

# COMMUNITY MESSAGING IN NORTHUMBERLAND

## BE INFORMED

Please find the following Coquetdale Community Message update covering the period 1st September to the 1st Oct. 2013.

Eleven (11) x crimes were reported over this period:

### Rothbury

Attempt theft from Motor Vehicle at the Haugh Car Park, Riverside, Rothbury.

Occurred between 10.40 am and 2pm 08/09/13 when the rear nearside window of an unattended,

securely parked car was smashed and items disturbed. No property was taken.

Crimes at this car park have been very rare over the years. Police focus will continue.

OIC Sgt Graham Vickers

Theft from the CO-OP Store, Rothbury

Occurred 3.20 pm 24/09/13 where the male offender took a bottle of vodka and cat food from the store.

The male was subsequently identified, interviewed, admitted the offence and was issued a £100 fixed penalty notice.

The offender was from the Longframlington area.

This incident is the second recent theft from the store with the previous reported in August to which a Newcastle offender was identified and issued a £100 fixed penalty notice.

Police are working with the store to deter further such incidents.

Offender interventions will focus on Newcastle residents annually attending 'The Dipper' location.

OIC PC Phil Jack

Theft of Motor Vehicle from Jubilee Crescent, Rothbury.

Occurred 09/09/13 with the vehicle recovered from a garage in the Hillside area of Rothbury.

All parties are known. Enquiries are progressing.

OIC PC 2524 Jack

Criminal Damage to window - Newcastle House Hotel, Rothbury

Occurred 1am Sunday 29/09/13 where a male from a group of 6, threw a traffic cone at the side lounge window

causing damage. The male involved was subsequently identified with support from our military colleagues

at Otterburn. This incident was dealt with by Community Resolution whereby the victim was compensated

for the damage (£200) and a written apology will be provided.  
His employer will also review conduct issues.  
OIC Sgt Graham Vickers

Theft of stihl saw - Thrum Mill, Rothbury  
Occurred between 11 am and 3 pm 01/10/13 at the land slip site, whilst staff were working.  
Enquiries are continuing. OIC PC Rob Kilburn  
**Police are stepping up patrols at the location.**  
**Fencing has been strengthened to prevent any person including pedestrians, cyclists or other,**  
**passing through this dangerous, unstable area.**

Damage to Motor Vehicle outside The Meadows, Thropton  
Occurred overnight from Friday 06/09/13 when implement damage was caused to the vehicle's bonnet, nearside panels and windscreen wipers.  
Enquiries are continuing.  
OIC PC Phil Jack

Burglary Other Than Dwelling at Flotterton Farm  
Occurred over the weekend from 13/09/13 when hay bail materials (netting, sheeting, string) and some diesel fuel was taken from farm buildings. Enquiries area continuing  
OIC PC 2524 Jack  
**Please always report anything suspicious to police via. 999 telephone line.**

### **South East Coquetdale**

Theft of Fuel at Swarland County First School  
Occurred overnight from Thursday 26/09/13 where diesel was syphoned from the storage tank within the school grounds. Continued police focus  
OIC PC Stuart Dixon

Theft of tree - Chesterwell, Swarland  
Occurred between 02/09/13 and 17/09/13 where a resident reports a small tree having been uprooted and taken from the garden. Tree description - Rhus Typhina - 4 ft tall  
OIC PC Horseman

Theft of fuel from Motor Vehicle - High Weldon Farm, Longframlington  
Occurred between 08/09/13 and 10/09/13  
Offenders forcibly remove fuel from a dump truck.  
Approach to the scene was believed from the nearby A697.  
Enquiries area continuing.  
OIC PC John Holdroyd

### **North / North West Coquetdale**

Assault (Common) - Glanton area

Occurred 16/09/13 following an altercation between two adult females which resulted in the arrest and cautioning of the offender for assault.

