

Stakeholder update

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

Inspector's update – July 2021



Inspector Craig Berry

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.

Last month I detailed an emerging pattern of cycle theft from public places and garden sheds in West Bridgford around Trent Bridge and Melton and Musters wards. The good news is we have identified two further offenders responsible for bike theft from leisure centres and they have been arrested and investigations are progressing but, in the meantime, they have conditions not to enter West Bridgford.

In the last two weeks we have arrested a man on suspicion of committing dwelling burglaries on Byron Road, Balmoral Road and South Road in West Bridgford and these investigations remain ongoing with burglary detectives. In addition, officers located and arrested Callum Northage, 24 years, NFA, for a number of commercial burglaries in West Bridgford, Bingham and Nottingham City Centre during May and June. Northage has been charged and remanded to court as a result.

Detectives are investigating after a man was attacked with a hammer on Station Street, Bingham, near the train station, at around 11.30pm on Friday (2 July). Thomas Beech, 24 yrs, from Bingham has been charged with GBH assault. I am confident that this was isolated incident and that there was no wider threat to the public.

Criminals have specifically targeted tractor GPS devices and screens and electronic fertiliser equipment (as if to order) from four farms in Rushcliffe and Leicestershire in one night. The attacked farms were in Willoughby, Wysall, Upper Broughton and just over the border in Dalby. The property stolen overnight on 30th June is valued more than £100,000. Police are working with National Farmer Union to understand the problem to assist the investigation.

This will be my last monthly update as I am moving on to a new role at Force Headquarters. I just wanted to say thank you to the residents and stakeholders of Rushcliffe. Over the last five years I have seen first-hand the fantastic support you give to policing. We have worked together to reduce crime and keep people safe. I believe we have made a positive difference to people's lives, and I am sure going forward you will support Inspector Rob Lawton who I know will do his very best for you.

Thanks again.



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Due to some of the COVID restrictions lifting, our face-to-face meetings and visits have begun to recommence, with some further visits already planned into the diary across the team.

The team have visited Keyworth Youth and Football/Cricket Clubs, a Cross Border Farmers Meeting has been attended, a local AG has been attended, a meeting and plans for joint Rushcliffe and NPT community events have been completed (with some dates already in the diary within the Rushcliffe South villages) and visits to local scrap merchants have been conducted, again jointly, with British Telecom officers given a national spate and some local occurrences of significant cable thefts.

Another national spate, again linked to the increase in metal prices, have been catalytic converter thefts. Whilst not exclusively, these offences largely focus on certain vehicle types, with those vehicle converters being more vulnerable. As a result, a Catalytic Converter marking initiative is well into the planning stage by myself and Sergeant Merrall at West Bridgford, with specific vehicle owners to be targeted by our team and the garages identified to mark those vehicles, in order to reduce those vehicles being attacked by criminals.

One of our focusses for the last quarter was Anti-Social Behaviour in Bingham. Whilst on our afternoon / evening shifts, this has been our teams focus, and although there have been a couple of significant issues at one of the public houses there, I am pleased to say that that attention by the Neighbourhood Team, our Response teams and Council employed staff has reaped rewards, with visible reports of ASB being reduced, despite the significantly increased use of the Market Place on Friday and Saturday nights.

With the covid regulations being earmarked to relax in the near future, our face to face contacts will begin to further increase, and I look forward myself to meeting more of you in person.

