

NORTHERN NEW FOREST HEART

Monthly Beat Report – January 2018

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Hello and welcome to January's Beat Report for the Northern New Forest Heart area. I am PCSO 14495 Richard Williams, one of the Beat Officers for this area, and I am based at Lyndhurst Police Station with my colleague PC 20127 Steven Norris.

Beat Surgeries

Please come and meet us, in February 2018 we will be at -

Minstead Village Shop on Saturday 10th February at 10am.

St Michael and All Angels Church in Lyndhurst on Sunday 11th February at 10.00am.

Lyndhurst Baptist Church on Sunday 11th February at 11.30am.

The Tip, Leaf and Bean café in the Lyndhurst Visitor's Centre on Sunday 18th February 10am.

Colbury Parish Church on Deer Leap Lane on Sunday 18th February at 11.00am.

Lyndhurst Parish Council Shop on Friday 23rd February at 2pm.

Bramshaw Village Shop on Monday 26th February at 8am.

Bartley Post Office on Monday 26th February at 9am.

<u>Burglaries:</u> In January there have been no residential burglaries but 7 non residential burglaries. They were in Copythorne where a leaf blower was stolen from a garden shed, Colbury where a barn was broken into but nothing was stolen, in Bramshaw where garden machinery was taken from a stable yard and in Minstead where the thieves took 3 batteries used to power an electric fence. In Cadnam two stables were entered but nothing was stolen. Also this month someone has entered the Lyndhurst Baptist Church and damaged a wooden cross that was in the foyer. If you have any information about any of these incidents then please let me know.

I am delighted to report that the man who was detained by residents in Brockishill Road in Bartley was convicted of the two burglaries that happened on the same night has been sentenced to two and a half years in prison.

<u>Theft From Motor Vehicle:</u> 9 vehicles have been broken into in January, 2 in the Fritham car park and 2 in the Millyford Bridge car park. One of the targeted vehicles saw a handbag stolen from a car that was parked outside a house in Ashurst for only 5 minutes, and the driver was inside the house at the time. This again just shows you how careful and how safety minded you have to be. The other car parks targeted were Bramshaw Wood, the Lyndhurst Golf Club and a layby on Brockishill Road in Bartley.

<u>Other Incidents of notes:</u> Thousands of pounds worth of lead has been stolen from the roof of the Copythorne School, 2 small windows at the Gamekeeper Pub in Woodlands have been smashed and some cut logs have been stolen from the Knightwood Oak car park in the New

Forest. This is theft and if caught you will be prosecuted. Someone has stolen food from a box at the back of the White Hart Inn at Cadnam, a large garden ornament was taken from a house in Lyndhurst and a group of youths have caused more damage to the Lyndhurst Park Hotel.

21 people have been caught speeding in Lyndhurst, Cadnam and Bramshaw, and one car was seized at Stony Cross because the driver didn't have any insurance. During January, the Speed Watch team in Minstead monitored 379 vehicles travelling along Mill Lane and Lyndhurst Road and 254 of them, so 67%, were exceeding the 30 mph speed limit. Of those 254, 91 vehicles (24%) were travelling at 35 mph or more and have received warning letters from the Police. There were at least 3 vehicles travelling in excess of 50 mph in Mill Lane. The Copythorne Speed watch team has also been surveying traffic in and around the village and I'll bring you an update from them next month.

Unfortunately this month 3 motorists have been abusive towards the Speed Watch teams operating on Mill Lane and in Minstead. It is so disappointing that people who give up their own time to help make the roads in their community safer for everyone are bullied in this way. Please if you feel the need to complain about the work that the Speed Watch volunteers carry out call me on 07554 775469 and discuss the matter with me rather than stopping at the side of the road and targeting people who are actually doing something positive. Can I also thank the many residents who show their support when passing the Speed Watch team, it is much appreciated.

At the end of last year we asked you to help us set our Policing Priorities for the first six months of 2018. The results of that survey have been added as a separate attachment and are defiantly worth a look at. And if you have any further questions about it then please let me know.

We've had some excellent calls from you in January reporting suspicious people and their vehicles. One such call ended up with two men being stopped in Copythorne after they were seen trying car door handles. Please report anything suspicious that you see in your community to 101 or call myself or PC NORRIS directly. Thank you.

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