

Community Safety

Report to Etchingam Parish Council, 22nd July 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
Etchingam Fontridge Lane	12:00 – 18:00 03/04	SXP-20210604-0965	A number plate has been stolen from a vehicle.
Battle Telham Lane	15/05 – 06/06	SXP-20210606-0907	Various items have been stolen from a garden.
Sedlescombe Hurst Lane	01:00 – 07:00 01/05	SXP-20210608-0903	A vehicle has been broken into and items stolen from within.
Sedlescombe Hurst Lane	01:00 – 07:00 01/05	SXP-20210608-0944	Paint has been taken from a worksite and thrown around woodland.
Sedlescombe Hurst Lane	01:00 – 07:00 01/05	SXP-20210608-1118	Garden ornaments have been stolen from a worksite.
Bodiam Railway Station	20:50 11/06	SXP-20210611-1454	Report of a suspicious male looking around storage containers.
Ticehurst High Street	21:50 11/06	SXP-20210611-1557	A window is believed to have been shot at and has caused it to smash.
Sedlescombe East View Terrace	04:00 – 08:00 12/06	SXP-20210612-0321	Damage has been caused to a windscreen.
Battle Woodhams Close	23:59 12/06	SXP-20210612-1838	A person has been reported as trying to cause damage to vehicles.
Crowhurst Crowhurst Primary School	17:30 11/06 – 07:00 14/06	SXP-20210614-0998	Damage has been caused to the school and equipment has been broken and thrown around.
Robertsbridge Recreation Ground	09:00 – 22:00 01/06	SXP-20210617-0744	An internal door within the toilet block has been ripped of the hinges.
Hurst Green London Road	14:00 19/06 – 11:0 20/06	SXP-20210620-1048	A vehicle has been damaged.
Battle High Street	18:00 18/06 – 08:00 19/06	SXP-20210621-0586	Planters have been damaged in the High Street.
Flimwell	Evenings	SXP-20210622-0537	Report of motorbikes being used in forest area
Ewhurst Green	17:00 21/06 – 11:00 22/06	SXP-20210622-0984	A hut / shed has been broken into and machinery has been stolen.
Ticehurst	109:00 - 3:45 18/06	SXP-20210624-0709	A car has been scratched whilst parked.

Penhurst	21/06 – 23/06	SXP-20210624-0799	A shed has been entered and items have been stolen.
Robertsbridge Rock Hill	09:00 24/06 – 08:00 25/06	SXP-20210625-0414	A storage container has been broken into and animal medication has been stolen.
Dallington South Lane	12:10 – 13:20 26/06	SXP-20210627-0295	Items from have been stolen from a field.
Hurst Green London Road	16:54 28/06	SXP-20210628-1508	A parcel has been stolen that had been left on the front door.
Dallington Battle Road	17:30 27/06 05:30 29/06	SXP-20210629-0683	A vehicle has been stolen.
Battle Hastings Road	18:00 28/06 – 09:00 29/06	SXP-20210629-0763	A trailer has been stolen.
Battle Beech Farm Lane	18:30 27/06 – 18:30 28/06	SXP-20210629-0930	There has been an attempt theft of a cattle trough.
Crowhurst Church	15:30 29/06 – 09:30 30/06	SXP-20210630-0633	A security light has been smashed.

Other items to take note of;

Sheds, outbuildings & allotments; Sheds, outbuildings and allotments are regular targets for thieves, make sure your buildings are secure. If you have an allotment plot in an isolated location avoid leaving any valuable tools and equipment in the shed when you are not there.

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.

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