

# Warwickshire Police

## Rugby Rural Central Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT)

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Long Lawford – Church Lawford - Wolston – Binley Woods – Brandon  
Bretford – Ryton on Dunsmore – Kings Newnham – Little Lawford

Welcome to the February edition of the Rugby Rural Centrals team newsletter. Below you can find out what the team have been up to during the month of January 2017. Even though crime is low in the Rugby Rural Central area are we still working hard to reduce this even further. The team remain proactive and believe that prevention by visibly patrolling the area is better than responding to crimes that have occurred. Examples of this include the utilisation of ANPR, community events and working with partner agencies.

### Rugby Rural Central Team



#### **PC Mike Stamp**

Beat manager for  
Rugby Rural Central



#### **PCSO Charlie Cawte**

PCSO for  
Binley Woods, Bretford,  
Brandon and Wolston



#### **PCSO Matt Havelock**

PCSO for  
Ryton on Dunsmore,  
Kings Newnham, Church  
Lawford, Little Lawford and  
Long Lawford



## **Crime Overview**

This section looks at the crimes of public interest that have occurred on the Rugby Rural Central Safer Neighbourhood Team policing area. Below is a brief summary of some of the incidents that have been reported to us in the month of January:

**Anti Social Behaviour** – There have been 6 separate reports of ASB in the Rugby Rural Central area.

- Incident 371 of the 5<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – Craven Avenue, Binley Woods – Report that informant has just be awoken by speeding motorbikes.
- Incident 188 of the 6<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – Redhill Road, Long Lawford – Report that unknown males are riding around the street on a motorbike.
- Incident 34 of the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – London Road, Ryton on Dunsmore – Report that unknown males are refusing to leave and staff require police assistance.
- Incident 314 of the 11<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – Holbrook Road, Long Lawford - Report that known offender is outside shouting at the informant and causing damage to the informants property
- Incident 373 of the 21<sup>st</sup> January 2017 – Boyce Way, Long Lawford – Report that unknown persons have been knocking the informants door at night and running away over the period of the previous week.
- Incident 375 of the 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2017 – Round Avenue, Long Lawford – Report that an unknown drunk male is making a disturbance outside the address.

**Burglaries (Dwelling)** – There have been 2 reports of Burglary Dwelling in the Rugby Central area.

- Incident 199 of the 13<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – Bretford Road, Brandon – Report that unknown offenders have force entry in to a secure property and stolen items from within.
- Incident 352 of the 25<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – Rugby Road, Brandon – Report that sometime during the day unknown offenders have gained entry to the rear of the property and stolen items from within.

**Burglaries (Non Dwelling)** – There have been no reports of Burglary (Non Dwelling) in the Rugby Rural Central Area.

**Criminal Damage** – There have been 7 reports of Criminal Damage in the Rugby Rural Central Area.

- Incident 336 of the 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2017 – Redhill Road, Long Lawford – Informant reporting that unknown persons have smashed a rear window between 24<sup>th</sup> December 2016 and the 02<sup>nd</sup> January 2017.
- Incident 284 of the 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – Holbrook Road, Long Lawford – report that four people have been seen outside the property throwing stones at the property and causing damage.
- Incident 123 of the 7<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – Windrush Way, Long Lawford – Report that sometime overnight unknown offender has super glued the lock to the informant's property.
- Incident 362 of the 12<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – Ashman Avenue, Long Lawford - Report that unknown offender has slashed all four tyres to the informants car sometime overnight.
- Incident 151 of the 17<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – Brandon Lane, Wolston – Report that two motorbikes have been on the informant's property and ridden of towards Wolston village.
- Incident 104 of the 26<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – Kings Newnham Lane, Church Lawford – Report that a planter has been damage outside the property.
- Incident 216 of the 28<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – Woodlands Road, Binley Woods – report that a car has been scratched outside the informant's property.

