





Sussex Countrywatch



Sunday 24th March 2019

Reported loose animals on the highway this week is 9.

This was made up by 6 Sheep, 2 Goats and 1 Cow.

Please check your boundary hedges and fences every day, this applies more so of late because the ground is so wet, fences push over much easier.

Reported items stolen in the last week include

- 1 x Petrol disc cutter, 2 x Impact drivers, 1 x Router, 2 x Breakers,
- 1 x Paddle mixer, 2 x Skill saws, 1 x Masonry drill, 1 x Bosch breaker,
- 1 x Chop saw, 16 Chainsaws, 7 Hedge cutters, 3 x Long reach cutters,
- 1 x Quad bike, 3 x Climbing equipment, A large quantity of lead,
- 1 x Generator and 1 x Pump generator.

The value put on these stolen items amounts to £41,100.

See reports below for detail.

Quads, trailers and tools

These items are expensive and costly to replace and can be protected by

- Securing or immobilising vehicles and equipment when not in use and removing keys from unattended cars, tractors and quad bikes.
- Avoiding leaving machinery in fields, particularly near roads.
- Keeping quad bikes and trailers in your most secure outbuilding; if kept outside put behind locked gates.
- Using ground anchor chains with anchor plates.
- Marking trailers, quad bikes, horseboxes and tools with your postcode or farm name.
- Listing your tools, together with serial numbers, and registering these on www.immobilise.com
- Fitting a tracker device or immobiliser to your vehicles.

If you have any evidence, no matter how small, on any of the crimes listed below, please call it in on the non-emergency number 101 and quote the reference number and date as given to the left of the report, of for that matter any other crime.

Monday 11 th March 2019 to Sunday 17 th March 2019				
Area	Ref	Date	Details	
Adur & Worthing			Nothing reported	
Arun	0758	11/03/2019	A farm shop in Littlehampton Road, Angmering Road, Worthing, was entered by a male passenger, white, mid to late 20's with brown hair, who got out of what is described as a blue VW, Reg number similar to !E04!KG. He helped himself to items from the shop and took them to the checkout where he demanded a refund. This is the second time the same male has done this in this shop.	
	0791	14/03/2019	A farm in Yapton Road, Bognor Regis, was entered, a container and van were broken into and £5,000 worth of tools were stolen, these include. 1 X petrol disc cutter, 2 x impact drivers, 1 x router, 2 x breakers, 1 x paddle mixer, 2 x skill saws, 1 x masonry drill, 1 x Bosch breaker and 1 x chop saw.	
Brighton & Hove	0555	17/03/2019	A group of 6-8 youths were seen riding 4-6 motorcycles next to Bevington Reservoir, they were	

			reported to be taking turns to ride and speeding at 40-50 MPH near to dog walkers and hikers. The informants were concerned for the cows as they were riding round them very closely.
	0204	12/03/2019	A tractor was hot wired to move it and the trailer connected to it so as to gain access to a shipping container. The container was then forcefully entered an £10,000 worth of tools were stolen. These include,
Chichester	0783	12/03/2019	A farmer from Newhouse Lane, East Dean, Chichester received a telephone call from a neighbour to say that one of his sheep had been attacked by a dog. Upon visiting the field, he had to shoot the lamb as it was very badly injured and barely alive.
	1159	12/03/2019	The barn to a farm in Park Lane, Aldingbourne, Chichester, was forcefully entered a Lancin 3500i generator and a Lancin water pump generator together with cabling that powers both pieces of equipment were all stolen. These items are valued at £1,100.
Crawley			Nothing reported
Eastbourne	1206	18/03/2019	HERITAGE Sometime overnight 16th / 17th St. Saviour & St. Peters Church, in South Street, Eastbourne, had a large quantity of lead ripped off and stolen from the of the east end of its roof. Did you see or hear anything, if so please let us know. Repair costs are likely to run into several thousand pounds.
Gatwick			Nothing reported
Hastings	0488	12/03/2019	A medium to large white dog was seen in a field chasing sheep, the informant knows that one sheep has been injured but at the time of calling in the dog had chased the sheep out of view.
	0255	12/03/2019	A large red Honda Quadbike, worth £10,000, was stolen from a locked outbuilding in Lyons Road, Slinfold, Horsham, it was secured to a topper that was left behind.
Horsham	0194	14/03/2019	A farm in Trout Lane, Brooks Green, Horsham, was entered by intruders who broke into a metal shipping container and stole tools to the value of £5,000. These include 6 x chainsaws, 4 x hedge cutters and 3 sets of climbing equipment.
Lewes	0890	17/03/2019	Four youths were seen to enter a building site in Bishops Lane, Lewes, they then started the engines of various pieces of equipment, then left.
Mid Sussex	0972	14/03/2019	An unsuccessful attempt was made to break into an outbuilding of a farm in Saddlescombe Road, Saddlescombe, Brighton,
Rother	1233	16/03/2019	Whilst workmen were having a 10-minute tea break, on a farm in Frymans Lane, Brede, Rye, intruders in a pick-up truck drove in and stole a petrol driven power washer worth £1,000.
Wealden			Nothing reported.

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