



NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING TEAM

# New Forest Heart Beat Report



Hello and welcome to the February 2024 Beat Report for the New Forest Heart area. Your team is PC 24901 Mark ROBERTS and PCSO 14495 Richard WILLIAMS.

On Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March we will be at the Post Office in the Happy Cheese in Ashurst at 11am when we will again be joined by one of the local Neighbourhood Watch coordinators then on the same day at midday we will be in the main car park at Beaulieu and an hour later at 1pm outside Tesco in Brockenhurst.

On Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March we will be holding another one of our public meetings with our partners at the National Park Authority, Forestry England and New Forest Dog. We will be in the Longslade car park at 08.30am

You can also join us at the Bramshaw Village Stores at 8am on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> and then outside the Post Office at Bartley at 9am, and on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February join us in the main car park at Beaulieu at 11.30am and opposite Tesco in Brockenhurst at 12.30pm.

Finally on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March at 1pm we will be outside Tesco on Lyndhurst High Street.

If you can't make any of these meetings you can always call or email us on the details below but to report a crime or any anti-social behaviour dial 101 or go the Hampshire and IOW Police website. Of course if it's an emergency always call 999.

Sadly two houses have been burgled this month, both of them in Brockenhurst. The first happened sometime between 10<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> February in the New Forest Drive area and the second was in the Waters Green area and happened sometime between 12.30pm and 9.30pm on Monday 12<sup>th</sup>. If you have any information about either of those burglaries please call us on 101 and quote 44240071763 for the first one and 44240063992 for the second one. Thank you.

Also this month five outbuildings were broken into and items including a horse nebuliser and STIHL power tools stolen – the areas targeted were Bramshaw, Cadnam, Brockenhurst, Ashurst and Woodlands Road and a quad bike and Mitsubishi shogun were stolen from a farm yard in Minstead on the same night.

Other thefts in February included a motorbike from Brockenhurst, a football from a garden in Lyndhurst and lead from a roof in Brockenhurst. There were five shopliftings in February with the Tesco in Lyndhurst, the petrol station at Stoney Cross and the Co Op in Brockenhurst the shops targeted.

At 10.45pm on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> February the Budgens Courtesy Filling station at Cadnam was broken into and cigarettes and vapes stolen. We are still looking for any witnesses to the incident or CCTV footage from the area at the time and again if you can help please contact us and quote the crime number 44240079154.

Vans have been broken into while parked at the Swan Pub in Swan Green, on the roadside in Ashurst and in the Premier Inn car park at Ower and again tools were stolen. Vehicles were targeted this month in Bramshaw where a steering wheel was stolen and number plates were taken from another car parked in Copythorne. A car parked in Long Cross car park was also attacked in February while its owner was out walking and a bag stolen from inside.

And the first of the year's high value bicycles have been stolen. The first was locked to a gate post in the Forest and the second was locked to the back of a camper van in Beaulieu Road car park. These thefts again highlight the need to do as much as you can to protect your bikes by either removing a wheel or the seat post or both. And never leave them unattended even if they are locked. Thieves will cut the locks even in broad daylight so please do what you can to keep yours safe. We will be holding another one of our BIKE SECURITY MARKING sessions outside CYCLE EXPERIENCE in Brockenhurst on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March between 10am and midday.

Also this month four cars were damaged while they were parked in the Boltons Bench car park at Lyndhurst. This happened in the early evening of Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February. If you have any information about this incident can you please contact us on the details below.

Finally this month's Op Mountie session was again busy and successful. Op Mountie is where we join forces with our partners at Forestry England, the NPA and the New Forest Roads Awareness team and do what we can to reduce speed and animal deaths across the Forest. At the beginning of the month we spent two hours on the Beaulieu Road outside the Kings Hat Inclosure and stopped 13 vehicles. We gave four of the drivers tickets for recording speeds of 50mph and above while the others were given advice from our partners about why the speed limit in the Forest is 40mph and why we all need to stick to it. We also seized one car because the driver only had a provisional licence and we arrested another male on suspicion of driving while under the influence of cannabis.

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