**Vehicle Crime** – There have been 9 separate reports of vehicle crime.

- Incident 358 of the 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2017 – Abbotts Walk, Wolston – Report that sometime between 4:30 pm and 8pm unknown offenders have removed number plates from an unattended secure vehicle.
- Incident 35 of the 5<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – Heather Road, Binley Woods – Report that whilst the car was left defrosting, unknown offenders have stolen an unattended vehicle. Two males are currently on Police bail and car has been recovered.
- Incident 49 of the 5<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – Earls Walk, Binley Woods – Report that unknown offenders have broken into a parked secure van by forcing the locks, no tools have been stolen.
- Incident 132 of the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – School Street, Wolston – Report that unknown persons have stolen a spare wheel sometime overnight to a parked secure vehicle.

- Incident 190 of the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – Briars Close, Long Lawford – Report that sometime overnight unknown offenders have stolen front and rear number plates from a secure unattended vehicle.
- Incident 208 of the 8<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – St Margaret’s Avenue, Wolston – Report that unknown offenders broken into a secure vehicle and stolen tools and electrical items.
- Incident 60 of the 19<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – Stretton Road, Wolston – Report that unknown persons have removed both number plates from a secure park unattended vehicle.
- Incident 45 of the 25<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – Bennett Court, Wolston – Report that unknown persons have removed both number plates from a secure park unattended vehicle.
- Incident 146 of the 25<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – Manor Estate, Wolston – Report that unknown persons have removed both number plates from a secure park unattended vehicle.

**Theft** – There have been no reports of Theft in the Rugby Rural Central Area.

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### **Our team Priorities**

New Policing priorities have been set for the Rugby Rural Central Team at November’s Community Forum. The three priorities set are;

- Utilisation of ANPR Technology in Binley Woods.
- Speed Checks – Leamington Road Ryton on Dunsmore.
- Anti Social Behaviour patrols in Wolston

The next community forum is on the 16<sup>th</sup> February and will be at the Binley Woods village hall from 7pm. Please click the link below to vote on our next Policing priorities.

<https://www.warwickshire.police.uk/article/3275/Team-Priorities?actionaction=submitPoll&pollid=514>

Although these are currently the main SNT priorities, we will continue to monitor any issues that have been raised previously.

## Appeals News and Updates/Information and Advice



### How to prevent number plate theft

With a report of number plate theft in the area we have decided that we should make you aware of how you can  
'Secure your plates, and protect your identity'

Your car number plate is unique and is linked to the registered keeper of the vehicle. If your plates are stolen and used, thieves are stealing your identity. Being a victim of number plate theft is serious and you need to report it. The plates could be used to commit criminal offences and the police could be knocking at your door. Criminals use stolen plates for a whole host of reasons and sometimes in very serious crimes.

To avoid becoming a victim of number plate theft, we recommend taking the following actions:

- Park in a well lit area and use car parks that are accredited to the Secure Car Park Scheme.
- Fit non-returnable screws to your number plate, or another fixing device such as an epoxy adhesive. These are available from car parts supply shops and some DIY stores. \*please see attached picture
- Purchase theft resistant number plates from a reputable dealer and ensure they adhere to British Standard BSAU 145d.



For further information please contact a member of the Rugby Rural Central Team on the below contact details.

### Keep your Van secure!

The theft of Lorries, vans, the fuel of their content can be extremely costly to businesses. Follow these simple tips to minimise the risk.

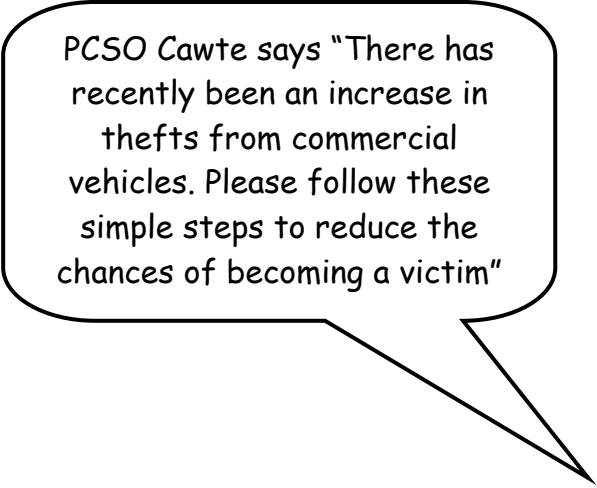


### HELP STOP THIEVES - KEEP YOUR LORRY OR VAN SECURE

To report vehicle crime contact Warwickshire Police and West Mercia Police by calling 101. Alternatively, you can give information anonymously by calling Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or by visiting their website [www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org).

