north west leicestershire VALLEY BEAt

Police update MAY 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**](https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/leicestershire-police/valley/?tab=CrimeMap)**-police/valley/**

**OPERATION HATCH:**

“Officers from across force have worked together on this operation in order to gather information, obtain warrants and then carry out this enforcement activity.

Investigations following these arrests will remain ongoing. This has involved a lot of commitment and dedication from all involved and my thanks go to them as well as to members of the community for working with us while the enforcement has been carried out”.

Inspector Rich Jackson, North West Leicestershire NPA Commander.

Over a 4 day period the team executed Operation Hatch which consisted of;

• 22 warrants

• 1 cannabis factory & £60,000 worth of cannabis recovered

• 16 Arrests

• Excellent community and partner feedback

• Numerous closure order applications being progressed

Arrests included:

• 41-year-old woman, of Ashby, was arrested on suspicion of fraud by false representation. She has since been charged with the offence.

• 23-year-old man and an 18-year-old man, of Leicester, were arrested in connection with a non-stop collision in Belvoir Road in Coalville on Monday 13

April. Leicestershire Police had issued previous appeals in relation to the investigation. Both men have since been charged with causing grievous bodily harm with intent. This is addition to charges for other separate offences including drugs offences.

• 28-year-old man, of Coalville, was arrested under the Proceeds of Crime Act.

He has since been released under investigation.

• 29-year-old man, of Leicester was arrested and has since been charged with two counts of conspiracy to supply class A and one count of possession to supply class B.

• 41-year-old man, of Coalville, was arrested on suspicion of sexual communication with a child. He has since been released under investigation.

• 32-year-old woman, of Coalville, was arrested on suspicion of theft. She has since been charged with two counts of theft.

• A man and a woman, both aged 63, of Coalville, have both been arrested on suspicion of drugs offences. They have since been released under investigation.

**CYBER CRIME:**

Several million cases of fraud and of computer misuse are reported to the police every year. It's staggering, but even more staggering is that so many of those crimes could have been prevented by making a few small changes in online behaviour.

To avoid becoming a victim of online crime you don’t need to be a computer expert. Developing a few good online habits drastically reduces your chances of becoming a victim of cyber-crime, makes you less vulnerable and lets you use the web safely.

Online fraud, also known as cyber-crime, covers all crimes that:

* take place online
* are committed using computers, or
* are assisted by online technology

To reduce your chances of becoming a victim:

* use a strong password or passphrase, which is at least 12 characters long and contains a mixture of letters, numbers and symbols
* never give personal or sensitive details out online or over email
* make sure all devices have up-to-date anti-virus software and a firewall installed
* keep software and apps regularly updated
* only download from legal, trusted websites
* only open emails and attachments from known and trusted sources
* look for the padlock icon in the address bar when paying for goods or services online – it means the website is trusted and secure
* check the address starts with https:// whenever you’re asked to enter sensitive information online
* avoid using public WiFi hotspots that are not secure or ask you for personal information to access it
* regularly back up your data
* control your social media accounts – regularly check your privacy settings and how your data is being used and shared
* be cautious of internet chats and online dating – there’s no guarantee you’re speaking to who you think
* be extremely cautious if you’re asked for money

**REPORT CYBER CRIME**

If you are currently being subjected to a live and ongoing cyber-attack then please contact us on 101.

If you suspect you’ve been scammed, defrauded or experienced cyber-crime, the Action Fraud team can also provide the help, support and advice you need.

Call Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 (textphone 0300 123 2050).

**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/**](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.

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/**](https://www.neighbourhoodlink.co.uk/)

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**BEAT TEAM CONTACTS:**

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:

PC 819 Steve Harrison – [steven.harrison@leicestershire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:steven.harrison@leicestershire.pnn.police.uk)

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