

# Warwickshire Police

## Rugby Rural North Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT)

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*January 2019 Newsletter*



### *Incorporating the villages, hamlets and communities of:*

Burton Hastings – Copston Magna – Wolvey – Wibtoft – Shilton – Barnacle – Withybrook – Willey – Monks Kirby – Ansty – Pailton – Stretton-under-Fosse – Brinklow – Combe Fields - Easenhall – Harborough Magna – Churchover – Coton Park – Clifton-upon-Dunsmore and Newton

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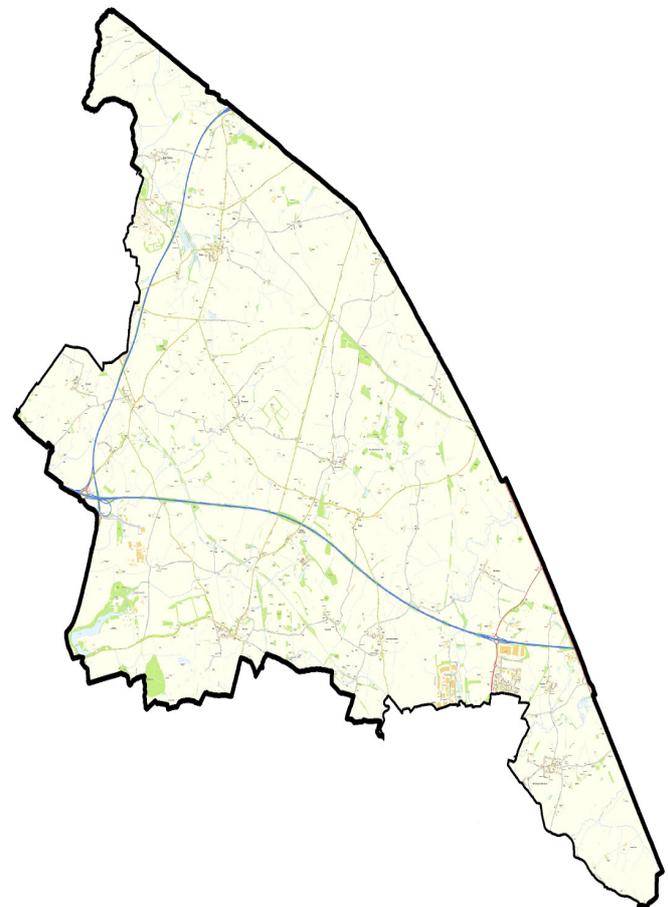
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Based at Rugby Police Station, the Rugby Rural North Safer Neighbourhood Team focus on providing a dedicated support and resolution role, working with partner agencies and individuals within the community to identify and solve concerns that affect their locality.

Our policing area has strategic road links with the M6, A5 and M69 passing through. Local officers, with support tackle the criminals that travel those routes with a view to making communities safer from the threat of harm. The area is mostly made up of rural and village communities which bring their own unique demands.

We focus work around high risk and prolific offenders and our Neighbourhood Teams will:

- Engage with communities and partners to innovate, identify opportunities and create sustainable solutions to local problems.
- Work with partners and communities to tackle the harm caused by crime and anti-social behaviour.
  - Be visible, accessible and accountable to local communities.
  - Engage with the Community Forum process and address priority concerns.
- Seek to identify those at most risk of harm and support them through appropriate interventions.
- Engage with young people and deliver prevention and early intervention activities in partnership with local schools.



## Your local policing team



Inspector 1598 Karen Jones – Rugby Borough SNT



Sergeant 0948 Sarah Masters – SNT Sergeant for Rugby Town West and Rural



PCSO 6152 Sharon Bailie-Crabtree – Rugby Rural North

## Introduction

Welcome to the January issue of the Rugby Rural North Newsletter.



**Warwickshire Rural Watch**  
*closing the gate on rural crime*

## Crime/Incident Overview

This section looks at the crimes/incidents of public interest that have occurred on the Rugby Rural North Safer Neighbourhood Team policing area. Below is an overview of certain crime/incident-types that have been reported to us over the last month:

### Burglary Residential – 4 reported incidents

**Inc 78 10/12/2019 – Cypress Road, Coton Park**

2 new boilers have stolen from 2 new properties.

