



## Chorleywood – February 2017

### February 2017 crime & ASB figures\*

Offence	No. In Parish	No. in Three Rivers
Dwelling Burglary	2	13
Burglary Other	2	30
Criminal Damage	6	48
Vehicle Crime	7	47
Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) incidents*	3	148

### Further details/Other crime/Outcomes

- Burglary dwelling - February saw a significant decrease in burglaries.  
On February 5 there were two burglary dwellings. Laptops were stolen. Enquiries are continuing.
- Burglary other – Tools were stolen from a building site between February 3 and 6. Cash and CCTV equipment was stolen from a takeaway between February 10 and 11.
- Damage – A number of vehicles were damaged and damage was caused to a post box. All lines of enquiry have been followed to date.
- Vehicle crime - Vehicle crime is down from 11 reports in January to 7 in February.  
A vehicle was stolen from Hubbards Road, Chorleywood, on February 3. This vehicle was later recovered and enquiries are continuing.  
Items including a sat nav, an iPod, a laptop, number plates and power tools were stolen from vehicles.
- Throughout February a high number of residents received fraudulent phone calls. This involved the offenders contacting the victims over the phone, claiming to be a police officer and stating that the victim's bank accounts were involved in fraudulent activity. The fraudsters then asked the victims to withdraw a large amount of money and hand it over to a courier. Unfortunately a couple of residents have lost substantial amounts of money to this scam. The good news is that most residents who do receive these calls are not falling victims to this scam and are informing police.

Remember the police or banks will never ask for money or any of your account information. If you are suspicious about the person you are on the phone with, we suggest taking their contact information, including their warrant number, and calling back on a different line. If you are still not convinced, contact us on our non-emergency number 101.

### Crime prevention

Remember to 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. Do not create opportunities for burglars. Make sure your house is lit up and appear as though someone is home at all times.

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.

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



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For more details on crime in your area please visit [www.police.uk](http://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.

### 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 Jessica Hill and PCSO Lauren Maberly.

Visit [www.herts.police.uk](http://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 Jessica Hill or PCSO Lauren Maberly on 101 or by email [Jessica.hill@herts.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Jessica.hill@herts.pnn.police.uk) or [Lauren.maberly@herts.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Lauren.maberly@herts.pnn.police.uk). (In an emergency always use 999.)

I would encourage you all to sign up to OWL, the Online Watch Link system, which helps to keep communities safe, reduce crime and keep people informed of what is going on locally. Through OWL, we will send you the latest local crime alerts. To register please visit [www.owl.co.uk](http://www.owl.co.uk).

**Sgt Neil Canning**  
**Rickmansworth and District Safer Neighbourhood Team**

### Police and Crime Commissioner Message

As Lent begins, many of us are trying to give something up – be it chocolate, drink or something else which could be considered as a vice. I've put the corkscrew away for a month and have given up the occasional glass of wine and cream cakes. There's always a bit of temptation to give in, but the long-term benefits are all too clear!

I saw a number of people having to give up a bad habit earlier this month, when I attended a police operation catching people who use their mobile phones at the wheel. The operation caught out 12 motorists who were using their devices whilst driving. They'll be punished, but the police officer running the operation told me it was as much about education and changing behaviour for the long-term, not a quick slap on the wrists. The additional points and fines available for magistrates to apply to convicted drivers will also help, but we must all confront this behaviour because of the risks it poses to society.

Whilst on the subject of fines, my new Action Fund launches this month. I have set aside funding raised from the proceeds of crime to help local community and voluntary groups to play their part in supporting efforts to reduce



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crime, as outlined in my recently published Community Safety and Criminal Justice Plan. In my view, this is the best way to spend money which comes from the Proceeds of Crime Act (POCA) – by putting it in the hands of the local community. The fund is being run by the Hertfordshire Community Foundation and it could fund work or training to community groups to put local safety initiatives into practice. You can find out more about how to apply by visiting the foundation’s website – [www.hertscf.org.uk](http://www.hertscf.org.uk) or by calling 01707 251 351.

Another area I hope to be able to apply the POCA money is in the battle against fly-tippers. We’ve seen some brazen fly-tipping activity in the county in recent months, with some of the worst cases being caught on camera. This is a crime which requires a multi-agency approach, with local councils and the police all playing a role in tackling the problem. I recently put £80,000 towards supporting the district and borough councils’ enforcement efforts around covert cameras to help catch those dumping rubbish unlawfully. The hope is to use POCA money to compensate landowners who have to pay to clear up the aftermath of these criminals’ actions. A reminder that, if you see this crime in progress you should dial 999 and not try and confront the offenders directly. Your local council will have details of how to report sightings of fly-tipping if you come across them.

**David Lloyd**  
**Police and Crime Commissioner for Hertfordshire**