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# **Pocklington Provincial Update – September 2022**

### 1. Crime and ASB.

You can obtain Crime and ASB data for your own area by visiting www.police.uk, clicking on "whats happening in your area" and entering your postcode.

# 2. 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

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.

## 3. Crime issues of particular note

The following list shows some of the crimes that have occurred in the previous month in your area:

- A secure vehicle parked at a property in Burnby Lane, Pocklington was broken into and the steering wheel and the sat nay were stolen.
- A secure vehicle at a property in Lord Drive, Pocklington was broken into and the steering console stolen.
- A van parked on the roadside in Pocklington had its wing mirror damaged.

### 4. Crime Reduction Advice.

### Email fraud.

Scam emails are currently one of the most common reported fraud types. Scammers use email to trick you into giving them your personal information. They may try to steal your passwords, account numbers, or bank details. Fake emails often (but not always) display some of the following characteristics:

- The sender's email address doesn't tally with the trusted organisation's website address.
- The email is sent from a completely different address or a free web mail address.
- The email does not use your proper name, but uses a non-specific greeting like "dear
- customer".
- A sense of urgency; for example, the threat that unless you act immediately your account
- may be closed.
- A prominent website links. These can be forged or seem very similar to the proper address, but even a single character's difference means a different website.
- A request for personal information such as username, password or bank details.
- The email contains spelling and grammatical errors.
- You weren't expecting to get an email from the company that appears to have sent it.
- The entire text of the email is contained within an image rather than the usual text format.
- The image contains an embedded hyperlink to a bogus site.

What should you do if you've received a scam email?



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- Do not click on any links in the scam email.
- Do not reply to the email or contact the senders in any way.
- If you have clicked on a link in the email, do not supply any information on the website that may open.
- Do not open any attachments that arrive with the email.

If you suspect you've been a victims of fraud report it to your bank and call <u>Action Fraud</u>. Don't feel embarrassed, it can happen to anyone.

Received an email which you're not quite sure about? Forward it to the Suspicious Email Reporting Service (SERS) at <a href="report@phishing.gov.uk">report@phishing.gov.uk</a>

### Avoid the latest mobile phone scam.

The Force has received reports of a mobile phone scam circulating within the Bridlington area and are urging members of the public everywhere to remain vigilant.

This involves someone receiving a text message, appearing to be from someone they know, prompting them to call or text the number and send money to their new bank account details. Criminals are using these messages whilst in disguise of someone known to the person being targeted.

We are issuing another reminder to take a moment to think before parting with your money or information, especially if the request has come from a text or a cold call. Do you know or trust the person it's come from? It's ok to reject, refuse, or ignore any requests. If you have any doubts, try contacting the person you know by another unconnected form of communication. Only criminals will try to rush or panic you.

If you received an unexpected text or email asking for personal or financial details or to prompt you to send money, do not click on the links or attachments. These scammers are sophisticated in their approaches and anyone can be a victim of fraud with fraudsters constantly reinventing themselves to find new ways to trick people.

If you receive a suspicious text message, you can forward it to 7726 (SPAM on your keypad). If you receive suspect calls or voicemails, or if you think you've been a victim of fraud, report it to Action Fraud (www: actionfraud.police.uk) or Fraud Watch (email: help@fraudwatch.org.uk), funded by the Humberside Police and Crime Commissioner. Alternatively, you can call our non-emergency number 101 to report information, or, if you have information regarding those responsible for fraud, you can contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

## 5. Police Surgery.

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 following dates: 7<sup>th</sup> October, 18<sup>th</sup> November and 9<sup>th</sup> December.

Stay informed through our social media channels, find us on <u>Twitter</u>, <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u>: <u>https://www.humberside.police.uk/teams/pocklington-provincial</u>. 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 <u>non-emergency</u> crimes online via our reporting portal. In an emergency always dial 999.