



## Neighbourhood Watch

January 2018.



<b>Andover Rural</b>	
02/01/18	<b>Wherwell.</b> Two large fence posts stolen overnight.
04/01/18	<b>Thruxton.</b> Business premises on industrial estate entered overnight, white Mercedes Sprinter van stolen.
07/01/18	<b>Upper Clatford.</b> Car broken into overnight, tools stolen.
12/01/18	<b>Stockbridge Down.</b> Male exposed himself to dog walker at 10.30am.
13/01/18	<b>Upper Clatford.</b> Handbag stolen from secure car and later recovered in a ditch nearby.
14/01/18	<b>Stockbridge.</b> Male seen in rear garden of residential property early morning.
15/01/18	<b>Redenham.</b> Garden machinery stolen from store unit overnight.
09-17/01/18	<b>Abbots Ann.</b> Horse trailer stolen overnight.
15/01/18	<b>Hurstbourne Tarrant.</b> Property taken from farm grounds and from a secure car overnight. A suspicious white van was seen in the same area on 19/01/18.
15-17/01/18	<b>North Hampshire.</b> 25 lamb ewes missing from field, believed stolen.
20/01/18	<b>Amport.</b> Handbag stolen from secure car, located the following day but missing cash.
21/01/18	<b>Hampshire Golf Course.</b> Batteries stolen from 6 gold buggies overnight.
23/01/18	<b>Facombe.</b> Tools stolen from back of a truck between 12.00-13.00
25/01/18	<b>Grateley.</b> Generator stolen from outbuilding at approx. 05.00am with a further break on 26/01/18 at 04.00am.
22-23/01/18	<b>Chilbolton.</b> Outbuilding broken into & fuel siphoned from nearby car.
27/01/18	<b>Longstock.</b> Handbag taken from secure car at 17.00.
28/01/18	<b>Wherwell.</b> Two bicycles taken from residence overnight.
28/01/18	<b>Chilbolton.</b> Eggs and honesty box stolen.
30/01/18	<b>Barton Stacey.</b> Unknown male disturbed in back garden late at night.
27-29/01/18	<b>Thruxton.</b> 800L of diesel stolen from business yard & power tools stolen from secure van.
31/01/18	<b>Hurstbourne Tarrant.</b> Male disturbed while attempting to steal batteries from farmyard at approx. midday.

Inspector Paul Markham has moved to a new role and we welcome **Inspector Chris Taylor** who has taken over the role of Test Valley District Inspector.

**Operation Holly** which ran from 1 December 2017 to 1 January 2018 saw a total of 254 drivers caught under the influence of alcohol or drugs whilst driving, which is an increase from last year's total of 222.

**Beware Bank of Ireland £50 notes!** Counterfeit notes (green in colour and the old design) are being passed around by Irish men in Hampshire. Only accept the new style purple notes. [Click here for more information.](#)

**You wouldn't knowingly give a child a dangerous toy, so why risk buying them something that could be easily hacked into by strangers?**

The Data Regulator urges parents to consider the **safety concerns of their children** being connected to the internet from a young age. It comes amid growing fears over the potential for criminals to hack into toys using microphones, cameras, sensors and data

storage. Parents and carers who bought web-enabled devices such as smart phones, laptops and games consoles for children and teenagers at Christmas are urged to enable security settings to help protect them online. Consider restricting who is able to see pictures and personal information on social media applications and gaming consoles. Most of us will remember the 'Don't Talk to Strangers' campaigns, and this is just as relevant online and parents and carers have a role to play in activating privacy settings and making sure teenagers are aware of what they can do to protect themselves online. You can find advice on this subject here - <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers>

**Don't forget to register new electrical devices with Immobilise -**  
<https://www.immobilise.com/>

### **Cyber Crime:**

We are pleased to reassure you that NW is now a valued part of both Hampshire Constabulary and the PCC responses to cyber-crime and scams. A small but expert group of NWers are meeting again next week with two of the constabulary's team to share and focus on scams and issues which are affecting so many of us. On your behalf we completed a survey from the PCC's office in December and as a result have been invited to share our concerns and need for support at future meetings.

**NW is always focused on the most vulnerable in our communities - with cyber-crime and scams that could be you!** We aim to give you ways to protect yourselves and please remember **if it sounds too good to be true it probably is!**

New application forms for the grant or renewal of a **firearm and/or a shotgun certificate** came into effect from the beginning of the year. For more information and to access the application forms, please visit the Hampshire Firearms and Explosives licensing web page. - <https://www.hampshire.police.uk/services/firearms-and-explosives-licensing>.

**Lots of jewellery and watches have been recovered recently** – take a look at the Hampshire Constabulary 'Is this Yours' Flickr page - <https://www.flickr.com/photos/hampshireconstabulary>.

### ***Did you know ...***

According to research, Britons were bombarded with 2.2 billion nuisance phone calls and texts last year, normally relating to pensions, payment protection insurance (PPI) or other insurance products and more than six millions of these calls and texts messages were made daily. Consumers aged over 65 received more unsolicited calls than any other age. Government is being urged to put an end to these cold-calls.

If you have any information in relation to any criminal or suspicious activity please report it to the Police on **101** or anonymously via **Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or on line at [crimestoppers-uk.org](http://crimestoppers-uk.org)**.