



NORTH WEST LEICESTERSHIRE VALLEY BEAT POLICE UPDATE SEPTEMBER 2020



NOTICE:

Coronavirus (Covid-19): We're asking you please to only call 999 if it is an emergency and 101 if it is urgent. If you can, use our online services. Please only contact us about breaches of the 'stay at home' measures if you feel there is a significant issue or serious breach of the restrictions.

- **Our information and advice on coronavirus and policing**
<https://www.leics.police.uk/advice/advice-and-information/c19/coronavirus-covid-19/>
- **NHS advice about coronavirus**
<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/>
- **Stay at home measures and other guidance on Gov.uk**
<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>





CRIME FIGURES:

<https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/leicestershire-police/valley/>

CRIME PREVENTION ADVICE - RESIDENTIAL

Leaving your home checklist

Whenever you go out, it's important to leave your home secure. Getting into an 'exit routine' can help ensure that you don't forget obvious, but important things, like not leaving your valuables near windows, or no lights on if it will be dark before you get home. Here's our quick reminder on what to do just before you go out.

Become a creature of habit

Try to get into the habit of following your own course of action when you lock up your home. This will ensure that you don't forget anything.

Here's what we recommend you do before you go out:

- close and lock all your doors and windows, even if you're only going out for a few minutes
- double-lock any door
- make sure that any valuables are out of sight
- keep handbags away from the letterbox or cat flap and hide all keys including car keys, as a thief could hook keys or valuables through even a small opening
- never leave car documents or ID in obvious places such as kitchens or hallways
- in the evening, shut the curtains and leave lights on
- if you're out all day, then it's advisable to use a timer device to automatically turn lights and a radio on at night
- set your burglar alarm
- make sure the side gate is locked
- lock your shed or garage
- lock your bike inside a secure shed or garage, to a robust fitting bolted to the ground or wall, like a ground anchor

Going away?

Here are five tips to help you keep your home and belongings stay safe while you're away:

1. if you're off on holiday and wish to post anything on social media, make sure your posts aren't public and that they're only seen by your friends
2. leave lights and a radio on a timer to make the property appear occupied
3. get a trusted neighbour to keep an eye on your property or join a Neighbourhood or resident Watch Scheme
4. consider asking your neighbours to close curtains after dark and to park on your drive
5. remember to cancel newspaper and milk deliveries





SCHOOL TIME PARKING ISSUES:

The police team are working closely with schools on the beat to try and 'educate' parents who, by their poor parking are endangering children at the end of the school day. We have sent the message below to a number of parents and residents to try and inform bad driving/parking on roads around schools.

Dear Parents and Residents,

We are writing to you to inform we are looking into the issues of obstructive and dangerous parking on the roads around the school. The Police are working with the school staff and students, North West Leicestershire District Council and local residents to address this issue.

After receiving several complaints from concerned parents, members of the public and local residents, we have to make it clear that under no circumstances should there be any parking which causes an obstruction or is a danger to pupils attending the school.

Parking on yellow lines, double-parking, pavement parking, blocking driveways, parking on zig-zag lines and ignoring school crossing patrols ALL place children at risk and are illegal.

Drivers and children need good visibility around schools to be able to see each other.

We have also received reports of 'near misses' regarding pupils accompanied by adults being hit by cars driven by parents.

Many Safety Zones carry a 20mph speed limit helping to create awareness to drivers passing the school of the presence of a large number of young students that may step out into the roadway suddenly.

It saddens school staff that despite numerous warnings about the lack of thought demonstrated by a small minority of parents, these safety warnings about parking and driving standards are blatantly ignored.

As the local Neighbourhood Police Team, we will be observing the conduct of unsafe/illegal parking/driving and be taking the appropriate action.

We are seeking your co operation in resolving this matter and making the area around the school a safer place for all.

We look forward to your help.

Yours faithfully

NN43 Valley
Police Beat Team





NEIGHBOURHOOD LINK:

Neighbourhood Link is a community messaging service from Leicestershire Police that provides news and information about policing activity or initiatives, crime prevention advice as well as major incidents affecting your area.

Through this service you can receive messages from your local Neighbourhood Policing Team, local police or, in the event of a major incident or event affecting the whole of Leicestershire, from a partnership of agencies known as the Local Resilience Forum.

In order to receive messages you will need to register your details. This information will enable us to send you messages relevant to the areas you live and work. Anyone can register, whether you live, work or travel into Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland. Registration is free and simple to follow.

- Sign up to Neighbourhood Link <https://www.neighbourhoodlink.co.uk/>
- If you are already registered you can amend your details
- Request a reminder if you have forgotten your username or password
- You can unsubscribe from the service at any time

Neighbourhood Link is not able to receive messages and you should not use it to contact the police. In an emergency always dial 999. An emergency is when a crime is happening, someone suspected of a crime is nearby, someone is injured, being threatened or in danger.

Neighbourhood Link

If you wish to contact Leicestershire Police in other circumstances, for example to speak to local police or seek advice on police matters, you can call us by dialling 101 on your telephone.

<https://www.neighbourhoodlink.co.uk/>



BEAT TEAM CONTACTS:

We have had a 'new' member join the beat team, PCSO 6865 Mark Ball. Mark has been a PCSO for 10 years, and has worked on the Ashby, Measham and Bardon Beats before joining us from Coalville Town Beat, where a member of the Valley Beat, PCSO 6178 Nicola Russell has gone.

If you need to contact a member of your beat team and the enquiry isn't urgent then the easiest way to do this is via Email, you can either do this through the Leicestershire Police website or on the details below:

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