

Hello and welcome to December's Beat Report for the New Forest Heart area. I am PCSO 14495 Richard Williams, one of the Beat Officers for this area, and I am based at Lyndhurst Police Station with my colleague PC 20127 Steven Norris and we are responsible for Lyndhurst and the North of the Forest.

PC 2901 Jason Eastwood and PCSO 14215 Vicki Pressey take care of the Forest south of Lyndhurst.

Following the Government's announcement that we are now in Tier 4 it is really important we continue to work together to save lives. We will continue to maintain our Covid-19 related patrols, as required, in addition to our usual work as we move into the New Year. We will engage, explain and encourage people to comply with the regulations in place, and we will enforce where blatant breaches take place.

In a Tier 4 area, the message is to stay at home unless you have a specific purpose like work, volunteering, essential shopping, education, childcare, exercise, medical reasons, to escape harm and for communal worship and funerals. Non-essential retail must close, unless for click-and-collect, drive-through or delivery. If you need to travel, the guidance is to stay local, and look to reduce the number of journeys you make overall.

You are not allowed to meet indoors – in any venue, public or private – with those you do not live with <u>however you are allowed to meet with those in your support bubble indoors</u>. You can meet one other person outside your household outdoors.

Remember, you must observe the restrictions from the highest tier that you are travelling from or to at all times and for more information about restrictions in a Tier 4 area and Government guidance, go to: <u>Tier 4: Stay at Home - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</u>

## **Beat Surgeries**

We will be holding two more of our SAFE AT HOME EVENTS in January 2021. Because of the rise in domestic abuse during the Coronavirus pandemic, we have been making ourselves available to anyone who isn't feeling safe at home. So if you, or someone you know, needs our help and it's easier to visit us in person we will be outside the BRAMSHAW STORES between 10am and 11am on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2021 and outside the CO OP in Ashurst between 1pm and 2pm on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

On two separate nights, ten outbuildings were burgled this month. Six happened in Bramshaw and Cadnam at the beginning of December and then four sheds were attacked on the same

stretch of Winsor Road a week later. Power tools including chain saws, drills and hedge cutters were stolen during another three shed breaks at Stoney Cross and from a garage at Hilltop in Beaulieu.

Four vehicles parked in Ower and Brockenhurst have had their catalytic converters stolen this month, and a further twelve cars and vans have been broken into. They were parked in Ower, Copythorne, Minstead, Ashurst, Castle Malwood Lodge in Minstead and Cadnam. And with the increase in visitors to the area over the festive period, thieves have also started to operate again in the new Forest car parks with Fritham and Puttles Bridge targeted this month.

At 4.30am on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December five people used sledgehammers to smash their way in to the Tesco express in Brockenhurst. They then stole a large sum of money before making off in a red car, possibly a Mercedes. If you have any information that might help us identify those responsible for this theft, then call us on 101 and quote the crime number 44200481001. Or you can call Crime Stoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111

Also this month drugs and tools were seized after a warrant was executed on Chapel lane in Lyndhurst and a 25 year old man from the village was arrested on suspicion of possession with intent to supply drugs and conspiracy to commit a burglary.

Other items stolen in December included a five bar gate and two gate posts from Ower, a whacker plate that was taken from a building site in Bramshaw, and a camera from a bag in a pub in Brockenhurst. Two people have been identified and are being dealt with by police after criminal damage was caused to the Lyndhurst Football Club clubhouse and their CCTV system in the village.

Don't forget you can contact any of us on the New Forest Heart Police team on the details below but please use 999, 101 or the on line reporting page on the Hampshire Police website to record crimes or incidents of anti-social behaviour

For Lyndhurst and the north of the Forest its <u>steven.norris@hampshire.pnn.police.uk</u> 07554 775477 <u>richard.williams@hampshire.pnn.police.uk</u> 07554 775469

And for the Forest south of Lyndhurst its jason.eastwood@hampshire.pnn.police.uk 07979 707939 vicki.pressey@hampshire.pnn.police.uk 07785 500952

Stay safe everyone and all of us on the New Forest Heart Cops team wish you a very Happy New Year.

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