

Stakeholder update

*Monthly update to stakeholders,
provided by the Rushcliffe Neighbourhood policing team*

Inspector's update – April 2021

Welcome to the latest edition of the Rushcliffe Stakeholder Update. My name is Craig Berry and I am the officer responsible for the policing of Rushcliffe Borough.

Firstly, residents of North Road in West Bridgford reported concerns following a car which was intentionally set on fire on neighbouring Carlyle Road at 05:15am Sunday 28th March (inc 83-2803 refers). This came after a number of criminal damages to parked cars on the evening of Saturday 20th March. We recognise the concern amongst the community and whilst the arson investigation remains on going we arranged for with all victims and their neighbours to be visited by the local Beat Manager to update them on our investigation but to also try and understand what was behind this. Given that both offences took place over a weekend we conducted extensive patrols overnight on Easter weekend as well.

House burglaries remain very low which is positive but vehicle crime and theft from cars and vans is starting to pick up. Typically incidents are

taking place across the borough overnight so please ensure your vehicle is securely locked and there are no valuables left inside. There have been three further catalytic convertor thefts from Toyota and Honda cars and we will be launching a crime prevention scheme in the next few weeks for those drivers who own the makes and models of vehicle that are being targeted. There will be more to follow there so watch our social media.

We are now seeing the staged easing of Covid restrictions which will no doubt change our life styles and behavior. The 12th April will see pubs and restaurants reopen for outdoor service and non-essential shops and gyms as well. Rushcliffe Police are working with Borough Council colleagues around businesses and public space compliance with the Covid regulations and we will have a patrol plan in place for expected busier locations to ensure that people are behaving responsibly. If you were in West Bridgford Town Centre over Easter weekend you will probably have seen police officers and security staff patrolling the parks and public areas and this will continue for the next few months.

The Rushcliffe Reacher team will be focusing on rural crime and policing the roads around our rural villages in the next month. They will be talking to residents to find out what effects them so if you get an opportunity stop them and tell them about your village and anything else crime or ASB related.



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Team updates: Rushcliffe South

Sergeant Chris Jury
Cotgrave
Neighbourhoods

Again, it's great to be back as the Rushcliffe South Neighbourhood Sergeant, and I am really looking forward to the challenges ahead.

Due to COVID restrictions, our face to face interactions have been somewhat limited, but I hope over the coming months that those will be able to be increased as the lockdown rules ease.

With that (and anti-social behaviour) in mind, the team have been involved in a neighbourhood operation within the Bingham area over the last two weekends to deal with ASB / COVID breach issues, for which we have been linked with Rushcliffe Borough Council and the Bingham Councillors. This is an ongoing situation that we will continue to address, but with a very visible presence during those weekends. During the period, some young people travelling from outside of the village have been issued with COVID tickets for unnecessary travelling, so hopefully the message will continue to get out that this behaviour will not be tolerated.

Further on COVID, we have linked in with the NHS, who have commenced a lateral flow / asymptomatic testing site on Wednesdays and Saturdays at the Cotgrave Hub car park – a really useful addition to the area.

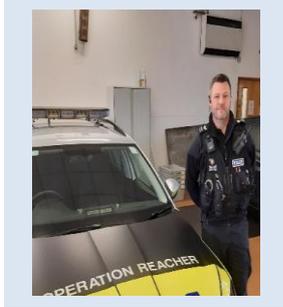
Elsewhere, a prolific shoplifter was identified by the team who had committed offences across the South, with the person responsible being charged with multiple offences and remanded to court.

And a further two individuals with whom the team had involvement were charged and remanded in relation to unconnected offences relating to abusing and threatening Housing Association staff, as well as other offences.

And a COVID safe school engagement has taken place at East Leake Pre-School, which was really well received. This will hopefully become something of the norm in the coming months.

I have already had contact either via email or over the telephone with a number of you, and for those for whom I have not yet had a conversation, I look forward to doing so in the near future.

Team updates: Reacher team



**Sergeant
James Ross**

Rushcliffe Reacher team summary for March 2021

As a result of our work across Rushcliffe Borough this month we have the following to report,

- 11 Arrests and voluntary interviews
- 6 Cars seized
- 8 warrants/house searches
- 17 Stop Searches- 5 weapons seized from these.

This month Operation Reacher staff have been targeting those persons responsible for theft of vans and dogs within Rushcliffe and knife crime. We have had positive results in both these areas. In relation to the theft of vans and dogs, from two separate investigations, two persons arrested, two stolen vehicles recovered and one dog rightfully returned to their owner. In relation to knife crime, in separate incidents, we have arrested four persons and have recovered 5 weapons, one from a repeat offender. We will do all we can to target and prosecute those engaging in violence and willing to carry and use weapons in Rushcliffe.

We have also continued to patrol and conduct operations in our rural locations to deter high value thefts from farms. This has been concentrated in the villages surrounding East Bridgford to try and stop in particular the theft of quad bikes. We will be working closely within the community to support those affected and will be deploying our own off-road vehicles into the area.

We will be continuing with our work in policing the rural villages and surrounding roads over the next month with our aim of targeting criminals who use our roads to commit crime in rural communities.

If you see us please feel free to stop and chat with us. Any information is helpful. We had information from people working in a field this week that has proved valuable. They thought somebody was lost and not really dressed appropriately. A bit odd they thought. This person had actually been involved in crashing an uninsured car into a parked car in East Bridgford. The information provided has led to a suspect and investigations are ongoing to locate them. So please come and see us or contact us by on our social media channels.