

NEW FOREST HEART

Monthly Beat Report – March 2021

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Once again, at the time of writing, we are still under COVID-19 restrictions. The best way to keep up to date with all the latest news on the Government's roadmap out of lockdown is to read the latest on their website (www.gov.uk). Thank you Several fines were issued to those breaking the COVID-19 regulations in March. They included a family of four who had driven to Boltons Bench from Dorset, a professional hairdresser who was still working from home in Woodlands, a man who had driven from Dorset to Hythe to visit his family and another two familes who had driven from Poole to go for a walk at Denny Wood and the Canadian War Memorial.

Beat Surgeries

We will be holding two more of our SAFE AT HOME EVENTS in April 2021. If you, or someone you know, needs our help and it is easier to visit us in person we will be outside the COMMUITY CENTRE in LYDHURST at 3pm on Tuesday 6th April 2021 and outside the CO OP in ASHURST at 10am on Wednesday 21st April 2021

Seven sheds, garages and outbuildings were broken into during March with Bramshaw, Lyndhurst, Bartley, Fletchwood Lane and Emery Down the areas targeted. A man has been arrested and charged with stealing a Quad bike from a house in Ashurst. The Quad bike has also been returned to the owner. Thirteen vehicles were broken into last month, with the two car parks targeted being Wilverly Inclosure and the one attached to the Premier Inn at Ower where three vans were attacked on the same night. Other vehicles that had various items stolen, including two catalytic converters and a spare wheel, were parked on the roadside in Bartley, Minstead, Brockenhurst, Lyndhurst, Cadnam and Ashurst. After receiving reports of a man attempting to get undressed and acting suspiciously in the woods between Ashurst and Lyndhurst, just after 8.30am on Tuesday 16th March we detained a 49 year old man from Bournemouth and he has been reported for summons to court for being in possession of an offensive weapon.

In other incidents, criminal damage was caused to the back window of a car parked in Bartley, probably by a catapult, six people have been found smoking cannabis in Ashurst and Brockenhurst, the kebab van in the layby at Bartley crossroads was broken into and garden furniture was taken from a house in Lyndhurst. Also in Lyndhurst a leaf blower was stolen from outside the fire station while work was being carried in the garden at the back, and a fire fighter has his car window smashed outside another New Forest station while he was on a job. A tender was also stolen in March from a boat in Beaulieu, and two bus shelters in Lyndhurst were deliberately damaged and investigations to identify those responsible are still active.



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