

# Community Safety

## *Report to Etchingam Parish Council, 20<sup>th</sup> April 2023*

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

Reports relating to the area for the month of March, not a great deal reported during the month, nothing marked as Etchingam, but a few in neighbouring villages, and some more fairly local incidents. Shed break ins and catalytic converters continue to be targets.

<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>TIME FRAME</b>	<b>POLICE REFERENCE</b>	<b>OCCURRENCE</b>
<b>Battle</b> Chain Lane	01/02 – 28/02	SXP-20230301-0045	Damage has been caused to a greenhouse on 2 separate occasions and further damage has been caused to an allotment. Report of youths causing ASB
<b>Battle</b> Market Square	15:35 02/03	SXP-20230302-0899	Report of youths causing ASB and climbing on the Cricket club roof.
<b>Battle</b> Park Lane	16:00 02/03	SXP-20230302-0942	Windows to 2 residential properties have been smashed. A vehicle has been damaged.
<b>Hurst Green</b> London Road	22:00 02/03	SXP-20230302-1431	Outdoor lights have been damaged.
<b>Battle</b> St Martins Way	15:00 02/03 – 09:00 03/03	SXP-20230303-0176	A yard has been broken into and items have been stolen. A vehicle has been stolen.
<b>Catsfield</b> The Green	12:00 – 15:00 04/03	SXP-20230309-1073	A vehicle has been damaged on a few occasions
<b>Flimwell</b> A21	08:19 11/03	SXP-20230311-0294	
<b>Stonegate</b> Railway Station	15:30 – 16:30 14/03/2023	SXP-20230315-0327	
<b>Hurst Green</b> Colemans Way	Over a period of time	SXP-20230315-1173	

<b>Battle</b> Park Lane	13:08 16/03	SXP-20230316-0674	Report of youths causing ASB and climbing on the Cricket club roof.
<b>Catsifeld</b> Church Road	18:40 – 18:45	SXP-20230317-1217	Damage to a property has been caused.
<b>Flimwell</b>	17:45 18/03	SXP-20230318-1004	Report of persons causing damage to land using quad bikes and motorbikes.
<b>Battle</b> Wattles Wish	16:00 17/03 – 16:00 18/03	SXP-20230318-1082	2 vehicles have been damaged.
<b>Battle</b> Astern Fields	17:15 21/03	SXP-20230321-0999	A brick has been thrown through a residential window.
<b>Robertsbridge</b> High Street	18:00 21/03	SXP-20230321-1084	A brick has been thrown at a conservatory.

### *Other items to take note of;*

#### *Cars & vans;*

There have been any reports of thefts of and from vehicles during the month, but always be aware of any suspicious activity around parked vans especially at night. As always, the advice is make sure vehicles are secure and where possible have good motion activated lights to illuminate the area where the vehicle is parked, thieves do not like to be seen while carrying out their activities, CCTV is also a good tool in helping to identify potential thieves.

#### *Catalytic converters;*

Thefts of catalytic converters in Kent and Sussex continues to be a problem, there are recent reports of thefts of catalytic converters in neighbouring areas Wadhurst, Tunbridge Wells, Hawkhurst and Cranbrook to name just a few.

#### *Garden machinery:*

It is the time of the year when a lot of work with machinery is in use in our gardens, at the end of the days work make sure your machines are securely locked away, and during the day if you stop for a meal break make sure you have not left expensive machines where they are out of your sight and easily stolen.

Make sure and report all incidents and break in attempts as soon as possible, even if nothing is stolen, report to **101**, **BUT** if you are sure a criminal act is in progress **999**.

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