**Inc 53 13/12/2019 – Monks Kirby**

Overnight unknown offenders have forced a sash window and stolen 2 sets of car keys and the vehicles from the property.

**Inc 23 15/12/2019 – Grove Road, Ansty**

A conservatory door has been smashed and entry has been gained, a watch and cash have been taken.

**Inc 372 17/12/2019 – Farriers Court, Stretton under Fosse**

An attempted Burglary – offenders were disturbed whilst trying to break into a property.

### Burglary Business and Commercial – 4 reported incidents

**Inc 164 02/12/2019 – Rugby Road, Harborough Magna**

Unknown offenders have broken the padlock on a gate and stolen a jet wash and a plant trailer.

**Inc 52 10/12/2019 – Newton Lane, Newton**

4 new buildings have been broken into and boilers have been taken.

**Inc 49 18/12/2019 – Rugby Gateway, Leicester Road**

Containers have been entered and domestic appliances have been stolen.

**Inc 171 17/12/2019 – Fosse Way, Monks Kirby**

A tack room has been entered and a saddle has been stolen.

### Criminal Damage – 3 reported incidents

**Inc 193 06/12/2019 – Coton Park Drive, Rugby**

Damage has been caused to items in the park.

**Inc 81 07/12/2019 – Longstork Road, Rugby**

The front and rear tyres on a vehicle have been slashed overnight.

### Theft – 7 reported incidents

Commercial Thefts x 1

HGV x 2

## **Vehicle Crime - 13 reported incidents**

### **HGV's x 6**

#### **Inc 120 12/12/2019 – Avon Street, Clifton**

Unknown offenders have stolen a case of Prosecco, 10 bottles of wine, 1 litre of vodka and Singer sewing machine have been stolen from a secure vehicle, entry gained by unknown means.

#### **Inc 66 14/12//2019 – Newton Lane, Newton**

A Toyota Hi Lux has been stolen without keys.

#### **Inc 139 16/12/2019 – Central Park Drive, Rugby**

A works van has been entered by punching the lock out of the driver's side.

#### **Inc 294 05/12/2019 – Main Road, Ansty**

A laptop, back pack and passport have been stolen from a vehicle.

#### **Inc 49 13/12/2019 – Cathiron Lane, Brinklow**

Overnight number plates have been stolen from a vehicle.

#### **Inc 229 21/12/2019 – Main Road, Ansty**

The driver's door lock has been damaged on a works van and a sat nav and mobile phone have been taken from the glove box.

## **Mobile Police Visits**

What is the purpose of the Mobile Police Station visits?

Firstly it allows officers time to visit and patrol the local community offering a visible presence and reassurance. Secondly, it gives you the opportunity to visit local officers on board who are happy to listen to concerns and issues affecting the local community and welcome your comments and ideas as well.

Please take this opportunity to visit me as your local Police Community Support Officer 6152 Sharon Bailie-Crabtree from your local Safer Neighbourhood Team during my next visit to your village.

### **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2019**

Clifton – Lilbourne Road from 11:00am till 12:00pm

Harborough Magna – Rugby Road from 1:30pm till 2:30pm

### **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

Burton Hastings – Hinckley Road from 9:15am till 10:15am

Withybrook – Main Street from 10:30am till 11:30am

Monks Kirby – Broadhurst Lane (by the village hall) from 11:45am till 12:45pm

Wolvey – The Square from 2:00pm till 3:00pm

Brinklow – Broadstreet (by the village hall) from 3:15pm till 4:15pm

## Rugby Rural North Policing Priorities

- 1 – To conduct speed checks in Wolvey village
- 2 – To conduct hi visiblitiy patrols around rural car park to prevent thefts from and of vehicles.

Our actions so far with the policing priorities are:

### **Speed checks in Wolvey**

Speed checks completed on the 28/102018 on Coventry Road, from 1.55pm till 2.25pm. Approximately 42 vehicles entered the village from Coventry and 37 vehicles left the villages. Vehicles exceeding the 30mph speed limit were 35mph x 1 and 38 mph x 1.

