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## Pocklington Provincial Update – January 2022

### 1. Crime and ASB

You can obtain Crime and ASB data for your own area by visiting [www.police.uk](http://www.police.uk), clicking on "whats happening in your area" and entering your postcode.

### 2. Crime issues of particular note

The following list shows some of the crimes that have occurred in the previous month in your area:

- A rear bedroom window of a property in Pocklington has been damaged in an attempted break in.
- A vehicle parked in a car park in Pocklington had one of its tyres damaged.
- A bonnet of a vehicle parked in on a driveway of a property in Pocklington has been damaged as a result of it being scratched.

### 3. Community Priorities

The Neighbourhood Policing Team meet regularly with partners to ensure we have a multi-agency approach to local issues, individuals and problem solving. These meetings are regularly attended by partners including Humberside Fire and Rescue Service, Youth and Family Support, Housing Officers, Environmental Health and the East Riding Anti-Social Behaviour Team. We share information and resources to deal with local neighbourhood issues, in particular, those identified as causing the most

We have been patrolling Pocklington and the surrounding rural areas during our shifts. Patrols are continuing around All Saints Church in Pocklington and we are asking people not to gather in the area where anti social behaviour (ASB) has occurred. We have also had several reports of ASB and damage around the area near to the skate park in West Green, the park on Broadmanor, the Rugby Club, the Football Club and Primrose Wood. Patrols will now be monitoring these locations on a regular basis.

### 4. Crime Reduction Advice

#### **Protecting your vehicle this winter.**

Your car is often a safe space, with your own home comforts added to suit each owner, but opportunistic criminals often see them as easy pickings.

Below are some of the measures that you can take to make your car less likely to be targeted by thieves:

**Spare keys** – Do you know where your spare key-fobs are? When not in use, and if you have a keyless car, consider removing the battery from the spare keys so that there are fewer examples of the same key frequency available for the keyless car thieves to capture.

**Location of keys when not in use** – The more central the keys are placed within a home environment, the better. Whilst it may be practical, do not leave your car keys close to the front door.

**CCTV** – Do you have CCTV covering your property and vehicles? This can be a great deterrent to potential criminals, as well as giving you peace of mind.

**Consult your vehicle's manufacturer** – Customers are encouraged to speak to their vehicle's manufacturer about preventative advice as there may be functions or settings which you may not yet be aware of.



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**Don't leave valuables inside** – When a vehicle is stolen, whatever is left inside is also stolen too. Remember to not leave anything valuable on show within the car.

**Garages** - Storing your car or vehicle inside a garage, if you have one, will not only hide it from view but will also act as a further barrier. This is the same for bollards or driveway gates. All can be effective in offering a physical barrier against opportunistic criminals.

**Signal suppression pouch** – For keyless car owners, a practical way of managing the signal sent out by the car's key fob is by placing it inside a suppression pouch or box.

**Vehicle tracking** – Does your car have a tracking device fitted? This increases the chances of the car being recovered greatly and can often also result in lower insurance costs.

If you notice anything suspicious in your local area, report this to the police straight away on the non-emergency number 101. If you see a crime in progress, call 999.

## **Keeping children safe online this new year.**

Did you buy a games console or mobile phone for a young person this Christmas? Let us help you keep them safe by making sure security and privacy settings are changed to ensure they don't get contacted by someone you don't want to.

But do your kids probably know more than you about how to set the security and privacy setting?

Don't leave it to chance, make sure that if you gave a young person a games console or mobile device, make sure it is set up to help prevent them from being contacted by someone you would really not want to be speaking to or communicating with your kids. It's not difficult to do, you can find lots of information online in the [Think You Know](#), [Get Safe Online](#) and [NSPCC](#) websites.

Detective Sergeant Patrick Morfitt from our POLIT (Police Online Investigation Team) said, "If you bought an age-appropriate device for your children at Christmas, make sure it has the parental controls set up to protect them from unwanted online contact".

"We don't want to scare parents and carers about the safety of their children, we simply want to make sure they talk to their children about staying safe online. Try to be open with your children so that they know they can come to you if something has happened online that they're not happy about or if a stranger has tried to contact them or send them a friend request".

"If you think an offence has taken place please call 101 and talk to us. We can and will take action against those who seek to harm children online. As a parent myself I know how easy it is to get make sure devices are secure and so I would just ask other parents to take the time to check the parental controls and make sure everyone can be safe."

Keep your children safe now and in the future by making sure their devices are secure.

## **5. Stay informed**

Stay informed through our social media channels, find us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#):

<https://www.humberside.police.uk/teams/pocklington-provincial>.



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For incidents that don't require an immediate response call our non-emergency 101 line. You can also report [non-emergency crimes online](#) via our reporting portal. In an emergency always dial 999.