

Heysham South, Middleton & Overton. January 2010

December 09

Incidents reported during the month.

Can you help the police with their enquiries?

A white Honda Scooter, Registration H510XAM, was taken between 18:00 02/12/2009 and 07:30 04/12/2009, from Ocean Edge Leisure Park.

Damage to 40 shrink wrapped bales of hay occurred between 17:00 04/12/2009 and 10:30 08/12/2009 at a livery yard in Middleton.

Two panels of glass were smashed at a bus shelter on Rothesay Road, Heysham, between 07/12/2009 and 08/12/2009.

A child's BMX pedal cycle was taken from Tarnbrook Road, Heysham at 15:20 on 16/12/09. An offender was challenged but made off in the direction of the West End.

Panes of glass in a greenhouse on Main Street, Heysham were damaged between 18:00 and 18:30 on 28/12/09.

An attempt was made to take a motor vehicle from outside the registered keepers address on Dalesview Crescent, Heysham, between 19:00 and 09:00 28/12/2009.

Fence panels were damaged at a property on Heysham Hall Grove, Heysham, at 21:45 on 27/12/2009.

Whilst the occupiers were away, a burglary at an address on McDonald Road, Heysham netted an Old Style X box game system. The offence occurred between 01:00 12/12/09 and 08:00 30/12/2009. Entry was gained by the offender/s damaging the rear door.

Our Community in December

Parking outside Schools

Parking outside school premises in our area; St Helens, Overton, St Peters, School Road, Heysham, and Trumacar Primary, was monitored during December. In general parking was considerate but a number of drivers were given advice about their choice of

parking slot, particularly where they obscured the vision of other drivers at Junctions. If you are required to move on it is for the safety of our young people.

PCSO Linda Willis held a community engagement meeting in the Memorial Hall, Overton on 4th December.

Linda also attended the prizegiving ceremony at St Helens on 17th December. She assisted in giving out certificates to the pupils.

PCSO Emma Bond attended Trumacar youth club on 9th December.

PCSO Chris Dyson held a crime prevention talk at Heysham Library on 14th December. Members of the local Galloways group and WRVS attended.

Citizens advice warning re-benefits advice company... A CAB advisor writes..

I visited a service user yesterday who stated that they had contacted a company offering free benefits advice. The company visited, completed DLA, Inc. benefit and carers allowance forms on behalf of the client. The company work on the basis that they are paid 45% of any backpay that the client receives from the DWP. My client ended up paying the company £1500! The company have no official address, just a PO box in Preston.

Although I am not sure about the legality of this and intend to raise it with our Welfare Rights service and the DWP, I think all staff should be aware of the company. They have a website www.benefitanswers.co.uk

Their website also asks for contact from clients going through the benefits appeals procedure which would indicate that they are likely to receive a high amount of back pay and are therefore vulnerable to end up giving almost half of it to this company. It does leave a rather uncomfortable feeling all round.

I would be grateful to know if anyone else has come across this company who seem to have no geographical limits and get out to see clients who contact them very quickly!

If you have had contact with this company please contact the local CAB.

Warning over alarm company claiming to be working with police

RESIDENTS are being warned about an alarm company currently cold calling in the Lancaster and Morecambe area.

Sales staff are contacting householders by telephone and falsely claiming to be working with the police, while offering numerous free gifts such as security marking pens. The company are then using high pressure tactics to make arrangements for their sales teams and installers to call at the address.

Jan Brown, crime prevention officer for the Lancaster and Morecambe district, said: “If anyone is approached by this company, they must not feel pressured into agreeing to business on their doorstep.

“Often what may seem like a bargain at the time can be found cheaper from alternative retailers and advice is available from the crime prevention office who can supply information about choosing a domestic intruder alarm for your home.

“Lancashire Police will provide crime prevention advice and security marking pens free of charge and these are available from the main police stations in the area

“The crime prevention office at Morecambe police station also offers free crime prevention advice about any issue and we would encourage people to come and talk to us if they need any advice.”

For further advice, you can either visit or call the Crime Prevention team on 01524 596988 or Consumer Direct on 08454 040506.



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.

- For more information about the Policing Pledge and crime and justice in your area visit www.lancashire.police.uk or direct.gov.uk/policingpledge





**My Car is my pride and
joy.**

**I know it's safe this winter
because I**

- **Always lock it**
- **Keep my keys out of
sight**
- **Remove items on view**
- **Stay with it when
defrosting it whilst the
engine is running.**

December's Heysham South PACT meeting was held at the Youth & Community Centre, Douglas Park on 4th January 2010.

Next PACT meeting: Monday 1st February 2010. Venue: Youth & Community Centre, Douglas Park.

Date	This month's priority	Update on last month's Priority
4/01/10	No priority set. The Heysham Neighbourhood Policing team will be vigilant in all areas during the month of January.	There was no overall priority. The Neighbourhood team were visible throughout the month.

Heysham South Neighbourhood Policing Team

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