





Sussex Countrywatch Newsletter

23/10/2019

Sussex Country Watch Bulletin

Reported loose animals on the highway this week is 21. This was made up by 17 Sheep 3 Cows and 1 Horse. Please check your boundary hedges and fences including Railways every day.

For further information on securing your belongings and how to mark your equipment, visit our burglary advice pages or the Secured by Design website click here.

Crime and incident update

Reported items stolen in the last week include 6 chainsaws, 4 leaf blowers, 1 wheelbarrow, 1 rocking horse, 1 lawn mower, 1 multi-purpose strimmer / hedge cutter / chainsaw, 8 motor vehicles, 1 pole saw / hedge cutter, 3 quadbikes, 350 litres heating oil, 1 saddle with its accessories, 3 trailers, 4 batteries, 2 crow bars, 1 oil can and 1 bottle jack. The total value of reported rural crime this week is £115,750.00. See reports below for detail.

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.

WORDS OF ADVICE

Comfort Zone

Most people live life by staying in their **Comfort Zone**. That includes criminals, most criminals will specialise in a certain type of crime and in geographical areas that they are very familiar with.

By studying crime reports we find that most of the criminals caught continually carry out the same type of crime and in the same areas, areas that they are very familiar with. Often, they will return to the same premises a few weeks later knowing that most of the items stolen have been replaced with new, they already know the layout of your property from their previous visit.

What can you do to help put the criminal out of their **Comfort Zone**? Firstly,

look at where your property was entered then change the security there, add extra locks, put up CCTV, install security lighting that is motion activated, etc. Secondly, look at increasing the security on your outbuildings. By carrying out these simple tasks, you take the criminal out of their **Comfort Zone**.

Monday 14th October 2019 to Sunday 20th October 2019

Area Ref Date Details

Adur & Worthing Nothing reported Arun 0845 15/10/2019

The barn to a farm in Crossbush Lane Crossbush Arundel was entered by 2 males in a white Transit van on a 55 plate, they stole a Stihl leaf blower, valued at £200.00.

1107

18/10/2019

A group of 4-6 youths were seen by witnesses to steal a large wheel barrow from premises in Woodlands Avenue Rustington Littlehampton. Valued at £350.00.

0440

20/10/2019 A rocking horse worth around £100.00 was stolen from a shed in Hook Lane Bognor Regis.

Brighton & Hove Nothing reported Chichester 1397 14/10/2019 Staff at a business in Runcton Chichester detained a person who they caught stealing. Police enqueuers are ongoing.

Crawley

1102 18/10/2019 Nothing reported

Eastbourne

Nothing reported

Gatwick Nothing reported

Hastings

Nothing reported

Horsham

0105 14/10/2019

An outbuilding in Henfield Road Partridge Green Horsham was forcefully entered and 2 leaf blowers were stolen, valued at £500.00.

14/10/2019

A farm in Smithers Hill Lane Shipley Horsham has been entered and two shipping containers were forcefully entered. Several power tools were stolen, these include 1 lawn mower, 1 Stihl chain saw, 1 Stihl leaf blower and I Multi-purpose strimmer/hedge cutter/chainsaw, valued at $\pounds 2,450.00$.

0257

16/10/2019

A car retailer in the Billingshurst area was broken into and a key safe that contained the keys to vehicles on the premises 8 cars were stolen with a value of around £80,000.00.

0755

18/10/2019

A farm in Partridge Green Horsham was entered and the workshop was broken into, 2 Stihl chainsaws and a Stihl Pole saw/hedge cutter were all stolen. Valued at £1,300.00.

Lewes

0256

18/10/2019 An outbuilding to a farm in Wick Street Firle Lewes was forcefully entered, a Camouflage (green & brown) Yamaha 650cc Quad bike, valued at £8,000.00 was stolen

Mid Sussex

0785

14/10/2019

A church in Ardingly has had approximately 350 litres of heating oil stolen, valued at £200.00.

1404

14/10/2019

A farm in Sloop Lane Scaynes Hill Haywards Heath has been broken into and a green Yamaha quad bike valued at £5,000. 00 was stolen.

0226

15/10/2019

A farm in New Way Lane Clayton Hassocks has been entered and the garage was broken into, a green Yamaha Grizzly quad bike was stolen. Value £4,000.00.

0516

15/10/2019

An outbuilding to a farm in Truslers Hill Lane Hassocks was entered and an outbuilding was forcefully entered. A 17.5" medium sized black, Frank Baines Encore horse saddle together with a pair of Mark Todd Stirrup leathers, black stirrup irons, a Stubben girth and a Prolite black elasticated girth. Total value £1,150.00.

1130

15/10/2019

A farm in New Way Lane Hurstpierpoint Hassocks has been broken into, at this moment we do not have a list of what has been stolen or its value.

0223

16/10/2019

0231 A farm in Harwoods Lane East Grinstead has had three out buildings broken into along with a motor vehicle which had its door drilled out and removed to gain entry. It is known that a large quantity of power tools have been stolen but not how many.

Rother Nothing reported

> Wealden 0844

18/10/2019

A farm in Harveys Lane Ringmer Lewes has been entered and an outbuilding was forcefully entered. A chainsaw valued at £500.00 was stolen.

0559

20/10/2019

Five males were seen Hare coursing with three dogs on the Pevencey Marshes off Rickney Lane.

0792

20/10/2019

A farm in West Street Maynards Green Heathfield was broken into and a generator valued at £300.00 was stolen. CCTV images clearly show the intruders and their vehicle.

0816

20/10/2019

An Ifor Williams TA510 livestock trailer was stolen from a farm in Newick Lane Mayfield. Vale £10,000.00.

1281

20/10/2019

A farm in Bodle Street Green Hailsham was entered and a trailer 4 batteries, 2 crowbars, 1 oil can and a bottle Jack were all stolen. CCTV clearly shows the vehicle involved and its occupants. Valued at £12,000.00.

Help us keep Sussex safe

If you saw or heard anything, or have any information about any incident in this message please contact us online, email us at <u>101@sussex.pnn.police.uk</u> or call 101, quoting the reference number provided.

Alternatively you can contact the independent charity Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111, or online at <u>www.crimestoppers-uk.org</u> or their dedicated rural crime reporting number 0800 783 0137 or online here

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