time then we would urge you to look at your sheds, garages and outbuildings and see how secure they really are. Do you need a better lock, an alarm, lighting, or even CCTC? Below are some areas to consider:

- Make sure your shed or garage is secured with a good quality lock.
- Keep back gates locked when not used.
- Check there are no bins, composters or trees that can be used for climbing over your garden fence to gain access consider planting thorny bushes inside the fence to deter entry.
- Do you have security/motion sensor lights? They can be a great deterrent if your home or garden is secluded from street lighting.



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- Loop a strong chain through the handles of your garden tools and connect the ends with a strong padlock. If possible, fix a large metal eyelet to part of the shed frame and loop the chain through it. Alternatively consider installing a lockable storage cupboard within your shed/garage to store valuable items in, as this will also form a second line of defence to thieves.
- As well as protecting property in sheds and garages people can also stop thieves stealing plants by using heavy plant pots which will be less desirable to walk off with.
- Many shed windows are never used, if this is the case why not screw them shut. Fitting mesh or steel bars across the window from the inside allows light to enter but means the thief has to go to a lot of trouble to remove them. Replace broken glass with laminated glass.
- If you have a household alarm, consider extending it to cover your outbuildings or fit a bespoke shed/garage alarm.
- Check your home contents policy to see if you are covered in the event of a break-in.
- If you have an expensive bicycle or motorbike, make sure you have a good quality lock securing it when it is not being used.
- For reference record a description and add photographs of your cycles, golf clubs, fishing equipment, tools, and any other valuable property free on www.immobilise.com.
- Consider marking your property too using a visible permanent marker (eg waterproof paint, engraving or permanent marker pen) or if you prefer an invisible marker (UV pens etc). It is recommended that you put your postcode prefixed with the number of your address, this allows any recovered stolen goods to be identified and returned to the owner.

5. News

Following a number of reports of suspected hare coursing in the area of Wressle, 3 males have been reported for wildlife crime offences, poaching equipment seized and vehicle recovered. Class B drugs located and dispersal orders issues. **#OpGalileo #InYourCommunity #RuralTaskForce.**



6. Stay informed

Stay informed through our social media channels, find us on <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u>:

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 <u>non-emergency crimes online</u> via our reporting portal. In an emergency always dial 999.