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## Pocklington

### 1. Crime and ASB.

You can obtain Crime and ASB data for your area by 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:

- A property in Pocklington was burgled and items stolen.
- An insecure cycle was stolen from outside a shop in Pocklington.
- A secure shed at a property in Newton on Derwent was broken into and tools stolen.

### 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 concern.

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.

#### **SHED AND GARDEN SECURITY**

Lighter nights often means criminals are on the prowl for easy pickings from gardens, sheds and garages. As the weather starts to warm up, we all spend more time outside, but we all also get a bit lax about leaving our property around and locking our sheds and garages when we use them.

Opportunist criminals are always on the lookout for bikes, tools, sports equipment and fishing tackle in sheds and garages, as well as in gardens.

So, if you haven't assessed your security for some time then we would urge you to look at your sheds, garages and outbuildings and see how secure they really are. Do you need a better lock, an alarm, lighting, or even CCTV? Below are some areas to consider:

- Make sure your shed or garage is secured with a good quality lock.
- Keep back gates locked when not used.
- Check there are no bins, composters or trees that can be used for climbing over your garden fence to gain access – consider planting thorny bushes inside the fence to deter entry.



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- Do you have security/motion sensor street lighting.
- Loop a strong chain through the handle possible, fix a large metal eyelet to provide installing a lockable storage cupboard as a second line of defense to thieves.
- As well as protecting property in sheds and garages people can also stop thieves stealing plants by using heavy plant pots which will be less desirable to walk off with.
- Many shed windows are never used, if this is the case – why not screw them shut. Fitting mesh or steel bars across the window from the inside allows light to enter but means the thief has to go to a lot of trouble to remove them. Replace broken glass with laminated glass.
- If you have a household alarm, consider extending it to cover your outbuildings or fit a bespoke shed/garage alarm.
- Check your home contents policy to see if you are covered in the event of a break-in.
- If you have an expensive bicycle or motorbike, make sure you have a good quality lock securing it when it is not being used.
- For reference record a description and add photographs of your cycles, golf clubs, fishing equipment, tools, and any other valuable property free on [www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com).
- Consider marking your property too using a visible permanent marker (eg waterproof paint, engraving or permanent marker pen) or if you prefer an invisible marker (UV pens etc). It is recommended that you put your postcode prefixed with the number of your address, this allows any recovered stolen goods to be identified and returned to the owner.

## 5. Surgeries.

PCSO Laura Hudson will be holding a Drop In Surgery at the Dementia Forward coffee morning, at Ballerina House, Lavender Fields Care Village, Feoffee Common Lane, Barmby Moor from 10:30am – 12noon on the 13<sup>th</sup> May and the 24<sup>th</sup> June.

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<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.