

# Warwickshire Police

## Rugby Rural North Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT)

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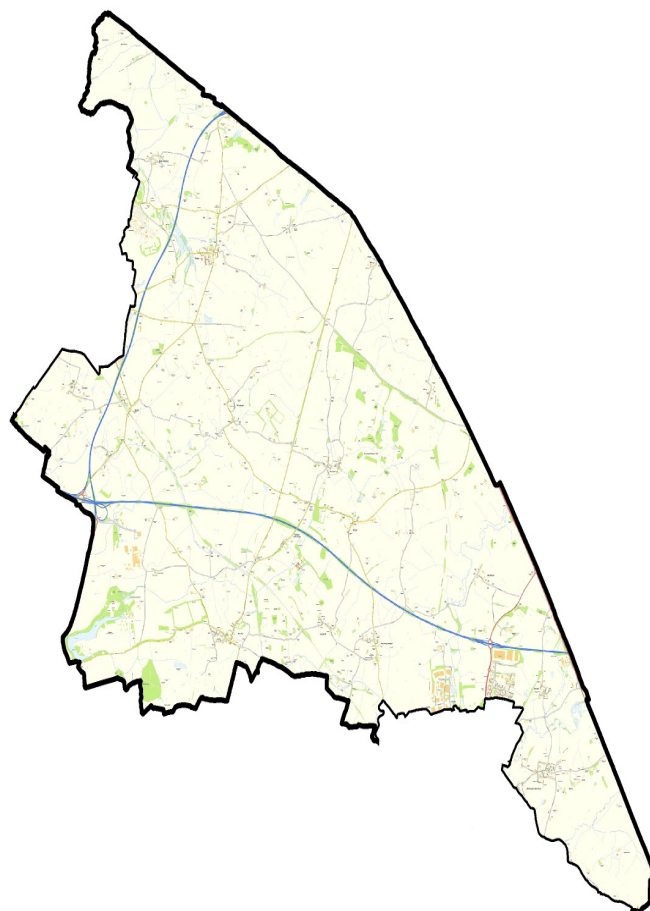
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Based at Rugby Police Station, the Rugby Rural North Safer Neighbourhood Team focus on providing a dedicated support and resolution role, working with partner agencies and individuals within the community to identify and solve concerns that affect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



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## Your local policing team



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

## Introduction

Welcome to the April issue of the Rugby Rural North Newsletter. Sorry for the last release but the team have been off with the flu.

## 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 – 7 reported incidents

#### **Inc 275 25/03/2019 – Harpers Yard, Harborough Magna**

A rear door has been smashed to gain entry and an untidy search has been carried out. A TV and Formula One merchandise have been taken.

#### **Inc 390 07/03/2019 – Wood Lane, Shilton**

Garden furniture, a lawnmower, patio heater and chainsaw have been stolen from a rear garden.

#### **Inc 195 09/3/2019 – Coventry Road, Brinklow**

At 1.30pm 3 black males have tried to gain entry to a rear kitchen door by kicking it in.

#### **Inc 323 09/03/2019 – Coventry Road, Brinklow**

Between 4.30pm and 6.30pm a rear patio door has been smashed and an untidy search has been carried out, an empty gun cabinet has been taken. Offenders have been seen to leave in a silver Vauxhall Astra.

#### **Inc 171 16/03/2019 – Main Street, Stretton under Fosse**

Overnight a padlock has been removed from a shed and gardening tools have been taken.

#### **Inc 249 30/03/2019 – Green Lane, Brinklow**

Between 1.00pm and 3.30pm entry has been gained to a property via the front door and car keys and the car have been taken.

#### **Inc 35129/03/2019 – Bulkington Road, Wolvey**

Between 7.00pm and 7.30pm unknown offenders have entered the property through an insecure front door.

### Burglary Business and Commercial – 4 reported incidents

#### **Inc 266 25/03/2019 – Rugby Radio Station, Hillmorton**

A quad bike has been stolen from a shipping container overnight.

#### **Inc 142 20/03/2019 – Grove Road, Ansty**

Overnight a tack room has been entered and a large amount of tack has been taken.

#### **Inc 73 21/03/2019 – Shilton Industrial Estate, Shilton**

Unknown offenders have removed a ANPR box and clothing items from a factory.

#### **Inc 452 09/03/2019 – Smockington Lane, Wolvey**

Between 2.00pm and midnight outbuildings have been entered and farming, welding tools have been removed. Items were found nearby waiting to be collected.

### Criminal Damage – 5 reported incidents

#### **Inc 227 09/03/2019 – Moors Lane, Hillmorton**

Overnight damage has been caused to fencing and electric signalling equipment have been stolen from the railway.

**Inc 2 26/03/2019 – Newton Lane, Newton**

Overnight 20 pheasant pens have had the doors smashed and damaged.

**Inc 331 16/03/2019 – Coventry Road, Brinklow**

A male has snapped a CCTV camera off.

**Inc 90 07/03/2019 – Coal Pit Lane, Wolvey**

A farm gate has been super glued shut.

**Theft – 08 reported incidents**

Commercial Thefts x 2

**Inc 34 05/03/2019 – Shortwheat Hill, Coton Park**

A vehicle has been entered and C.D's, sat nav, IPod and change have been taken. A lighter and gloves have been left behind from the offenders.

