

Community Safety

Report to Etchingam Parish Council, 17th June 2021

Updates of incidents in the area in recent weeks supplied by PCSO Emma Phillips.

Reports relating to the area for the month of May, a couple of fairly local incidents, and quite a few incidents in neighbouring villages.

LOCATION	TIMEFRAME	POLICE REFERENCE	OCCURRENCE
Robertsbridge	07/03 – 03/05	SXP-20210503-0472	A shed has been broken into and machinery has been stolen
Northiam Spring Hill	17:00 03/03	SXP-20210503-10:23	Report of a child riding a petrol scooter on the road.
Northiam Spring Hill	No time frame provided	SXP-20210504-0616	Report of 2 children riding a petrol scooter on the road.
Etchingam Great Oak	16:45 04/05	SXP-20210504-1025	Report of a suspicious male looking at properties.
Ewhurst Green Lordine Lane	10:45 05/05 – 12:00	SXP-20210505-0568	There has been a residential burglary.
Sedlescombe Eastview Terrace	22:30 – 23:45 05/05	SXP-20210505-1605	Tyres have been slashed on a vehicle.
Beckley Horseshoe Lane	01:05 15/04 – 16:00 17/04	SXP-20210507-0045	A motorbike was stolen and later located.
Beckley Main Street	21:00 05/05 – 07:00 06/05	SXP-20210507-0645	Items have been damaged at various properties.
Northiam Cavix Field	23:55 11/05	SXP-20210511-1749	Attempt break to a van.
Spring Hill Northiam	22:00 11/05 – 06:00 12/05	SXP-20210512-0829	A vehicle has been broken into.
Northiam Main Street	19:50 13/05	SXP-20210513-1396	Attempt theft of a catalytic converter.
Bodiam	20:05 14/05	SXP-20210514-1340	Damage has been caused to some huts
Beckley Main Street	18:00 15/05 – 12:00 16/05	SXP-20210516-0604	A house sign has been stolen.
Ticehurst Church Street	18:00 18/05 – 14:00 19/05	SXP-20210519-0868	A business sign has been damaged.
Peasmarsh	10/05 – 18/05	SXP-20210519-0925	There has been an attempt break to the water pumping station.
Etchingam	18:00 18/05 – 07:00 19/05	SXP-20210521-0170	Tools have been stolen from a site.
Burwash Shrub Lane	18:30 24/05 – 06:30 25/05	SXP-20210525-0264	A farm has been broken into and tools / machinery have been stolen.
Stonegate Station Road	09:45 25/05	SXP-20210525-0396	Drain covers have been stolen.

Bodaim	20:20 – 22:00 28/05	SXP-20210529- 0440	A motorhome has been entered and items stolen from within.
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Other items to take note of;

Catalytic Converters; There continue to be attempted thefts of catalytic converters in the area, these thefts usually take place overnight, if you see suspicious activity near vehicles call the Police straight away. Try and park your vehicle in a way that make it difficult to access the catalytic Converter, in a well lit area.

Machinery; Machinery and tools continue to be a target for thieves. If you have a lot of machinery on your property check that it is as secure as possible, always report any suspicious activity near to locations where you know a lot of machinery is stored.

Garden machinery; It is that time of year when garden machinery will be in use a lot more, make sure it is securely locked up when not in use. Those who are interested in your machines will often make a note of where they see the machines they want in use and come back when it is quiet to help themselves.

Manhole covers; There have been a lot of thefts of cast iron manhole covers in the area, the removal of these covers can present a danger to users of the roads, if you notice one is missing please report to Police and East Sussex Highways as soon as possible.

We are asked to remind residents to ensure they are securing their property as best as they can, be aware of any unusual activity, suspicious people or vehicles, and to please report it to Police at the first opportunity, they would much rather check a vehicle that is all in order than miss one that is not. The dark nights are ideal for those who want to steal your property, make sure everything is as secure as possible, a light activated by movement is a good idea, burglars do not like to be illuminated.

Cllr. Colin Boylett, portfolio holder for community safety.