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# Parish/Town News Release

## Pocklington Provincial Update - November 2021

### 1. Crime and ASB

Unfortunately due to technical changes we are unable to provide the monthly information at the moment. However 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:

- The front number plate was stolen from a vehicle parked in St Helens Square, Barmby Moor.
- Two vehicles parked on Church Lane flats and Kirkgate, Pocklington have been damaged.

### 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

#### GOING OUT? GOING SHOPPING?

Don't give opportunist thieves the chance to bag your belongings! However crowds, music, noise and aching feet can all make shopping quite stressful. But make sure you stay alert at all times. You might be rushing to get it all done, chatting with a friend you've just bumped into or queuing at the cash desk, opportunist thieves are always after small items like mobile phones and purses, so keep them close and keep them secure.

**DON'T LEAVE YOUR HANDBAG UNATTENDED** in shopping baskets or trolleys, pushchairs or mobility scooters. In cafes and restaurants keep bags on your lap, between your feet or place the strap around a chair leg. Don't hang your bag on the back of your chair where you can't keep an eye on it.

**DON'T LEAVE YOUR MOBILE PHONE ON THE TABLE.** Mobile phones are frequently targeted by thieves and easily swiped when your back is turned even just for a minute. This advice also applies if you are going out on an evening too. Don't ever leave your handbag/wallet unattended on a table or a seat even if you are just nipping to the bar to quickly buy a drink, speak to someone or going for a dance etc as it only takes seconds for your belongings to disappear! Keep them with you at all times!

While walking about **KEEP HANDBAGS CLOSE TO YOUR BODY**, and closed at all times. Choose a bag that can be zipped. Your purse and phone should be well hidden and tucked away out of sight, and out of easy reach of pickpockets.



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Be particularly careful on public transport, keep your bag where you can see it. If you carry a rucksack, wear it on your front rather than on your back or over your shoulder.

**KEEP THE AMOUNT OF VALUABLES INSIDE HANDBAGS TO AN ABSOLUTE MINIMUM** and do not carry large amounts of cash.

**BE MINDFUL OF DISTRACTIONS**, thieves working in pairs may try to divert your attention in order to steal your handbag. Avoid carrying too much around with you, the more bags you've got the more vulnerable you are. If you need to take shopping back to your car, put bags in the boot – don't leave them where they can be seen.

## 5. News and appeals.

### Fraudulent texts

We are aware of recent reports of fraudulent text messages targeting parents in the Humberside Force area.

Sophisticated fraudsters have been reported to claim they are the victim's child who then requires money to be sent to them following an issue or an emergency. These scams are designed to play on the parent's emotions, with fraudsters becoming more and more sophisticated in the way that they deceive people.

If you have been a victim of fraud, there is a network of support and information available to you. Anyone can be a victim of fraud, with fraudsters constantly reinventing themselves to find new ways of tricking people.

If you receive one of these text messages, calls, or voicemails or if you think you've been a victim of fraud, report it to Action Fraud by visiting [actionfraud.police.uk](https://actionfraud.police.uk).

Alternatively, you can call our non-emergency number 101 to report information. Or, if you have information regarding those responsible for fraud, you can contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

## 6. Stay informed

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

<https://www.humberside.police.uk/teams/pocklington-provincial>. Facebook – Humberside Police – East Riding of Yorkshire West. Twitter - Humberside Police – East Riding of Yorkshire West - @Humberbeat\_ERYW.

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.