

Stakeholder update

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

Inspector's update – May 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.

It has been a busy April with policing activity in Rushcliffe Borough. The good news is that reported crime has remained relatively low. Unfortunately we have seen more theft from motor vehicle reported, and in particular catalytic converter thefts in which certain makes and model of car are targeted (Sgt Merrall talks more about this on the next page). In addition we are seeing a steady increase in shop theft from the smaller supermarkets in West Bridgford and we are working with them and targeting a small number of offenders to resolve this problem.

Some good police work last Wednesday 28th April resulted in an arrest of a man for robbery in Ruddington. Occupants of a white Mercedes sprinter van drove to an address on Loughborough Road with the intention of stealing a mini digger which they loaded into their van before assaulting a local resident who intervened. The van then made off on the A60 towards Keyworth. The van was then soon after sighted on the A46 towards Newark where it initially failed to stop for police officers, before ultimately being forcibly stopped where a stinger device was deployed to prevent the van moving.

The investigation was picked up by detectives on our CID and the suspect was further arrested for a burglary on a neighbouring district. I am really pleased we got a suspect in custody so quickly, as this was an appalling crime in which an innocent member of the public was assaulted.

The easing of lockdown restrictions has gone well since the 12th April. From the feedback, patrols and conversations we have had with colleagues at Rushcliffe Borough Council I can see that licensed premises are managing their premises very well and customers are behaving responsibly. The next key date is Monday 17th May when the hospitality industry opens again indoors but with restrictions.

As the Lockdown restrictions continue to ease and we get back to normality your neighbourhood policing will be arranging a series of summer engagement events covering the whole of Rushcliffe Borough. More details will follow soon but your feedback will help shape our priorities for local policing for the summer and autumn.

Let's hope for some good weather in May and speak again in early June.



Inspector Craig Berry

Team updates: Rushcliffe North



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Last week was a national week of action against knife crime and the West Bridgford Neighbourhood team were out patrolling across our parks and outdoor spaces across the area to deter ASB and engage with Young people. Our School Early Intervention Officer carried out Knife Crime awareness lessons with year 6 pupils at the Hayman Primary School which was a very positive engagement for the children. Op Sceptre is just a snapshot of the ongoing year-round work being carried out to combat knife crime in Nottinghamshire which involves police, partners and local communities all working together.

We take all reports involving knives extremely seriously. On Sunday 18th April a 15 year old male was arrested on Eton Road West Bridgford for possession of a knife. Due to the vigilance of members of the public and a timely call to police, officers were able to swiftly respond and detain the individual and knife was recovered.

Following numerous complaints of motorbikes and mopeds causing ASB in the Edwalton area our focus in the coming weeks will move to this area. We will ensure the bikes are legal to be on the road and deter them being used in an antisocial manner. Any bikes or persons caught using them in a manner to cause alarm, distress or annoyance can have a warning under s.59 Police Reform act and potentially their bike seized.

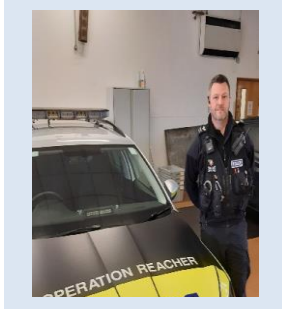
Shop theft in the area has increased and we will continue to work with our partners and the shops in the area through Shop Watch to tackle this. We will be out on patrol visible around our shops and look to identify and target any repeat offenders through the use of Criminal Behaviour orders alongside prosecution.

Theft of Catalytic Converters, mainly from Honda & Toyota Hybrid vehicles has continued and we are looking at Crime Prevention initiatives to deter the thefts alongside identifying offenders. Please see the below link to advice to Protect your vehicle

[Advice: Catalytic Converter theft | Nottinghamshire Police](#)

We have carried out several local engagements over the last month including a visit to the small Mosque in West Bridgford at the start of the Ramadhan period and an assembly at the new Rosecliffe Spencer School in Edwalton.

Team updates: Reacher team



**Sergeant
James Ross**

Rushcliffe Reacher team summary for April 2021

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

- Arrests: 6
- Vehicles Seized: 14
- Cannabis warnings: 4
- Prosecution files for court (crime): 2
- Traffic offence reports: 9
- Premises search warrants executed: 6
- Covid fixed penalties: 4

After much planning we executed a search warrant looking for stolen property in East Bridgford. We recovered items during the search that we believe to be stolen and as a result two arrests were made. This investigation remains on going but I am confident that this will have caused significant disruption to criminals. We also involved partner agencies including Western Power and the Environment Agency in the site inspection to maximise their knowledge and use of available legislation.

Our team have continued patrols and activity on the south of the borough including roads policing around our villages during which we have utilised a speed gun to check on road speeds and give us grounds to stop and speak to drivers. We also breathalysed a number on the roads between East Leake and Sutton Bonington based on community concerns. Fortunately all drivers tested negative but it gave us opportunity to reinforce the anti-drink drive message.

We have also executed a search warrant in West Bridgford for CID in relation to other criminal matters during which cannabis was recovered. Working with other Reacher teams we assisted City South officers with a search in the Meadows where numerous stolen items were recovered as well as class A and B drugs and large quantity of cash. We also supported Gedling colleagues with warrants in Netherfield where mobile phones were seized as evidence and we believe the disruption will impact positively on Rushcliffe as well.

In terms of engagement we spoke to a number of kids local football teams on Gresham Park in West Bridgford. The youngsters were impressed with our marked Reacher vehicles and we took the opportunity to ask them what issues were effecting them locally. As this was leading up to the national knife crime week of action we took the opportunity to have a conversation with them and their parents around the dangers of knife crime.