

<u>Sitlington SAFE Scheme Police Report – April 2019</u>

		Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
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Crime 2018-19	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Burglary Residential	1		2	3	2	2	2	1	2			3
Burglary												
Business/community					1		1					
Theft from Vehicle	1		1		1	1	2		1			2
Theft of Vehicle		1				1			1			
Damage	3	3	3		1	1	4	2	1	2	3	3
Other Crime	20	8	15	15	25	18	13	25	12	9	16	7

Crime 2019-20	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Burglary Residential	3											
Burglary												
Business/community												
Theft from Vehicle	1											
Theft of Vehicle												
Damage	1											
Other Crime	3											

ASB 2018-19	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar
Youths			1	1			2		1		1	2
Vehicle/Motorcycles		1			1				2			
Litter/Drugs Paraphernalia												
Alcohol				1								
Suspicious Incidents				1	1							
Fly Tipping	4	9										

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Youths												
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Alcohol												
Suspicious Incidents	1											
Fly Tipping												

Priorities for this month were;

- Netherton Village Hall vehicles parking at the rear, littering, drug use, ASB.
- Emroyd Common
- Speeding New Rd, Middlestown, Old Rd, Overton, Midgley and Netherton Lane, Netherton.

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Report

Patrols:

PC 2639 REPORTS - High visibility SAFE SCHEME patrols between 1500x1800hrs on 2/4/19. Particular attention was paid to the following areas:

All areas of the parish were covered in attempt to locate speeding vehicles, but none were found. Netherton Village Hall where there were no issues. There were a number of children utilising the grassed area within the park to play football; all of whom were polite & friendly. No vehicles present Netherton Cricket (Social) Club - no youths present. Spoke with local dog walkers, explaining SAFE SCHEME. All were pleased to see Officers.

PC 1845 Reports

Safe scheme carried out between the hours of 15:00 and 19:00 15/04 in company with PC 2639 Gallagher.

Officer's asked to work together to carryout patrols in Emroyd Common woods after recent incidents reported to Parish council from local resident. Officers spoke to reporting resident who identified her areas of concern and where the main problems were within the woods.

Officers patrolled these areas and spoke to a number of children at the cycle track. The children were all good kids and spent time engaging with officers even pointing out where dens were located stating that children from the Thornhill area had made the dens spending time drinking and causing general nuisance in the woods.

Officers attended one den this will be reported to Wakefield Council cleansing team to see if they can assist with its destruction.

A full 3 hours was spent on the woods and areas identified of fire locations and trees chopped down. Many local residents spoken to and some stating that the forest commission are carrying out work in the woods (this needs clarifying)

Patrols will be carried out between the same hours over the coming weeks to see if any offences and offenders can be identified and dealt with in a bid to nip the issues in the bud prior to any more upset being caused.

PC 2639 REPORTS - High visibility safe scheme patrols carried out between 1500x1900hrs on 16.4.19 along with PC 1845.

Particular attention paid to Emroyd Common after recent incidents reported to Parish council from local resident(s).

Whilst on foot in the woods, Officers spoke to various small groups of children, some at the cycle track who were polite & engaging. We reminded the youths that the common was for all people & to take care to be considerate whilst they were using the bikes as there are lots of other residents using the common on foot.

When asked about recent digging on/near the track, fires being set & trees being cut down, they believed older kids to be responsible & not to have witnessed any of this - Advised them to tell other users that this type of behaviour would not be looked upon favourably by the Parish Council & could lead to the area being filled in to prevent them using it.

Also present was an adult male with his young child who agreed to keep an eye on the area & report to the Parish Council should he deem it necessary. He did mention that he had seen an adult male recently, whom he believed to be from the forestry commission, burning piles of leaves in the woods recently. Further patrols conducted around Netherton Village Hall, but no youths nor vehicles present.



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PC 2639 REPORTS - Officers (2639 & 1845) conducted high visibility foot patrols in EMROYD COMMON between 1500x1900 on 23/4/19 following specific direction regarding the on-going issues within. Officers spoke with several dog walkers, a horserider & a number of locals youths on mountain bikes. No issues were raised & no calls for service whilst there. We spoke to the youths, who we have met before, who were polite & happy to engage with officers. They explained that they are sticking to the central part of the wood on their bikes (where the track is) & have been telling other youths that littering & digging new jumps etc could lead to them losing the site.

PC 1845 Blore reports

After information received from local youths that there was going to be a sleep over in Emroyd Common on Friday 26/04/2019 PC 1845 Blore and PC 2639 Gallagher carried out Safe scheme patrols on Saturday between the hours of 08:00 x 12:00 in a bid to locate any possible youth staying in the common.

There are a number of dens in the common however on checking these while patrolling there was no evidence that any person had stayed the night. Officer feel that due to the change of weather conditions this is why the sleep over didn't take place.

Officers spent time patrolling the woods and located a separate area which has recently had parts dug up and a new bike track being made. Officers have utilised large tree logs in a bid to prevent this track being used and developed blocking the access points for bikes due to the track going across the main pathway making it possibly dangerous. The logs have been placed there for two reasons to prevent the track being used and to see if the logs are moved which will indicate that the track is back in use.

Officers understand that a compromise is required so all persons can use the common however some of the bikers are taking the track making too far and need to be happy with the track they have rather than trying to extend it which in the long run will cause upset for the other users of the park. It was also noted that along the new track a number of trees have been identified with Pink and Blue spray paint as though they have been identified for chopping down. Officers would like to attend the next parish council meeting to discuss what actions can be taken and whether some of the work is being carried out by the Parish council.

There were no other issues while patrolling a number of residents were spoken to and were happy to see officers and speak to officers in order to air any concerns and issues.

Crime

Middlestown

There were Four reported crimes in Middlestown;

- On the 2nd April a property on Sandy Lane was entered by snapping the locks on the patio doors and once inside, offenders have stolen various personal belongings.
- Also on the 2nd April a property was attacked on Water Lane. The offender has attempted to prise open a window using a blunt instrument but they were disturbed.
- On the 3rd April a damage took place on New Rd where a resident had concrete poured down his drain.
- The other crime relates to a domestic assault.

Midgley

There was one assault reported in Midgley for April.

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Netherton

There were three reported crimes in Netherton;

- On the 10th April a delivery driver delivering to a property on Upper Lane had their wallet stolen from the dashboard having left the vehicle insecure.
- On the 16th April a back door was smashed on a property on Netherton Lane but this woke the neighbours who came down and disturbed the offenders who made good their escape.
- The other crime relates to an assault which was domestic related.

Overton

There were no reported crimes in Overton in April.

New Hall Prison

There were 4 reported offences from New Hall Prison. Three assaults and one drugs.

PLEASE NOTE PRISON CRIMES ARE NOT ADDED TO THE CRIME TOTAL FOR THE MONTH

Anti-Social Behaviour

There were two calls for service for ASB related incidents in the parish, both being in Middlestown. A neighbour issue took place on the 1st April on Cross Rd and on the 8th April, drugs use was reported on Ridge Rd but no one was found.

Police Contact Details

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