

#### PC BEN ORTON 425

I am the new beat manager for the North of Rutland. The legendary PC Laurie Appleton has finally "hung up" his enormous Helmet taking on a new role within the police recruitment team at FHQ. Yes, the future of policing is now in Laurie's hands!

I will continue to stay in touch with Laurie as his knowledge of the beat is irreplaceable.

I will also continue to work alongside the existing beat team PCSO Di Freeman 6516 and Police Sergeant Paul Kear 923.

Over time I intend to meet as many communities as I can to ensure the passing of PC Laurie is as seamless as possible and all community partnerships continue to work together to resolve their issues.

Kind regards PC Ben Orton 425 Oakham Police station

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# RUTLAND NORTH BEAT

January crimes 2023

#### THEFT

#### **Burglary Business**

- STRETTON. Suspect enters an insecure workshop on farm land and a thermal rifle scope is stolen

#### **Burglary Residential.**

RYHALL – Known suspect enters property and damages property.

#### Theft

- STRETTON. Actionfraud. Victim receives call from male impersonating a police officer and hands thousands of pounds over to courier.
- WHISSENDINE Actionfraud. Victim receives call from male impersonating a police officer and hands thousands of pounds over to courier.

#### **VEHICLE CRIME**

#### Theft from Motor vehicle

- OP BARRIC. EMPINGHAM A1. Fuel stolen from HGV.
- OP BARRIC, EMPINGHAM A1, Goods stolen from trailer.
- STRETTON. Fuel stolen form diggers.

#### **OFFECNES AGAINST PERSON**

#### **Assaults**

- GREAT CASTERTON, Reports of organized fights with students.

#### **Public Order**

- COTTESMORE. Verbal abuse from neighbour.

#### **CRIMINAL DAMAGE**

- WHISSENDINE. Vehicle damaged.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### Dog causing injury

- EXTON PARK. Victim is thrown from her horse when a dog grabs the horse's tail.



There have been several fraud related thefts where thousands of pounds have been handed over to couriers.

It's easy to get caught out by a fraudster, even in the comfort of your own home. A fraudster may phone you claiming to be a police officer or an official from your bank. The Caller may sound very genuine. The police or your bank will **NEVER** ask for your **PIN** or password details to transfer funds or withdraw cash/valuables for someone to collect.

#### Beware that fraudsters might target you in one of the following ways:

- Phone calls out of the blue.
- Claims to be your bank or police.
- Advise you of an issue with your banking.
- Sends a courier to collect cash/valuables.

Action Fraud Is the UK's national reporting Centre for fraud and cybercrime. You should contact them if you believe you have been scammed or defrauded.

You can make a report and also find help and support at

# ActionFraud actionfraud.police.uk

Tele: 0300 123 20 40

There has also been a concerning amount of reports of "door to door" sales persons visiting rural villages using aggressive sales tactics.

## SAY NO! TO ROGUE TRADERS

Beware Rogue Traders use a range of techniques to encourage you to hand over your cash

- Beware of people who say things like:
  - "If you pay cash now I can give you a special discount..."

"I've been working at other properties in the area..."

"I was just passing and noticed your guttering and tiles are lose..."

STOP doorstep callers by displaying a sign in your door or window.

### "NO UNINVITED TRADERS - NO COLD CALLERS"

Protect yourself and you're your community.

Report any doorstep incidents to:

Citizens Advice: 03454 04 05 06 If you feel afraid or threatened call the police on 999.

#### **NEIGHBOURHOOD LINK**

We continue to encourage local residents to have their say through Neighborhood Link surveys and keep all residents that have signed up to this aware of issues happening in Rutland.



#### **BEAT SURGERY/EVENTS**

PCSO 6516 Di Freeman will be holding Beat Surgery's dates TBC.

If you would like to speak to Di about any Policing issues or concerns please come down and join her.

#### **BEAT PRIORITIES**

#### Speeding.

Through consultation with our community we have identified that Speeding vehicles on Rutland roads is a priority our communities want us to address, specifically the lack of adherence to 30mph zones.

#### Fraud

Through consultation with our community we have highlighted the priority of "Fraud" that residents are concerned about. This means online fraud, internet security together with rogue traders visiting private addresses to conduct work.

#### Rural Crime.

Through consultation with our communities we have highlighted Rural Crime as a priority to be addressed.

