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Howdenshire - Update for August 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 note

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

- Entry was gained into a secure van parked on a driveway at a property in Gilberdyke, the steering column was then removed and wiring damaged. The suspects were then disturbed by the owner and fled.
- A vehicle has been damaged as the result of an object been thrown at it.

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

YOUR HOME – KEEP IT SAFE.

Burglary is by and large an opportunistic crime, with burglars looking for a home that gives them the easiest way of committing their crime undetected and with the fewest obstacles to negotiate. In many cases burglars do not need to use any force to gain entry which can be achieved via an insecure window or door. So how can you keep your home and property safe?

- **Going on Holiday**

If you are going away remember to cancel the milk or newspapers.

Don't make it obvious to burglars you are away; leave your curtains or blinds open – nothing reveals that a house is unoccupied so much as curtains drawn during the day. If possible, ask a trusted neighbour to close your curtains in the evening.

If you don't already have any, then consider getting timer switches and setting your lights both downstairs and upstairs to come on at different times throughout the day/evening.

Again a trusted neighbour collecting your post and possibly parking their car on your drive, whilst you are away will add to your security.

Don't talk about your planned holiday on social media – you don't know who may be reading your comments or who they might tell.

Keep your valuables safe, out of sight and don't leave them where they can be seen through a window. If you conceal valuables in your home, avoid obvious hiding places such as your sock drawer or in a fake food can in the kitchen – burglars are wise to this trick.

Given that most burglars are opportunists and their motive is generally to get in, get something of value and then get out as fast as possible, your intruder might be encouraged to leave after finding a fake hoard rather than turning your house upside down to find anything of real value



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- **Security around the home**

Make your home looks occupied by leaving a radio on or a light on a timer switch to make the house sound and look as if someone is at home, even if you are out.

Never leave your spare keys in a hiding place such as under a doormat, in a flowerpot or inside a letterbox.

Make sure you use a burglar alarm (if you have one) every time you leave the house. Don't leave valuables on view or on window sills and keep your car keys hidden out of sight - consider taking them up to bed with you at night. If you conceal valuables in your home, avoid obvious hiding places such as your sock drawer or in the bottom of a wardrobe.

If your property is stolen make sure you can describe it to the Police by keeping a record and photographs of makes, models and unique serial numbers etc. You can also register all your details onto WWW.immobilise.com. This is a web-based property records system, endorsed and searchable by all UK Police Forces and secondhand dealers.

- **Security in the garden**

Security of gardens and outbuilding buildings is often not your first thought. However, by making a few modifications sheds and garages, along with the equipment stored in them can be made more secure:

Make sure sheds and garages have good quality lock and hinges.

Consider fitting deterrents in the garden like movement sensitive floodlights as these will leave thieves feeling exposed. Likewise alarms on sheds and garages will deter thieves as they would not want to be spotted in out buildings taking property.

Garden tools, DIY equipment and leisure items such as fishing and golf equipment should be locked away in storage cupboards within outbuildings to form a second line of defence to thieves.

Motorbike and pedal cycles should also be locked even when they are in a shed or garage.

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 and ensure that unused garden furniture and tools are stored securely out of sight.

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.