



Chorleywood – August 2016

August 2016 crime & ASB figures

Offence	No. In Parish	No. in Three Rivers
Dwelling Burglary	2	17
Burglary Other	0	13
Criminal Damage	11	58
Vehicle Crime	8	51
Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) incidents*	11	189

Further details/other crime/outcomes

- On August 2nd a van was broken into in The Drive and work tools were stolen. On August 24th a strimmer was stolen from a vehicle on Whitelands Avenue and a laptop stolen from a vehicle on Beechwood Avenue. Enquiries are continuing and motorists are being urged to remove all valuable items from vehicles when leaving them unattended.
- The weekend of August 6th to 8th saw an increase in Anti-Social Behaviour. Cars and houses in Carpenters Wood Drive, Blacketts Wood Drive and St Peters Way, reportedly had brown sauce and red paint thrown over them. Enquiries have been made but the offenders have not yet been traced.
- On August 19th, around Quickley Lane and Heronsgate road, three vehicles were damaged by being walked over. Enquiries have been made but the offenders have not yet been traced.
- On a more positive note, August saw a decrease in burglaries/ attempted burglaries.
- Due to issues of speeding in the area, throughout August PCSOs have been carrying out speeding checks around Chorleywood. More will be carried out in the month coming.

For more details on crime in your area please visit www.police.uk. Enter a postcode to see the 'crime map' for the local area.

*ASB is not defined as 'crime' however it has been included in this table for your information as it can affect the wider community and we (police) are jointly responsible with local councils for dealing with it. Recordable ASB includes neighbour disputes and noise nuisance, as well as issues such as regular rowdy behaviour in public places.

Other news and events

A number of distraction burglaries have been reported in Hertfordshire so please be aware of whom you are opening the door to, if they have no ID don't entertain them. Shut the door and call 101, if you feel threatened call 999.

Please keep in mind that cars need to be protected just as much as your house. Don't leave anything valuable in your car and always make sure it is locked, if you are unsure as to whether it is or not please double check, there is nothing wrong with checking a second time round.



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If you are still concerned about your home security, please let us know and we can arrange a date for a security check.

Useful information



You can follow your local team on Twitter @RickmansPolice

Chorleywood Parish Council area is covered by Police beat code C2D and E. The allocated officers from the Safer Neighbourhood Team, for this area are PCSO Harriet Robinson and PCSO Jessica Hill.

Visit www.herts.police.uk where you can find the latest police and crime news, crime prevention advice and people wanted by police.

Police non-emergency number 101. (In an emergency always use 999).

Contact Crime stoppers anonymously with information about crime on 0800 555 111.

Sergeant's Message

If you have any concerns about crime or anti-social behaviour please contact PCSO Harriet Robinson or PCSO Jessica Hill on 101 or by email harriet.robinson@herts.pnn.police.uk, jessica.hill@herts.pnn.police.uk. (In an emergency always use 999.)

Sgt Neil Canning

Rickmansworth and District Safer Neighbourhood Team

Chief Inspector's Message

This has been a busy summer period in Three Rivers, lots of very successful events with the Canal Festival and Croxfest, to mention just a couple, and some good news stories for us around catching and charging a number of criminals particularly for vehicle thefts, shoplifting and some burglaries. Our Neighbourhood teams have been bolstered with the arrival just before the summer of more PCSOs taking us back up to 20, which allowed us to visit more residents on our Safer Streets programme and work with a number of the more vulnerable in our community.

Our Neighbourhood Watch membership has increased to 50 per cent of the area which is great news and our co-ordinators have done some great work in supporting us. Our Specials, although small in number have been doing some work on the speeding priorities set by your local forums to good effect. If you would be interested in becoming a Special Constable please contact us as we are currently recruiting.

Over the past month we have seen a small increase in the number of burglaries and our theft from motor vehicles has increased in some areas. Many of these vehicles have been left unlocked with valuable items in them and I would ask you to consider ensuring that you do remove phones, wallets, handbags, sat navs and cash from your car before you leave it. As the nights begin to draw in we do tend to see an increase in



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early evening burglaries. We will be doing crime prevention work by visiting areas on our Safer Streets programme, we have some 'pop-up' crime prevention stalls in some of our key retail outlets and we will

have timer switches available. Our PCSOs will be looking at houses which could be vulnerable and offering crime prevention support. We will also be running a series of high visibility operations on some of our key arterial routes as a deterrent to travelling criminals from other areas. Please consider using timer switches to ensure that your house looks occupied particularly in the evenings. Neighbourhood officers will be available at railway stations to advise commuters on keeping their property protected in that travel time home from work.

Anti-social behaviour numbers have remained relatively low, fly-tipping is currently an issue and we are working on that with the local authority.

We will soon be into Halloween and Bonfire Night and our Neighbourhood teams will be doing some advisory work with Hertfordshire Fire and Rescue Service and carrying out extra evening patrols around that time. However, we would also urge people to think twice before assuming that all groups of teenagers who are hanging around in the park, or outside the local shops, are something to worry about. Most of them are simply socialising in a public place for convenience, security and just to be with their friends outside of school or college.

That said, if you are in any way concerned about their behaviour – if it is rowdy or disorderly for example – you can call police on the non-emergency number 101. Always dial 999 if a crime is in progress.

I would like to thank you for your support locally. I receive many thank you letters for both Officers and PCSOs and whilst it is always important to receive all forms of feedback and I can praise the teams myself, it means more to them when it comes from the people they are trying to protect.

Chief Inspector Deirdre Dent