Speed checks completed on 31/10/2018 between 1.40pm and 2.18pm on Coventry Road. Approximately 94 vehicles entered the village from the Coventry direction and 66 vehicles left the village. Vehicles exceeding the 30mph were 34mph x 1, 35mph x1, 36mph x 1.

Four warning letters were sent out reference the last 2 speeding operations.

### **Hi visible patrols around rural car parks.**

Patrols have been carried out on the 28/10/18, no concerns.  
Patrols have been carried out on the 03/11/18, no concerns.  
Patrols carried out on the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> November, no concerns.  
Patrols have been carried out daily during December with no concerns.

## **Are people drug dealing in your area?**



Do you suspect people are drug dealing from a property near you?  
What are the warning signs?

Are there lots of different people visiting the property?

Are they loitering in or around an area?

Are there frequent and unusual traffic patterns such as: Stop – Enter – Leave?

Do cars frequent a property and a resident comes out and talks briefly with occupants then returns to the property.

Are they openly exchanging drugs and money?

Are the occupants from the property living a life style, beyond their means?

What should you do if you suspect someone is drug dealing in your street?

Useful information the police will need:

Dates, times and location of what is happening.

The make, model, colour and registration plate numbers of any vehicles visiting the property.

Describe any people you see the best you can – age, race, height, male or female, etc...

Describe what you see.

How to let us know what is happening. There are different ways to report what you see.

You can contact Warwickshire Police tel 101

You can let your local Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) tel 01788 853851. Leave a message and we will call you back.

Email the team [rrn.snt@warwickshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:rrn.snt@warwickshire.pnn.police.uk)

You can contact Crimestoppers tel 0800 555 111.

All information will be treated confidentially.

## How to spot if you have a cannabis farm near you:



Nine signs to look out for.

### **1: There's a strong, sickly smell**

It might sound obvious, but most cannabis grows are discovered by passers-by or keen-nosed residents catching a whiff of the drug's familiar smell.

### **2. High levels of condensation**

Landlords might notice damp on the walls or peeling wallpaper, while from the outside a neighbour might spot condensation on the windows, even when it's not the depths of winter. The condensation may well be due to inside having been turned into a makeshift greenhouse.

### **3. Constantly covered or blacked-out windows**

Do they have the curtains drawn all day long? Or have they put black-outs over all the windows? It might make it look like the house is unoccupied, but blacked out windows could well mean inside is really, really bright with all those strong lights.

#### 4. Cannabis growing equipment transported to and from the house

Thousands of pounds worth of equipment is often needed for large-scale grows - have you seen lots of things being delivered to the house, or large items being taken in or out?

#### 5. Constant buzz of ventilation

If you can hear the constant noise of a fan, at all times of the day or night, chances are it could be acting as ventilation for the cannabis grow.

#### 6. Strong, constant lighting day and night

Cannabis needs light to grow, so watch out for homes with bright lighting at all times of the day and night. Lights will often be on a timer switch, coming on in the middle of the night.

#### 7. Lots of power cables and rocketing electricity bills

The lights, dehumidifiers and heaters take a lot of electricity. Growers will often hack into the electricity wires before the meter to that individual house, and so bypass having to pay for the electricity.

If you are a landlord who gets a copy of the bill, has it dropped suddenly, or gone up suddenly? If you are a neighbour and your bill has rocketed – maybe your next door neighbour has hacked into your mains and you're paying to grow their drugs?

#### 8. Heat, birds on the roof, or a lack of snow

Cannabis factories produce a lot of heat, which can cause tell-tales signs, especially in winter. When it snows, the roofs of cannabis farms can be obvious as the snow melts, meaning it is probably the only house on the street without a snow-covered roof. Birds also like roosting on a nice warm roof...

#### 9. Unsociable comings and goings

Are there lots of unfamiliar faces turning up at the house at any time of the day and night? It could just be a popular family, but maybe it's something more sinister.

#### **Contact us!**

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☎ **101** – To report a Crime

☎ **(01788) 853851** – To contact the team directly (not for reporting Crime)