

### **Wolds Weighton Update for August 2020**

#### 1. Crime and ASB

TFMV – Theft from motor vehicle TOMV – Theft of motor vehicle ASB – Anti-social behaviour

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East Yorkshire-Wolds Weighton Ward	Last 12 months														
	This year compared to last year			2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2020	2019	2019	2019	2019	2019
	Aug 18 to Jul 19	Aug 19 to Jul 20	% Change year on year	Jul	Jun	May	Apr	Mar	Feb	Jan	Dec	Nov	Oct	Sep	Aug
All offences	696	602	-13.5%	58	36	31	24	35	70	65	46	57	62	52	66
Burglary	72	61	-15.3%	10	0	2	2	6	6	6	3	7	10	6	3
Criminal damage	79	71	-10.1%	8	7	3	2	3	8	0	9	7	11	5	8
Drug offences	11	10	-9.1%	3	0	1	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	1	1
Shop theft	2	14	+600.0%	0	0	0	1	0	5	2	2	1	1	1	1
Sexual offences	32	20	-37.5%	1	3	0	1	2	2	2	1	2	3	2	1
TFMV	11	18	+63.6%	0	0	0	0	0	10	5	0	1	0	1	1
TOMV	8	7	-12.5%	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	2	0	0	0
Thefts excluding vehicle and shop the	77	65	-15.6%	3	8	3	2	4	9	11	2	9	2	5	7
Violence against the person	314	262	-16.6%	22	12	18	9	18	22	32	22	21	29	22	35
ASB	84	93	+10.7%	18	12	5	8	9	2	9	1	7	5	8	9

Detailed crime and ASB data for your area can be obtained by visiting <a href="www.police.uk">www.police.uk</a> and following the 'Find your Neighbourhood' link.



#### 2. Crime issues of particular note

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

- Garden furniture was stolen from a rear garden of a property in Millington.
- A secure outbuilding at a farm near Huggate was broken into and various stools stolen.
- Several Quad bikes and other equipment have been stolen from secure properties in Nunburnholme, Everingham, Bielby Lane Pocklington and Fangfoss.
- A secure garden shed of a property in Shiptonthorpe was broken into and a cycle and other items stolen
- Electric gates at a property in Shiptonthorpe were damaged as a result of them been forced open by the suspects who then drove off after being disturbed.
- Secure farm outbuildings in Huggate have been broken into and various tools stolen
- A secure workshop in Kirby Underdale was also broken into but the alarm was activated and the suspect/s left without taking anything
- Tools and chickens have been stolen from an allotment site near Yapham.

#### 3. Community Priorities

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

#### **High Visibility Patrols**

We have been patrolling Market Weighton and the surrounding rural areas during our shifts. We are aware that there are many vulnerable people that live within the community and we want to reassure them that we are still here for you. We have also been posting on Social Media on a regular basis as a way of keeping everyone updated.



#### 4. Crime Prevention Advice

#### **SHED AND GARDEN SECURITY**

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.
- 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 <a href="https://www.immobilise.com">www.immobilise.com</a>.
- 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 and appeals

#### **Safety in Neighbours Campaign**

More people watching over our area reduces the risk of being burgled. Neighbourhood Watch members help make our community safer. For a free checklist, visit https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/crime-prevention/crime-prevention-toolkits/burglaries/burglary-prevention-checklist



#### **Farm Thefts**

There has been an increase in thefts from farms/businesses within the rural communities of the East Riding of Yorkshire. Since the 1st July 2020 there have been 10 incidents within the area. Entry has been gained by cutting/jemmying or prising locks and doors and also via insecure doors.

Items taken vary from bikes, Quad bikes, scrap metal and other various vehicles and trailers. Please have a look at your security and consider whether you need to look at improving any areas eq using stronger locks, alarms systems, doors and



security bars, sensor lighting and anchor points for machinery/vehicles. If you see anything suspicious please report to Humberside Police on 101.

#### 6. Surgeries

We encourage everyone to follow the Government guidance. For this reason we will not be holding any more engagement events with our communities for the foreseeable future. Whilst we love seeing you, these events are non-essential in the current circumstances.

You will still see us out and about as we continue to do our job and keep our communities safe. As always there are a number of ways you can get in touch with us if you need us.

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

https://www.humberside.police.uk/teams/wolds-weighton

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