



Welcome to your Lutterworth and Broughton Astley police e-newsletter. Here you will find all of the latest news and crime prevention advice to help keep yourself safe.

Neighbourhood Priorities

Test Purchase Operation

Lutterworth officers, working with the Cadets based at Market Harborough, held a test purchasing operation on Friday 12th November 2021.

A test purchase is when Camelot, Trading Standards, the police or another local authority employ someone underage customer to visit a bar or shop and try to purchase age-restricted goods. This is to check that the premises are abiding by licensing laws.

This is a proactive event with those falling foul with the law being spoken to immediately spoken to by a police officer and dealt with accordingly.

Seven stores across Lutterworth, which includes a variety of establishments and independent stores, were tested with the help from two of the Leicestershire Police Cadets. It was a successful evening with all seven stores passing the test. Further tests with the help of the Cadets will be planned and the view to test neighbouring village premises.

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)

There has been ongoing concern raised by the local council in relation to broken glass on the local parks. Increased patrols have been conducted during peak times to prevent further issues. We will continue to monitor ASB hotspots over the coming weeks and prioritise our resources to reflect this.

Vehicle Crime

Intelligence has been received and reviewed with the intention of carrying out a proactive response to the information provided.

This has led local officers to conduct enquiries on a vehicle displaying two different vehicle registration numbers. After further checks, the vehicle had been used in crime out of force area. It was seized with an ongoing investigation under way.

Beat Surgeries

Lutterworth

Sunday 5th December: 2:30-3:30pm, North Kilworth Church

Friday 10th December 6.30pm – 7.30pm Waitrose, Lutterworth

Wednesday 22nd December 6.00pm – 7.00pm Morrisons, Lutterworth

Broughton Astley

Saturday 4th December Christmas Fare, Broughton Astley

Friday 10th December 4.00pm – 5.00pm Village Hall, Ashby Magna

Events

PC James and PCSO Caroline visited Ullesthorpe Primary School to see the children. Each group got to see the inside of the van, talk about the different equipment and what it is used for and of course put on the lights and siren!

Lutterworth Cubs

PC Day and PCSO Charlesworth attended a meeting of the Lutterworth Cubs. They got to try on lots of kit and have a good look around our ranger vehicle. We spoke to them about how the police are there to help them and explained what a 'safer stranger' is so if they ever need help they know who to turn to.

They asked lots of interesting questions – we definitely think we have some budding officers in the pack.



Remembrance Sunday

Officers attended the remembrance parades in Lutterworth, Broughton Astley and Dunton Bassett. This is the first opportunity we have had to pay our respects with members of the public to the fallen in two years due to the recent COVID restrictions. It was great to see so many people there.

Gone Phishing

It's that time of year when we may all be shopping online more than usual and it's important to know that not all emails, especially those which may appear to give you an offer that you can't refuse, are genuine.

Phishing emails are emails that appear genuine but contain links which, if clicked, can result in you passing sensitive information such as bank details onto unscrupulous people.

The message may appear to be genuine but they often have very subtle errors such as spelling mistakes, they may not be addressed to you personally or they may appear to be written in text that appears oddly put together.

These are just some of the ways the scammers use to try and get you to click the link. If you are in any way suspicious DO NOT CLICK ON ANY CONTENT WITHIN THE EMAIL..

You can report the email by forwarding it to report@phishing.gov.uk If you feel you have been a victim of crime relating to a Phishing email you should report it via [Action Fraud](#)



Keeping you safe this festive season

As the festive season of 2021 begins, Harborough Community Safety Partnership's, 'Christmas Presence' campaign is here to help remind you to keep safe throughout the season.

Following a very different Christmas last year, all the Christmas adverts tell us this will be an extra celebratory period of festivities with long overdue catch ups with friends and families. The late-night shopping is back, Christmas lights switch on's, maybe an office party or a New Year's eve celebrations with friends.

If you're heading out to enjoy the festive atmosphere of the shops to buy your Christmas presents this year, then think ahead;

- park in well-lit carparks with CCTV,
- don't frequently return to the car to drop off presents, or leave them on view on the back seat, before you return to the shops or go for dinner.
- Make sure that handbags are zipped shut and that pocketed wallets/phones and keys are all out of easy pickings.

If you're planning a night out on the town or the office party, then remember to;

- Plan ahead and make provision for getting home safely
- Look after other friends and don't let them walk home alone.
- Use the Ask Angela scheme in pubs should you be getting unwanted attention.

And whilst Christmas can be an expensive time of the year.....

- Still don't pay for anything by transferring money directly to people or companies you don't know. If it's a fraud, it's doubtful the bank will be able to recover or refund your money. The safest way to pay for anything is by credit card.
- Stay safe, borrow responsibly and start saving for next Christmas, Remember: loan sharks should be avoided because they will make a difficult financial situation much worse. If you need to borrow money, check the lender is authorised and regulated by the Financial Code.

Home should be a safe place, but if you are suffering from domestic abuse remember you are not alone, contact UAVA Leicestershire' support service for domestic abuse or sexual violence 0808 8020028 www.uava.org.uk

More information and advice can be found on our website www.harborough.gov.uk/communitysafety



The next edition will be out soon!