**If a crime is in progress please call 999.**

- Remove the keys and lock the doors when ever the vehicle is left unattended, even for just a minute.
- Drive with the doors locked in order to deter thieves who may try and enter the vehicle when it is stationary.
- When parking overnight try to use approved locations if possible. Avoid dark, isolated places. If you can, park in a way that prevents access to the rear doors.
- Try to travel in convoy with other trusted drivers when delivering high value or vulnerable loads.
- Beware if anyone asks you to stop. Thieves may try to distract you by claiming to have had a puncture, have been in an accident or by asking for help.
- Don't talk to others about what you're doing, where you're going or what you are carrying.
- When returning to an unattended vehicle, always check for signs of tampering with doors, seals, straps or sheets.
- Don't offer lifts in your vehicle.
- Vary your routine so thieves can't predict when you will stop.
- Keep your keys in a safe place.
- Don't have anything on the key ring, which makes it obvious which vehicle the keys are for.
- When tools and equipment are not being used, insure they are kept in a secure lockable store rather than in your vehicle.
- Keep a list of tools, together with serial numbers and any identifying marks. You can do this at [www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com). This will help to trace them back to you if they are stolen and recovered.
- To prevent fuel theft, refuel just before a planned journey rather than leaving a vehicle fully fuelled overnight. Consider using locking fuel caps.
- If you realise a theft from your vehicle is going on, don't leave the safety of your cab. Lock the doors, start the engine, switch on the lights and if necessary sound the horn to attract attention.



PCSO Cawte says "There has recently been an increase in thefts from commercial vehicles. Please follow these simple steps to reduce the chances of becoming a victim"

If you are a van owner or own a small business and would like your property marked then please contact the team on the below details.

## News Stories

### **Two Males arrested for vehicle crime in Brandon**

You may recall from the December Newsletter that on Thursday 10th November (Inc 173) we reported that a vehicle was stolen from outside a property on Main Street in Brandon, well, due to hard work and working with our bordering police service West Midlands, two males were arrested and have been charged with 'Taking Without the Owners consent' and other related driving offences. Dale Melia and Sam Peal both from the Walsgrave area of Coventry were due to appear at Leamington Magistrates Court in late January; at the time of writing this report their punishment is not yet known. PC 1556 STAMP who lead the investigation said ***"The van has been retrieved and handed back to the owner; together with my Team PCSO Cawte and PCSO Havelock who assisted me with this matter two males have been arrested and now have their day in court; this sends a clear message to Criminals who travel into Binley Woods and the rural surrounds that we will not tolerate crime and will do our very best to bring offenders to justice and protect our communities from harm.."***

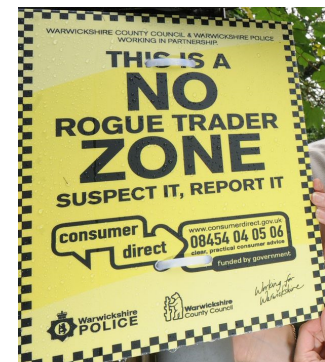


### **Team help set up a Non Rouge Trader Zone in Ryton on Dunsmore**

After having a few incidents of possible rouge trading in Ryton on Dunsmore area over the past year. Warwickshire trading Standards were contacted by Councillor Keeling enquiring about a setting up a Non Rouge Trader scheme. Other non rouge trading zones have been set up in other parts of Warwickshire with Rugby containing two currently (one in Binley Woods).



