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|  |  | Rutland NoRth Beat  Crime and policing report 1/12/23  November’s Crime |
| |  | | --- | | PC Ben ORTON 425 I am the beat manager for the North of Rutland.  This month Leicestershire and Rutland Police Constabulary, say goodbye to one of its finest, PSCO Di Freeman.    Di has over 20yrs service in the police and after much deliberation decided to retire so to pursue her dream job in dog grooming.  It’s fair to say Di is well-known all-over Rutland and she will be missed by many.  Taking over from Di is PCSO Lauren Lyall 6557.    Lauren has plenty of experience in Rural policing as she is also the Oakham Town beat PCSO.  Lauren is very enthusiastic and eagerly awaiting some Rural patrols so if you see her around please welcome her and say hello.  As we approach the festive period, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a safe, happy and healthy Christmas and wish you well for 2024.  I am looking forward to getting out and about again next year, and hope to meet as many of you as possible, its only by listening and engaging with you that I can do my job effectively.  PC Ben Orton 425  Oakham Police station  [www.leics.police.uk](http://www.leics.police.uk) | |  | VehICLE Crime  * COTTESMORE, Theft from vehicles x4 * Jubilee Gardens, Heath Drive, The Pastures, Ashwell Road, items stolen from vehicles overnight, no signs of damage. * GREETHAM, Theft from Motor vehicle, items stolen no signs of damage. * GREAT CASTERTON Theft from vehicle, broken into and items stolen. * HAMBLETON - Vehicles stolen from hire company (Not returned).  Theft **Burglary Business**   * RYHALL, Unknown persons break padlock and gain entry to shed and cabinet taking two chainsaws, a wood chipper, log splitter and other hand tools.   **Burglary Dwelling**   * RYHALL, suspects force entry by smashing French door at rear of property untidy search exit as entry. |

## Current Crime trends

There has been a significant increase (crime wave) of thefts from motor vehicles. Suspects are entering vehicles either left insecure or using keyless signal blockers/jammers to gain entry, complete and untidy search and steal property.

Also, car thefts (particularly Land Rovers) are still on the increase and suspects are believed to be using similar keyless signal blockers/jammers to steal motor vehicles.

Therefore, Police are advising all car owners to take valuables out of their vehicles when left unattended. All “keyless” type keys stored away from front doors/driveways etc and Ideally placed inside a Faraday pouch (car key signal blocking pouch). These pouches prevent your keys from being cloned/scanned.

Also, with the evenings drawing in and becoming darker sooner, homes are vulnerable. If you have planned holidays or away from your home for extended periods of time consider a few simple steps to prevent your home being targeted.

- Timer switches for lights/radios. These are good deterrents as they give the impression someone is home.

- Close curtains/blinds to the front restricting views from the street.

- Lock Gates.

- Keep valuables out of sight and consider storing them in a safe or use safe tins/books. These are relatively cheap

and very effective.

- Window/door alarms. These are simple battery-operated vibration trigger devices, which are stuck to windows.

If any of these items are of interest, or you require further information please get in touch.

## Rural POLICING

* **OP GALILEO -** Policing Operation designed to target offenders involved in Hare coursing and bring them to justice.
* **OP VITALITY** – Policing Operation set up to help reduce rural criminality within Melton and Rutland.
* **OP BARRIC** – Policing operation to target curtain side trailer thefts (HGVs parked overnight on A1).

Officers will provide a visible presence to the rural community. Active stop checks are being completed on vehicles moving around these locations 24/7.

**NEIGHBOURHOOD LINK**

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



## Beat surgery/events

PCSO 6557 Lauren LYHALLl be holding a Beat surgery,

* 9th December, 10am – miday, Stretton Village hub.

## Beat PRIORITIES

**Road Safety.**  
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.

**Rural Crime/thefts**.

Through consultation with our community we have identified that Farm thefts is a priority. To help reduce rural criminality within Melton and Rutland Police Officers will provide a visible presence during the hours of darkness to the rural community.

**Motorcycle nuisance**

Through consultation with our communities we have highlighted Motorcycle nuisance/safety as a priority to be addressed.

