

REPORTED CRIMES OF INTEREST FOR THE BASSETLAW EAST EVERTON/ BECKINGHAM BEAT AREA – OCTOBER 2019.

The Everton/ Beckingham beat area includes the following villages and hamlets – Misson, Misson Springs, Newington, Scaftworth, Harwell, Everton, Gringley on the Hill, Walkeringham, Saundby and Beckingham.

The crimes of interest – incidents of burglary, criminal damage and thefts – reported for the beat area between 01/10/2019 and 31/10/2019 were –

Burglary Dwelling – 2 (Drakeholes, Beckingham).

Burglary Other – 2 (Misson, Newington).

Theft of Motor Vehicle – 1 (Beckingham).

Theft from Motor Vehicle – 2 (Beckingham x2).

Criminal Damage to a Motor Vehicle – 1 (Misson).

Criminal Damage to a Motor Vehicle – 3 (Beckingham, Walkeringham x2).

This month there has been eleven reported crimes of interest across the whole beat area. This compares with two crimes reported throughout September 2019 and fifteen crimes in the same month last year.

So far this year, from 01/04/2019, there have been sixty two crimes of interest reported across the beat area. This compares with seventy eight reported in the same period last year. As such, seven months into the tracking year, these figures equate to a decrease in reported crime in that period of sixteen crimes.

This month there has been eleven reported incidents of anti-social behaviour across the whole beat area. This compares with six reported incidents for September 2019 and six reported for the same month in 2018. The anti-social behaviour umbrella covers a wide range of incident types including hoax calls to the emergency services, found/ abandoned vehicles and wildlife/ animal issues.

With the clocks going back at the end of October and the nights getting darker earlier, Nottinghamshire Police have recently issued advice to homeowners suggesting that they review their home security. The force is aiming to prevent a rise in burglaries during the darker autumn and

winter months by reminding residents to check their security and make it as difficult as possible for burglars.

Some simple crime prevention tips for your home include:

Make sure your entire door and window locks are working properly and ensure that doors and windows are locked at all times.

Change the times that the lights come on to simulate an occupied home.

Drawing the curtains or closing blinds, thus preventing people from looking into your homes can also help to make a difference.

If you are out all day, use a timer switch to operate the lights to make it look like someone is at home.

Make sure your front door is well lit. Use dusk to dawn lighting which automatically comes on as it gets dark.

Do not open your door unless you know who it is – use a door spy hole or door chain.

Crime trends are generally consistent and repetitive year on year. I make no apologies in re iterating the following pieces of advice which appears annually in the reports that I send out to be published.

Some of us will have already started the Festive shopping, while the rest of us, I am sure, will be starting sometime this month. There are never enough hours in the day at this time of the year. Whilst shopping, please do not leave items/ presents on view in your vehicle whether that is whilst out shopping or whilst parked up at your home address. At this time of the year there is usually an increase in thefts from motor vehicles where items left on display have been stolen.

Another month has gone by and as we get towards the middle/ end of November the weather tends to get particularly colder and it will not be long before we will be greeted with a layer of frost on all the windows of the cars. This inevitably puts you behind schedule in your rush to get to work. Please do not be tempted to leave your car on the drive, or on the street, unattended with the engine running so that the windows can defrost while you finish your breakfast. There have been incidents in the past when vehicles have been stolen whilst the car engine has been left running whilst the driver has left the vehicle to close a perimeter gate – yes, in that short space of time.

The control room continue to receive reports from community members of sightings of suspicious persons, vehicles and activity across the beat area. These calls are important to us all and do help in keeping reported crime figures relatively low across the beat area.

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Please do not use these telephone numbers to report incidents and/ or crimes. Our works numbers should only be used for non-urgent matters – including seeking advice and/ or information.

I continue to receive calls on my works phone from residents wishing to report incidents and crimes. In many cases these calls are received when I am on rest days or annual leave and have not got my works phone to hand. Residents must be comfortable in reporting these occurrences to our control room on 101 in order to receive the best, and real time, service from those officers who are on duty.

Thanks, as ever, for your continued help, interest and support – it is, as always, very much appreciated.

Best Regards.

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