

Community Safety

Report to Etchingam Parish Council, 15th June 2023

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

Reports relating to the area for the month of May, no reports for Etchingam, but several in neighbouring villages, and some more fairly local incidents. Machinery, vehicles and catalytic converters continue to be targets.

LOCATION	TIME FRAME	POLICE REFERENCE	OCCURRENCE
Battle North Trade Road	29/04 – 02/05	SXP-20230502-0459	Graffiti damage has been caused on the recreation ground.
Brightling The Street	01:00 – 06:00 30/04	SXP-20230503-0233	A quad bike and equipment have been stolen.
Ticehurst High Street	17:30 02/05 – 08:00 03/05	SXP-20230503-0291	A shop window has been smashed.
Brightling	01:00 – 10:00 03/05	SXP-20230503-0421	A quad bike has been stolen
Bodiam	00:25 09/05	SXP-20230509-0030	There has been a break to a business
Battle Marley Lane	18:00 08/05 – 08:00 09/05	SXP-20230509-0259	A water treatment site has been broken into.
Burwash High Street	18:00 08/05 – 18:00 08/05	SXP-20230509-0381	A catalytic converter has been stolen.
Hurst Green Mc Michaels Way	18:00 08/05 – 18:00 08/05	SXP-20230509-0608	A catalytic converter has been stolen.
Brightling Brightling Road	00:15 10/05	SXP-20230510-0012	A caravan has been set alight.
Bodiam	00:00 – 07:30 13/05	SXP-20230513-0271	A vehicle has been stolen.
Dallington Battle Road	00:00 – 03:00 14/05	SXP-20230516-0439	A vehicle and machinery have been stolen from a business.

Robertsbridge Northbridge Street	19:55 16/05	SXP-20230516-1388	Report of youths breaking into an abandoned building.
Catsfield Church Road	11:15 – 11:20 17/05	SXP-20230517-0499	Males have been seen on a farm taking scrap metal.
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Hurst Green Station Road	17:00 16/05 - 12:00 17/05	SXP-20230517-1010	A motorbike has been stolen.
Battle Market Square	13/05	SXP-20230517-1120	Graffiti has been sprayed on the walls in the public toilets.
Battle Netherfield Road	00:00 14/05 – 00:00 15/05	SXP-20230517-1194	Units on a farm have been broken into.
Flimwell Berners Hill	04:00 18/05	SXP-20230518-0131	A catalytic converter has been stolen.
Hooe Top Road	16:00 18/05 – 07:30 19/05	SXP-20230519-0222	A workshop has been broken into and power tools have been stolen.
Battle Station Road	14:50 – 15:10 19/05	SXP-20230519-0932 + SXP-20230519-1163	A motorbike has been stolen from the railway station.
Salehurst Parsonage Farm	21/05 – 22/05	SXP-20230522-1458	A workshop has been broken into and a vehicle has been tampered with.
Battle Market Square	20/05	SXP-20230524-0546	Criminal damage has been caused to the public toilets.
Sedlescombe Brede Lane	03:09 25/05	SXP-20230525-0742	A catalytic converter has been stolen.
Battle High Street	15:50 – 16:05	SXP-20230525-1064	A mobility walker was stolen from the High Street by youths. It was swiftly recovered
Stonegate Knowle Hill	16:20 25/05	SXP-20230525-1165	A catalytic converter has been stolen.
Bodiam Knowle Hill	12:00 27/05 – 08:00 29/05	SXP-20230529-1784	A house has been burgled.
Catsfield	22/05 – 28/05	SXP-20230530-0347	Wood has been stolen from a garden.

Church Lane			
Battle Caldbec Hill	15:00 19/05 26/05	SXP-20230530-0352	A motorcycle has been stolen
Robertsbridge Heathfield Gardens	08:00 30/05 – 23:00 31/05	SXP-20230531-1614	A vehicle has been vandalised.

Other items to take note of;

Catalytic converters;

Thefts of catalytic converters in Kent and Sussex continues to be a problem, there are five listed above and I have been informed of several recent thefts in the Hawkhurst and Cranbrook and Wadhurst areas.

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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