

Heysham Beat News

The Community Police Newsletter for residents of Heysham, Overton & Middleton.

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Heysham Incidents January 2009

A look at some of the incidents reported to the Police – can you help?

Between 19:00 4th and 16:00 5th January access to a property on Bailey Lane was gained by forcing a side door which gave led to a lean to with a kitchen window which was smashed. The key had been left in the kitchen door which was then opened. The offender left blood at the scene by the broken window, CSI have taken samples. Enquiries are ongoing.

A petrol station on Oxcliffe Road was targeted by burglars overnight 6/7 January. By scaling the roof and accessing the shop part of the premises via the ceiling, bodily force was then used to open the cigarette area. Cigarettes were then taken. At no point did the offenders make contact with the floor of the premises.

Three vehicles at a Heysham business park had their fuel siphoned overnight 6/7 January 2009. Aprox £1200 worth of fuel was taken.

The rear window was smashed and deep scratch marks made to a Ford Fiesta parked on Meldon Road overnight 8/9 January 2009.

Between 14:45 and 15:25 on 14/1/09 two offenders approached a property on Banks Crescent on a motorbike. After ascertaining no one was home they gained access via an insecure rear window. Property including a laptop computer and mobile phone was taken. Names have been given to the police and enquiries are continuing.

A black 32" Samsung TV was taken from a caravan at Ocean edge caravan site between 14:00 24/01/09 and 08:15 26/01/09.

A Kawasaki trials style motorbike was taken from a shed on Kingsway during the early hours of 26/01/09. This bike is not for road use and therefore has no registration number.

A burglary occurred on Lister Grove sometime between 19/01/09 and 27/01/09. The offender gained entry via a gap in a car port and a side window. It is believed nothing was taken from the property.

Heysham Neighbourhood Watch Evening 23rd February

The Youth and Community Centre at Douglas Park will host a Neighbourhood Watch evening on Monday 23rd February between 7 and 9pm. All residents of Heysham, Middleton and Overton are invited to attend. Longlands Lane Neighbourhood Watch scheme has just been reformed. Other dormant watches require co-ordinators. Perhaps you would like to volunteer. Come along and find out what it entails and what Neighbourhood Watch can do for your road.



Police Advice

Post Code Your Property

Take time out to postcode items you may have received this Christmas, such as electrical items, MP3 players, mobile phones, pedal cycles etc.

- Property which is identifiable is far less likely to be stolen.

Marking property also deters thieves, identifiable property is dangerous to handle and difficult to dispose of.

- Mark items using an ultra violet marking pen – this will leave an invisible mark that can only be seen with an ultra-violet light
- engraving or etching is suitable for many hard surfaces and can be done by using an electronic engraving tool or a hand engraver - this method leaves a visible and permanent mark
- Photograph jewellery and other precious items, preferably in colour, but remember to provide an indicator of the size and use a plain background if possible

Use your house number and postcode, it is as simple as that. It is also advisable to take note of serial numbers as they may be vital in identifying an item of property.

Vehicle crime

DVLA were in the district a couple of weeks ago and compiled a list of vehicles not displaying a current tax disc. They also have

an email address for people to report to report unlicensed vehicles.

Please note:

It is also an offence to display a new tax disc early.

www.nodiscbigrisknorth@ncpservices.co.uk

Tel 07720995210.. The email address is looked at everyday.

ZIG-ZAGS

In the interests of children who attend our primary schools, whose safety is being put at risk, by a minority of parents in vehicles when dropping off or collecting their children, schools are being asked to assist in compiling details of vehicles which they consider to be dangerously/zig-zag parked. Each month these lists will be given to the neighbourhood policing team. Persistent offenders will be dealt with appropriately.

Heysham (Combermere Road) Clean Sweep 09/02/08 – 06/03/08

A combined operation involving a number of local agencies will take place on the Combermere Estate between 09/02/08 and 06/03/08.

An environmental audit of the area will be carried out on Tuesday 10th February between 10:00 and 12:00 and again in the evening of Thursday 12th February between 5 and 7pm.

County and Ward Councillors, and members of the Police, Revenue Services, Fire and Rescue, Environmental Services, Probation Service, Youth Offending Team, Magistrates Court will be amongst those participating in other activities.

The area will be given a deep clean on 05/03/08 and a follow up environmental audit will take place on Wednesday 18th March.

Road safety pictures of the month.

The aftermath of a road traffic incident.



Quite often this is all we see. What are the consequences?

Apart from the tragic loss of life. One casualty said they endured a lengthy stay in hospital with painful treatment, flashbacks, a loss of earnings and he will be taking prescribed drugs for the rest of his life. Makes you think. doesn't it.

PACT Meetings

Please note. PACT meetings will now be held on the first Monday of the month. Next meeting Monday 2nd March, 7pm Youth & Community Centre, Douglas Park.

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Graeme collates the information for PACT meetings and produces Heysham Beat News.

Thanks to Inspector Steven Wade and his team from the Civil Nuclear Constabulary from their base at the Power Station for their presence in the area.



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Time/Date: 7pm Wednesday 4th February 2009 Venue: Douglas Park Youth and Community Centre

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Date	Priority*	Actions**	Actions Allocated to***	Result
04/02/09	CLEAN SWEEP – Including Combermere Estate, Lea Lane and St Mildreds Way.	Over a 4 week period various actions will be undertaken by the different agencies involved. Specific actions will be decided during the first week through the EVA's. This will hopefully result in this specific area feeling reassured and more confident in the Police and Partner agencies.	P.C. Neil Tomlinson, P.C.S.O John Brayshaw, P.C.S.O Belinda Steadman and P.C.S.O Linda Willis. CNC, Council and Parkwise will complete actions.	
04/02/09	KINGSWAY – Including Kingsdale Avenue.	Due to recent reports of youths throwing Eggs and Stones to both houses and passing Vehicles a High Vis presence will be maintained and any youths will be disrupted and dealt with accordingly, ie; YRS, STOP's, Fixed Penalty and RJ.	P.C. Neil Tomlinson, P.C.S.O John Brayshaw, P.C.S.O Belinda Steadman and P.C.S.O Linda Willis.	
04/02/09	WHEELIE BINS – Including Kingsway and Combermere.	Due to the recent speight of wheelie bin fires Councillor Fallon is looking in to stickers which can be given to Disabled or Elderly residents who struggle to put there bins out early in the morning, hopefully preventing the bins being set alight overnight prior to collection.	Councillor Karen Fallon	

* This must include specific details including - **What** exactly is the problem? **Where** is it? **What** time is it occurring? **Who** is doing it? (If known)

** Details of what police and/or partners are doing to resolve the problem.

*** Where partners, other than police, have responsibility include a named individual where possible