

COMMUNITY MESSAGING IN NORTHUMBERLAND

BE INFORMED

Please find the following Coquetdale Community Message update covering the period 4th March to the 1st April 2014.

Six (6) x crimes were reported over this period:

Rothbury

Northumbria Police will take positive action to safeguard persons suffering domestic abuse. Following continuing threats directed towards a person residing in the Rothbury area, a male who resides outside of Northumberland, was arrested for a breach of a Non Molestation Order.

He was produced before Mid and South East Northumberland Magistrates on the 28/03/14 and remanded

in custody, pending an appearance at Newcastle Crown Court.

Officer in the case (OIC) PC David Brown

South East Coquetdale

Burglary (Non Dwelling) Swarland

Occurred from 1800 hrs 17/03/14 and 0900 hrs 20/03/14 when an insecure garden shed was entered in Nile Drive.

A black Macallister cordless drill and a Black and Decker cordless screwdriver (black and red) were stolen.

An adult male has been interviewed in relation to this crime. Enquiries are ongoing.

OIC Sgt Graham Vickers

North / North West Coquetdale

Burglary (non dwelling) Lorbottle Square Farm

Occurred between 0700 hrs Sunday 02/03/14 and 0730 hrs Monday 03/03/14

An open plan farm building was entered, which is situated adjacent to the lane just West of Lorbottle Square Farm.

Five (5) x rolls of pig netting were stolen.

Increased police patrols will continue to deter and disrupt further thefts from remote farm areas.

OIC PC Phil Jack

Theft of farm plant Scrainwood Farm, Alnham

Occured between 19/02/14 and 28/02/14 when the farm compound was entered via the unlocked entrance gate

and a green McHale Bail Grabber was stolen.

OIC PC Rob Kilburn

Theft of trailer and digger Hepple

Occured between 1000 hrs Monday 24/03/14 and 2300 hrs 25/03/14.

The victims LandRover which was parked on the entrance driveway, was forcibly entered with the drivers window smashed.

The LandRover was then towed forward allowing access to the vehicle's trailer and digger load. The trailer (Indespension-silver colour) and a Case Mechanical Digger were towed from the location.

Police enquiries are continuing with a search warrant executed.

OIC PC David Brown

Theft of farm materials Thrunton Farm

Occured between 2200 hrs 03/03/14 and 0700 hrs 07/03/14

180 x wooden fence posts, 6 x bushels of high tensile fence wire and an Albut black/red fork-lift attachment

were removed from the farm yard.

OIC PC Rob Kilburn

In summary, our priority is to focus on deterring and disrupting thefts from remote rural farms.

Farming communities, please review your security, lock farm gates where possible, remove vehicle keys

and securely store property of value. Always be vigilant and report anything suspicious via the 999 emergency number.

The offenders are believed travelling criminals entering our area.

Police will continue to conduct static vehicle checks at key locations across Coquetdale, to deter such crimes.

In the early hours of the 29th March, a vehicle was stopped in Lesbury resulting in the four vehicle occupants being reported for poaching offences and equipment seized.

Our resources will continue to target continuing disorder caused by off road motor cycles in the remote upper valley areas.

A recent partnership approach on a Sunday morning has served to disrupt off road motor cycle activity and prevent damage

to remote routes and common land. Isolated incidents are still occurring across Northumberland.

Police together with partners, including the Northumberland National Parks Authority, Forestry Commission, voluntary groups

and local land users will continue to focus on addressing this issue of concern in the upper Coquetdale Valley.

If anyone has information on emerging crime or disorder, please contact Coquetdale Police. Our aim is to initiate early interventions and where necessary involve partners, to disrupt and prevent escalation.

- [The following link provides useful home and personal security information.](#)

http://www.northumbria.police.uk/advice_and_information/crime_prevention/index.asp

Speeding

Community Speed Watch Deployments:

19/03/14	Newton on the Moor	10 vehicles checked	4 speeding
19/03/14	Swarland	16 vehicles checked	4 speeding
26/03/14	Park Road, Swarland	7 vehicles checked	2 speeding
26/03/14	West Thirston	17 vehicles checked	7 speeding

Eglingham, Boulmer, Whitton Bank and Lisburn Street, Alnwick will be areas of focus

A total of thirteen Community Speed Watch Volunteers will now be deployed across Coquetdale and Alnwick.

We are very grateful to our volunteers for their time and commitment to Community Speed Watch, attending community meetings and opening our police station to the public.

Rothbury Police Station will be open each Saturday 10am to 1pm.

Telephone Fraud

We would like to bring to your attention a telephone fraud that has occurred recently in our area.

On both occasions farmers have received telephone calls from a male claiming to be from Barclay's Fraud. They were informed that a company had been attempting to fraudulently withdraw money from their account. The farmer was asked to hang up and immediately call the telephone number on the rear of their card for Barclay's Fraud. It appears that the caller has been able to keep the line 'open' and acted as Barclay's Fraud. This has resulted in large amounts of money being transferred from the alleged 'compromised' account into another bank account.

Never give out any personal details to callers ie: passwords, security codes etc

If you think you have been subject to this type of call - do not call the number of your bank as requested - call a person that you know, to check whether the line has been kept open illegally.

See link below for further [information:](#)

<http://www.thisismoney.co.uk/money/saving/article-2573276/Phone-scam-Commen-target-bank-customers-calling-phone-number-mimics-bank.html>

Contacting Coquetdale Police

If you require contact with your local police:

- In an emergency, dial 999
- Non emergency incidents telephone 101
- If you require contact with a specific officer, please telephone 101 and enter extension 61353

(if no reply, please leave a message)

- Alternatively, please dial 101 and speak with our Contact Management Unit who will assist you

in contact with an officer on duty covering Coquetdale.

- email the Coquetdale Neighbourhood Policing Team via alnwick.npt@northumbria.pnn.police.uk
- Or simply reply to this community message email, for the attention of the Coquetdale Neighbourhood Policing Team

Please note Rothbury Police Station is open 10am to 1pm each Saturday where our Police Volunteers will be on hand to assist and ensure any enquiries, information or concerns are directed to Northumbria Police.

Community Messaging

Finally, if any person you may know requires local police community message updates, email Coquetdale Police.

Please try and refer a friend or relative.

Thank you for your continued support.

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