Trading Standards contacted PCSO Matt Havelock and the Rural Central Team were happy to support the setting up of the scheme. The first part of setting up a scheme is a questionnaire which shows us that the residents want a scheme and see what issues have affected them. The team arranged to hand deliver the questionnaires to keep the costs down. At the time of this newsletter the return date will be upon us and we should have an update on the scheme in future editions of this news letter.



## Rural Officers receive further training



PCSO Matt Havelock has been working with Carol Cotterill (Rural Crime Co-ordinator for North Warwickshire), and between them they set up a training event for Rural officers in North Warwickshire. The day was organised for Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January and the event was held on a Farm. Officers received training on a variety of rural crime matters from a variety of experts (too many to mention!). Officers from Northants and Leicestershire Police rural beats also joined in on the day and gave officers the chance to network with neighbouring forces. PCSO Cawte even got the chance to meet her JCB Namesake!

PC Stamp said "That the day was a great opportunity to meet other officers battling with similar crimes affecting them on their beats. Sharing ideas helps us make the Rugby Rural Central area safer"





## Rural meeting held at Ryton Organics



On the evening of Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2017 an event was held for Rugby's farmers, fisheries, horse owners and small rural businesses. PCSO Matt Havelock and Carol Cotterill organised an event which was held at Ryton Organics. This was the second Rural meeting held in the Rugby Area. We wanted to provide our rural community with the opportunity to gather information, advice from

PCSO Matt Havelock says "Its important to not only deal with Rural Crime but also to prevent it from happening in the first place, we want to close the gate on rural crime"



supporting agencies. The night was attended by PCC Phillip Seccombe, Warwickshire NFU, Security Advisors, Warwickshire Fire and Rescue, Rugby Borough Council, Cyber Crime Advisors, Business Crime Advisors, Warwickshire Horse

Watch. Rugby Rural Safer Neighbourhood teams were represented by Inspector Faulkner, Sergeant Masters, PCSO's Matt Havelock and Charlie Cawte. The team presented on what we have done with issues raised at the first meeting. They also spoke to attendees about the support available to them from the police and continued with mapping farm land to support them in day to day Policing.

## Shed Security advise for Coventry Model Engineering Society

On Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2017 PCSO Matt Havelock with the help of Carol Cotterill attended the Coventry Model Engineering Society based at Ryton Pools. PCSO Havelock was invited to do a talk after the society became a victim of crime and were offered the opportunity for the team to come and security mark their property. Matt and Carol spoke about outbuilding and garden theft, giving them advice on how to mark and keep a log their tools.

Member of the society has said "Thank you both for the most informative and interesting evening last Wednesday. You certainly held members interest which resulted with nearly everyone wanting to look at the samples and to chat with you both about their individual security situations.



## Vehicle seizures in Binley Woods

PC Stamp and PCSO Cawte were on school parking patrols of Coombe Drive, Binley Woods on the 18<sup>th</sup> January 2017 when a suspicious van caught the teams attention. On further investigation the van had no tax and was seized.



## Further seizures from the utilisation of the ANPR.....

The team have been busy over the past month with seizing even more vehicles, utilizing the ANPR camera in Binley Woods. This captures vehicle coming into our area and with the use of the computer system flags and detects offences such as no insurance, no MOT and no Tax whereby vehicles are seized. Beside is a photo that the team tweeted on @RugbyCops twitter account.



## Meetings and Events

# Earl Craven Community Forum

Thursday 16 February 2017

Binley Woods Village Hall, Morrison Room, Binley Woods, CV3 2JH

Community drop-in 7.00 pm

Community Forum starts at 7.30pm

**Community Forums give YOU the opportunity to raise issues of local concern and keep up to date with what is happening in YOUR community.**

**Community Drop-In (7.00 to 7.30 pm)**

A chance to speak informally to local Councillors, Council officers and members of the Rugby Rural Central Safer Neighbourhood Team

## Contact us!

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🐦 [@RugbyCops](https://twitter.com/RugbyCops)

🌐 [www.warwickshire.police.uk](http://www.warwickshire.police.uk)

☎ **999** – In an Emergency

☎ **101** – To report a Crime

☎ **01788 853851** – To contact the team directly (Not for reporting Crime)