



NORTH WEST LEICESTERSHIRE VALLEY BEAT

POLICE UPDATE MAY 2023

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REPORTING A CRIME

Please report an incident/crime on 101 for non-emergency or 999 in an emergency.

Did you know you can report crime and incidents using our online portal.
Please visit <https://www.leics.police.uk/>
Click on REPORT.



CRIME FIGURES

(please click the link to show the latest available crime figures in the Valley Beat Area)
<https://www.police.uk/pu/your-area/leicestershire-police/valley/>

EMERGING CRIME TREND

- Theft of high value motor vehicles using electronic signal boosting devices and by theft of keys from the owner's premises (burglary).

Please use the attached hyperlink for relevant Crime Prevention Advice.

<https://www.leics.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/keeping-vehicles-safe/preventing-car-vehicle-theft/>





CAR CRUISE A453 – UPDATE

The last organised large scaled car cruise on the Valley beat occurred on Willow Road, Castle Donington and the A453 Kegworth on the evening of Sunday 14th May 2023.

CRIME PREVENTION

<https://www.leics.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/>

Summer Crime Prevention Advice

During the summer months we see a rise in the number of “Creper Burglaries” where burglars take advantage of open gates, and windows and doors left open for ventilation or that you forgot to close. If you have unoccupied rooms that are accessible to others from outside or off flat roofs make sure the windows are closed, if you need ventilation in these rooms whilst at home at least lock the larger window and only have the small window open, even during the daytime. If you only have bigger windows consider a lockable window restrictor and a small alarm sensor on the window to detect entry.

Leave any external door open door and in comes trouble, even during the day. If that door is accessible (garden gate left insecure?) an opportunist thief will pop in and anything lying around will be gone. You may have only popped next door, or down the end of the garden or having a quick shower; it only takes a second for a thief to steal. Check the simple things: -

1. Parked cars – Don't leave property on display in the car. Are the windows shut and doors locked (don't assume that by pressing the button on the remote it is locked, try the handle too)? A lot of thefts are from insecure cars and vans.
- 2- Don't leave unattended pedal cycles insecure and out the front.
- 3- Side gate shut and locked, sheds and garages secure?
- 4- Doors closed and locked? Don't forget on that with a UPVC multi-locking door you may have lifted the handle but until you turn the key or thumb turn on the inside you have not locked all the locks in place. Before going out or turning in for the night don't forget to check all doors, someone may have closed it but did they lock it?
5. Windows - lift the blinds or open the curtains and check they are closed, the sun may have been on the TV and it was hot, so they were drawn with the window open. Remember the advice above re open windows. Make sure in case of fire that keys to windows and doors are readily accessible to occupants but not in view of possible burglars.
6. If you have an intruder alarm activate when going out and activate the zone for the unoccupied area whilst in.
7. Car keys - don't take them to bed with you, where possible leave them in noisy drawer/location. Keep the keyless fob in a “Faraday” pouch/bag or even in a biscuit tin.





8. If you do hear a suspicious noise in the house that you are not happy with dial 999 and make a noise, shout out, it could cause any intruder to flee, they may not have known you were home, remember your life is more important than your property. If safe to do so get a good description of the person/s and if possible car index number and their direction of travel.

9. Stopping for lunch, a drink or a cuppa whilst out, soaking up the sun, or going down to the sea, don't drop your guard. If you don't pay attention to your camera, mobile phone, sunglasses, purse or wallet and a thief sees this they will steal it.

10. Social Media – When using "Facebook" or other social media, be wary of announcing to the world that you are away and your house is empty. Make sure your profile does not contain private information that would identify you or your address to a stranger.

Last bit of advice - Going on holiday? Cancel the milk and newspaper deliveries and look after each other, get a neighbour or friend to keep an eye on your property, ensure neighbours have contact numbers for a key holder and where possible let them park their car on your drive. If you create the illusion that your house is occupied (TV simulator, lights and radio on timers) it is less likely to be broken into.

BEAT SURGERIES 2023

Who's going	Date & Time	Location	Event title
JUNE 23			
PCSO 6178 Russell PCSO 6683 McDonald	Thursday 1 st June @ 1000am – 1115am	St Matthews Church, Church Street, Worthington, LE651RE	Church cafe
PCSO 6178 Russell PCSO 6683 McDonald	Monday 12th June @ 1030am - 12noon	Falcon Inn, Main Street, Long Whatton, LE12 5DG	Coffee morning
PCSO 6683 McDonald PCSO 6517 Gallagher	Wednesday 29th June @ 1000am - 1200pm	Bosworth Road, Castle Donington, DE74 2JN	Patch Walk with NWLDC
JULY 23			
PCSO 6178 Russell PCSO 6517 Gallagher	Wednesday 5 th July @ 1000 -1100am	St Andrews Church, Kegworth, DE74 2ED	Church cafe
PCSO 6178 Russell PCSO 6683 McDonald	Saturday 8 th July @ 1100 -1200 noon	Long Whatton Stores, Main Street, Long Whatton, LE12 5BH	Drop in session outside store
PCSO 6178 Russell PCSO 6683 McDonald	Saturday 8 th July @ 1230 – 1330pm	Diseworth Village Hall, Hallgate, Diseworth, DE74 2QJ	Beat surgery
AUGUST 23			
PCSO 6178 Russell PCSO 6683 McDonald	Sunday 6 th August 1100 -1300pm	Staunton Harold Hall, LE65 1RT	Ferrers centre
PCSO 6683 McDonald	Saturday 26 th August 1100 – 1300pm	Sawley Marina, Sawley, NG10 3AE	Drop in session at event

Please feel free to pop along to one of our a 2023 beat surgeries per the above calendar. We are happy to listen to your concerns/comments and to offer practical help and advice.





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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. 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. 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.

