Wellesbourne Safer Neighbourhood Team Newsletter May 2024

Covering the policing areas of Snitterfield, Wellesbourne, Kineton and Burton Dassett



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Incidents reported during April 2024:

If you have information relating to the referenced incidents please call 101 quoting the number and date.

Wellesbourne Area:

23/14025/24-Between 19:00 05/04 and 09:30 06/04, Hastings Road, Wellesbourne

Three tyres slashed with a blade.

132-06/04 Loxley Road, Wellesbourne.

Caller reporting suspicious circumstances. Two vehicles observed in lay-by and occupants seen to be passing 10 -12 catalytic convertors from one vehicle to the other.

23/14458/24– Between 21:00 08/04 and 09:00 09/04, Wellesbourne Allotments, Kineton Road, Wellesbourne

Forced entry to shed and search made. Electric screwdriver, worth £30, stolen.

23/15426/24– Between 12:00 08/04 and 06:00 09/04, Wellesbourne Allotments, Kineton Road, Wellesbourne

Lock wrenched off door to shed. Petrol roller mower, red, value £300 stolen. Damage to door and lock, approximately £50.

23/15454/24-Between 00:01 08/04 and 06:00 09/04, Wellesbourne Allotments, Kineton Road, Wellesbourne

Padlock cut off shed. Green Cooper petrol rotavator, value £200 stolen.

23/14918/24-12/04 Church Street, Wellesbourne

Fire deliberately started and surrounding greenery and a waste bin damaged.

067-13/04 Loxley Road, Wellesbourne

Instrument panel, worth approximately £30,000, carefully removed from a parked R44 helicopter at some time during the previous night.

073-16/04 Loxley Road, Wellesbourne

Office broken into overnight. Doors damaged. Small amount of cash and a can of oil stolen.

161-29/04 Grantham Road, Wellesbourne

Unknown caller, driving a small white van, pressuring occupant to pay for drive to be sprayed with weed killer and asking for access to rear garden.

Snitterfield Area:

335-03/04 Park Lane, Snitterfield

Caller observed a male, via CCTV, attempting to enter gates of property. Police attended but did not find any signs of disturbance or anyone in the area.

23/13724/24-Between 10:30 03/04 and 14:00 04/04 Park Lane, Snitterfield

Front and rear registration plates stolen from a car.

212-08/04 Off A46, Snitterfield

Caller witnessed fly tipping of chopped-up greenery in front of a farm gate from two vans.

023-18/04 Church Road, Snitterfield

Report of a break-in taking place. Police attended. Door lock to house snapped. Possible unsuccessful attempt to steal parked vehicle. Vehicle seen to be driving away.

Kineton Area:

23/13850/24-05/04 between 01:30 and 03:30, Commercial Premises, Lighthorne Heath

Entry via unsecure gate. Single axle trailer and unknown make of road roller stolen. Value between £15,000 and £20,000.

23/16496/24 Between 09/04 and 12/04, Leam Road, Lighthorne Heath

Damage to vehicle fuel cap reported. Owner believes that fuel has been siphoned and is now unable to refuel car.

23/15960/24-16/04 Commercial Premises, Kineton Road, Gaydon

6km of copper cable, value over £100,000, stolen.

Burton Dassett Area:

290-20/04 Burton Dassett Country Park

Caller approached a group of youths because they had thrown rubbish out of the car. The youths were abusive and the caller was also concerned about the smell of cannabis being smoked.

Wellesbourne Allotment Burglaries



PCSO Allen visited Wellesbourne Allotments to discuss the recent burglaries and go through some crime prevention measures with the Chairman and some plot holders.

If you have fallen victim to a theft/burglary at your allotment, you can report it online here: https://www.warwickshire.police.uk/ro/report/

Think like a thief

Take a look at your shed and consider how you would break in. It's worth having a good padlock on the door with no exposed screws. Pay attention to hinges, as these are sometimes easily removable. If you have windows then these could be vulnerable unless they're secured with wire mesh or grills. And keep it locked at all times.

Alarm it

Consider a battery-operated shed alarm. They look low key but they respond to movement or door contact with an extremely loud siren.

Lock it, hide it or mark it

Don't give them the opportunity or the tools to commit a crime. Lock everything away securely. Tools can be locked inside a locker or box or secured with a chain.

Secure your bike to the ground or a lockable stand within a locked shed or garage. Visit Sold Secure to search for ground anchors and other locks designed to fix to floors and walls.

It's always worth draping an old sheet or blanket over the top of mowers or bikes to keep them covered from view.

Although it might sound like stating the obvious, never leave your garage or shed door unlocked if you're not around.

Property marking your items is advisable and some tools can be painted with your name or postcode. Forensic marking is also an option.

A locksmith belonging to the Master Locksmiths Association can advise you on the most secure shed and garage door security. They can also help you install it. Most also provide full home security surveys.

This newsletter is not intended to record a comprehensive list of every reported crime in the area but includes crimes and incidents that the local community should be aware of. Staying vigilant and working together with the police and your local community can help to keep crime out of your area.

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