



Hampshire Constabulary Monthly Beat Newsletter

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January 2017

**Ashmansworth, East Woodhay, Highclere, Burghclere, Newtown, Litchfield,
Ecchinswell & Sydmonton and St Mary Bourne & Stoke.**



Please find below the latest news summary of some of the crime which has occurred in the above areas over the past month. In the month of January there have been 12 incidents which have been classified as crimes by the home office.

Burglaries (2)

We have had 2 dwelling burglary and 0 Non-Dwelling burglaries reported this month. Let's ensure we keep our property well secured especially as the festive season is now upon us!

- Highclere, premises have been entered by an open side window and large quantity of cash taken from the upstairs bedroom. Shed lock also damaged but nothing taken.
- Ecchinswell, Property has had the back doors broken allowing access to the property. Unknown as yet if anything has been taken.

Please keep this information in mind whilst protecting your premises/property:

- Use timer switches (available from most D.I.Y stores) to switch on lights, radios while you are away from the home to make it look and sound occupied.
- Ensure you shut and lock windows and doors when you return home and settle down for the evening.
- Ensure you have used padlocks on the side gates to deny access to the rear of the property.
- Ensure your outside lighting is in working order (consider low level ambient light on a dusk to dawn sensor) this will activate even when you are not at home.

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Also remain vigilant, if you see any suspicious vehicles in the area please get the details and report via 101. You may consider this a waste of time but all intel we can gather will help us see who's in the area and build a better picture of any potential threats.

Criminal Damage (0)

None have been reported for January.

Please consider installing CCTV to protect your property.

Theft (1)

- Burghclere, Aggrieved has reported the theft of letters from their mailbox and information has been used to set up accounts in a bid to commit fraud.

Theft from Vehicle (8)

- Watership Down Car Park, 3 vehicles have been broken into via smashed windows and had items of clothing, baggage and IT equipment stolen that was left visible on backseats and footwells of vehicles.
- Beacon Hill Car Park, 2 vehicles have had back windows smashed and items stolen from the back seat.
- Newtown, rear nearside window smashed and jacket stolen from back seat.
- Penwood Forestry Car Park, 2 Cars broken into while aggrieved were walking their dogs and had their handbags stolen from the backseats.

Assault (0)

None have been reported for January.

Public Order (1)

- Ecchinswell, Aggrieved has reported an altercation with another driver who was tailgating them, when stopped they were verbally abusive.

Summary

Ok, so after a couple of quite months in the theft from vehicle department we have seen a sudden spike in this area this month. Unfortunately, all thefts have been victims due to them leaving items on display. These car parks are quite isolated and very vulnerable making it very easy pickings for would be thieves.

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I have been targeting these car parks as much as possible and raising awareness with people that use them to the point where I have seen mobile phones left in cradles in the car and stayed in the car park waiting for the owner to return and giving them words of advice. I will continue to raise awareness through social media and high visibility patrolling but if you can also liaise with your Neighbourhood Watch teams that would be ideal.

The main point to get across is if you don't need it **DON'T BRING IT!**

Please report any suspicious people, vehicles or activity to the Police via 101 or to Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Please call 101 if you see or hear any form of anti-social behaviour in your area. If you feel you are in immediate danger, always call 999.

Kind regards, PCSO 15934 Damon Hope
Neighbourhood Policing Team

If you would like to get in touch with me, I can be contacted on the email address found below.

Please DO NOT report crimes to us via email.

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