**Inc 105 18/03/2019 – Main Street, Harborough Magna**

Overnight unknown offenders have removed 12 sections of lead from the church roof.

**Inc 153 29/03/2019 – Meadow Way, Harborough Magna**

Overnight 7 ewes and 11 lambs have been stolen.

**Inc 142 06/03/2019 – Watling Street, Lutterworth**

Overnight a sheep handling system has been stolen and a set of weighing scales.

**Inc 113 09/03/2019 – Smeaton Lane, Stretton under Fosse**

A caravan has been stolen over a 8 week period.

**Inc 62 15/03/2019 – Hallway Drive, Shilton**

Overnight a goose has been stolen from a pen.

**Vehicle Crime - 18 reported incidents**

Theft from HGV's x 6

Commercial x 2

**Inc 50 15/03/2019 – Lilbourne Road, Clifton**

Overnight the passenger window has been smashed and a make up bag and phone charger have been stolen.

**Inc 61 15/03/2019 – Main Street, Clifton**

The driver's window has been smashed on a vehicle and loose change has been taken.

**Inc 131 16/03/2019 – Coton Park Drive, Coton Park**

A car has been keyed whilst parked on the road.

**Inc 63 24/03/2019 – Church Street, Churchover**

A rear windscreen has been smashed and 2 boxes taken.

**Inc 151 01/03/2019 – Montilo Lane, Harborough Magna**

Between 5.00pm 28/02/19 and 11.00am 01/03/19 a grey Ford Focus has been stolen after breaking down.

**Inc 81 31/03/2019 – Main Road, Ansty**

A black Ford Fiesta has been stolen, the driver's window was believed to of been smashed.

**Inc 270 09/03/2019 – Hall Lane, Wolvey**

Overnight a Peugeot vehicle has had the rear nearside door window smashed.

**Inc 281 23/03/2019 – Fernhill Way, Wolvey**

At 4.00am unknown offenders have smashed a rear car window and stolen a art bag.

## Mobile Police Visits

Don't forget to visit local officers on their mobile police visits in May.

### **May 8th 2019**

Clifton – Lilbourne Road from 11.00am till 12.00pm

Harborough Magna – Rugby Road from 1.30pm till 2.30pm

### **May 9<sup>th</sup> 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

## Good News Stories

A 17 year old youth from Rugby has been sentenced at Crown Court on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019 and given a custodial sentence, but suspended for 2 years for attempted burglaries and theft from motor vehicles in Newton village in September 2018.

## Appeal for information

### **Investigation ongoing following sheep deaths**

Warwickshire Police is urging rural communities to be vigilant and report any suspicious activity, after a number of incidents of sheep being stolen and illegally butchered in the county this month.

On 2 March 2019, officers were called to an incident near Wibtoft, Rugby, where seven sheep were found to have been killed and butchered in a yard (incident number 179 of 2 March 2019).

At around 1am on 7 March 2019, officers were called to a farm in Wasperton, Warwick, where offenders were disturbed but took a pregnant ewe. Officers were called and responded, investigations are ongoing. (incident number 10 of 7 March 2019).

On 9 March 2019, police were called to a farm in Gaydon. It's reported nineteen ewes were killed and butchered after being chased (incident number 110 of 9 March 2019).

It's reported that similar incidents have also recently taken place in Leicestershire and Northamptonshire, and officers are linking in with border forces as part of the investigation.

Carol Cotterill, Rural Crime Officer at Warwickshire Police said: "Theft and illegal butchery of sheep is a serious offence, which can cause suffering to the animals and financial repercussions to farmers. Enquiries are currently ongoing into the above incidents and we would urge anyone who has witnessed any suspicious activity or has any information that could help with our enquiries to please come forward. We also ask all owners of livestock and residents who live near fields with livestock in to be extra vigilant and report any concerns to us. There is also concern that these offenders are chasing the sheep before catching some of

the animals and this may have caused problems with the rest of the flock such as health risks to the ewes and unborn lambs.

"We are warning all sheep farmers to stay extra vigilant, particularly those who have fields in more remote locations. Always ensure gates are locked and are in good working order and stock is regularly checked and accounted for.

Members of the public should also be mindful of being offered meat for sale in suspicious circumstances.

If you suspect someone has attempted to target your animals, or find that you've lost livestock in this way, please report it to police immediately."

Any suspicious activity should be reported to police on 101. In an emergency, always call 999. Information can also be shared anonymously via Crimestoppers by calling 0800 555 111 or via their website.

For further advice on rural crime, please see here:

<https://www.warwickshire.police.uk/RuralCrime> and [www.warwickshireruralwatch.co.uk](http://www.warwickshireruralwatch.co.uk)

### **Sheep Killed in Field Near Churchover, Warwickshire.**

**Incident number:** 72 of 30/3/19

Believed to be overnight (29th/30th March) unknown offenders entered a field near Gibbet Hill, Churchover and killed 20 sheep, taking the meat from the carcasses. If you saw anyone acting suspiciously in the area or have any information that could help the police with their enquiries please call 101 and refer to inc 72 of 30/3/19, alternatively you can contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 or email [NorthWarksRuralAlerts@warwickshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:NorthWarksRuralAlerts@warwickshire.pnn.police.uk).

#### **Contact us!**

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☎ **999** – In an Emergency

☎ **101** – To report a Crime

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