

NORTHERN NEW FOREST HEART

Monthly Beat Report – October 2017

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Hello and welcome to October'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 November we will be at -

Bramshaw Village Shop on Wednesday 8th November at 8am.

Bartley Post Office on Wednesday 8th November at 9am.

Minstead Village Shop on Saturday 18th November at 10am.

St Michael and All Angels Church in Lyndhurst on Sunday 19th November at 10.00am.

Lyndhurst Baptist Church on Sunday 19th November at 11.30am

Lyndhurst Catholic Church on Sunday 26th November at 10am.

Colbury Parish Church on Deer Leap Lane on Sunday 26th November at 11.00am.

Burglaries

In October there have been 6 residential burglaries in Winsor, Minstead, Emery Down, Cadnam, Ashurst and Lyndhurst. Again all of the properties were empty at the time that they were entered. Sadly there have been 16 non residential burglaries this month, with 10 of them happening in Ashurst on the same night. Again shed and other outbuildings were targeted and mostly it was garden tools that were stolen. The other areas affected were Lyndhurst, Copythorne, Minstead and Brook. It's important to remember that burglary in Hampshire remains low and by taking some relatively simple and inexpensive steps you can continue to reduce the likelihood of becoming a victim of this type of crime. Most residential burglaries are committed by "opportunists". The criminal picks the house that looks unoccupied, has little or no obvious security and where they think they won't be seen. Below is our **Home Security Survey Checklist** and by working through it you will be able to identify where you need to take some action. When carrying out remedial action you should start from the furthest point outside your property and work inwards, it's a process called the "Onion Peeling Method". This is the way that most burglars see your property.

Tick the appropriate answer to the questions listed on the form below. Where you tick NO you should consider taking steps to reduce the risks. Some of the questions may not apply to your type of property. If this is the case just tick N/A – not applicable.

REMEMBER when considering any home security measures you must always give priority to fire escape needs. And please dispose of this survey securely once completed.

PERIMETER	YES	NO	N/A
Is your front fence, wall or hedge, low enough to allow			
passers-by a clear view of the front of your home?			
Do you have a rear fence/wall or hedge?			
Would a fit person find it difficult to climb over your rear			
fence? (Consider a trellis topping to a fence/wall or planting			
prickly hedge).			

GARDEN	YES	NO	N/A
If you have a gate leading from the front of your home to the			
rear garden is it locked?			
If you have a garden shed is it kept locked with good locks			
at the top and bottom of the door?			
Are shed windows covered with a net curtain or similar so			
you cannot see in?			
Have you removed any tools or scrap materials from your			
garden which may assist a burglar to break in?			
Are any valuable plants or ornaments post-coded or			
photographed?			

THE SHELL	YES	NO	N/A
Do you have external lighting round the whole exterior of the home?			
Is your exterior lighting activated by a day/night sensor?			
Do you have lighting covering the front and back doors?			
Are your doors fitted with at least 5 lever mortice locks that have the BS 3621 Kite mark on, or a multi- point locking system?			
If you are not able to fit in a 5 lever mortice lock are your rim locks (Yale type) fitted with a deadlock facility?			
Do you have a door chain/door bar fitted to the main door?			
(For fire safety reasons these should only be used when answering the door)			
Do you have a door viewer fitted?			
Do you have window locks on all opening ground floor windows and upper floor windows that are accessible (except those needed for fire escape)?			
Are any patio doors fitted with anti-lift devices and patio door locks?			
If you have a PVCU multi-point locking door, do you lock it using the deadlock?			
Do you have an alarm fitted?			

INTERNAL	YES	NO	N/A
Have you post-coded your property? (Postcode + number or first two letters of your house name)			
Have you recorded the serial numbers of electrical/electronic equipment on www.immobilise.com			
Have you taken photographs or video of your jewellery, arts and antiques?			
Are your home's contents insured and listed?			
Have you fitted smoke alarms?			
MISCELLANEOUS	YES	NO	N/A
Are you a member of a Neighbourhood Watch scheme?			
Do you park your car in a garage?			
Are any pedal cycles post coded and recorded on Immobilise?			
Are any garden tools or power tools post coded and recorded on Immobilise?			
Are the tools secured in your garage or shed?			
Do you and your neighbours look after each other's property when away?			
Do you have someone to act as a key holder for you when you are out?			

If you are considering having an alarm fitted to your premises it's recommended that you obtain quotes from Inspectorate Approved Installers who are members of the National Security Inspectorate (NSI who were formerly known as NACOSS) or from the Security Systems and Alarms Inspection Board (SSAIB). Full details are available on their websites which are www.nsi.org.uk and www.ssaib.org.uk

Theft From Motor Vehicle

11 cars have been broken into during October and again there has been an increase in the number of vehicles that are being targeted while they are parked on driveways or on the road outside the owner's home address. Tools were stolen from 2 vans parked in Ashurst and cars were broken into outside Bartley Church and on a residential street in Lyndhurst. The New Forest car parks targeted this month were Andrews Mare, Janesmoor Pond, Knightwood Oak, Fritham, Millyford Bridge, the Brockishill Inclosure and Bolderwood.

HAMPSHIRE ALERTS

Can I ask for your help again this month please? If possible can you encourage your family and friends to sign up to HAMPSHIRE ALERT. As most of you know this is a free service offered by the Police which means that members can be sent relevant local alerts by text or email. These updates include incidents such as major road closures and warnings about the latest crime trends. It also allows members to reply to alerts, meaning that it is an easy way to share information or opinions with the police. It only takes a minute to sign up and you can get your family and friends to do so by following this link https://www.hampshirealert.co.uk/. Thank you.

Other Incidents of notes:

Two businesses in Ashurst have had used cooking oil stolen from outside their properties, the wheel trims of a car parked in the main car park in Lyndhurst have been stolen, two electric fence units have been stolen from outside a field in Bramshaw and very disappointingly someone stole the eggs that were for sale outside a house in Winsor. The service station at Cadnam was also broken into in October and cigarettes were stolen.

A Section 59 warning has been issued to the driver of a van who drove across the Forest floor off the Brockishill Road in Bartley. This means that his vehicle will be seized if he repeats this behaviour in the next 12 months. 7 motorists have been caught speeding in the New Forest Heart area in October, they were in Cadnam, Winsor and Lyndhurst. During October, the Speed Watch team in Minstead monitored 195 vehicles travelling in and around the village. This included Mill Lane for the first time, and 125 of the 195 vehicles, so 64%, were exceeding the 30mph speed limit. Of those 125, 44 vehicles were travelling at 35mph or more and have received warning letters from the Police. Meanwhile the Speed Watch team in Lyndhurst surveyed 788 vehicles in October and of those 323, nearly 41%, were travelling over the 30mph speed limit. 60 of those vehicles have received warning letters from the Police for recording speeds of 35 mph or more and one individual was recorded at 58 mph outside a school !!!!!!

Thank you again for all the calls made to the Police in October about the suspicious people and vehicles you have seen in the Northern New Forest. You can call 101 or if you prefer you can call PC NORRIS or myself PCSO WILLIAMS directly. If there is no answer then that means we are on a rest day, so either leave us a message or send us an email. And remember if you are telling us about a vehicle, the most useful information you can give us is the registration number. You are our eyes and ears in your community and we value any information you can give us that will help us keep the places where you live safe.

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