OIC PC Shaun Scott

*Please adopt a police officer mindset, keep an eye on your community and neighbours. Immediately report anything suspicious via 999 telephone number.*

*As the dark nights approach, please consider the following:*

- *ensure your house is secure and looks occupied when going out*
- *don't advertise valuables in your car*
- *be visible, if riding a bike or when your children are walking to school*
- *uninvited callers - if in doubt, don't engage and keep them out*
- *uninvited phone calls - if in doubt, just hang up*
- *check and prepare your vehicle for winter*
- *test your smoke alarm*

### **Partnership interventions**

Coquetdale Police engage with many partners to reduce crime, disorder and improve community confidence:

#### **Alnwick - Victim Offender Location Group (VOL)**

This is a local weekly problem solving group involving Northumbria Police, NCC Community Safety, Homes for Northumberland and other partners. The aim is to determine and implement solutions to support victims, address offending and problematic locations. For example, persons committing crime or disorder may breach tenancy agreements which could lead to eviction. Acceptable Behaviour Agreements, Good Neighbour Agreements, Anti Social Behaviour Orders, Tenancy Enforcement and execution of warrants are examples of interventions that are undertaken and reviewed on a weekly basis.

#### **Northumbria Police and Northumberland National Parks Liaison Group**

This group includes Northumberland County Council, National Trust, Forestry Commission, NNPA, Land Managers and other voluntary groups which meet every 3 months. The aim of the group is to identify areas of criminality, disorder or community concerns affecting our remote rural communities. Issues such as thefts from remote farms, poaching, off road motor cycle disorder and Heritage Crime are areas of focus

#### **LMAPS - Local Multi Agency Problem Solving (LMAPS)**

The LMAPS meet every month and brings together agencies to discuss local issues that have been unable to be resolved by a single agency approach. It utilises local intelligence, agency information and

resources

to resolve these issues. LMAPS is an information and problem solving group and the information shared is covered by a signed declaration of confidentiality.

## Crime Prevention



### **Don't Advertise to Thieves, one chance is all they need.**

Whether you are out shopping, in the car or at home, take some simple crime prevention precautions to protect yourself and your property. Northumbria Police will be encouraging people to take care of their personal belongings, whether they are out and about or in the comfort of their home.

Posters and leaflets will be used to remind people of the simple precautions they can take to prevent them becoming a victim of crime, whether it is through removing valuable items from their cars, closing handbags to keep items out of sight or locking doors and windows when at home.

Police are working in partnership with the North East Retail Crime Partnership to ensure that retailers are also passing the safety messages on.

People are encouraged to register any personal property, electronic equipment from lap tops to televisions, bikes and even jewellery on [immobilise.com](http://immobilise.com). This service is available free of charge and is used by police forces across the country. It means that if anyone loses an item and police find or recover it, officers have a better chance of reuniting it with its owner.

For more information on protecting your belonging please click here >>> [to visit our website](#)

- **The following link provides useful home and personal security information.**

[http://www.northumbria.police.uk/advice\\_and\\_information/crime\\_prevention/index.asp](http://www.northumbria.police.uk/advice_and_information/crime_prevention/index.asp)

## Speeding

### Community Speed Watch Deployments:

18/09/13	Park Road, Swarland	49 vehicles checked	6 speeding
18/09/13	Longframlington A697	50 vehicles checked	1 speeding

04/10/13	Garleigh Road, Rothbury	51 vehicles checked	6 speeding
04/10/13	Gravelly Bank, Rothbury	50 vehicles checked	8 speeding
04/10/13	Longframlington (Embleton Hall)	60 vehicles checked	4 speeding

Coquetdale Police will forward prevention / education letters to the keepers of speeding vehicles.

Police officers will personally deliver letters and speak to drivers where the recorded speed shows a total disregard to the safety of others.

We are very grateful to our volunteers for their time and commitment

### 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 [alswick.npt@northumbria.pnn.police.uk](mailto:alswick.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 9am to 3pm 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.

[alswick.npt@northumbria.pnn.police.uk](mailto:alswick.npt@northumbria.pnn.police.uk)

Thank you for your continued support.

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