



Latest news updates

July proved an eventful month as some Government restrictions eased. The gradual re-opening of pubs, cafes and non-essential shops has seen more people out and about and more traffic on the roads. We had more officers on duty on Saturday 4 July than on a typical New Years Eve, including 50 special constables on shift across the county, to ensure that communities were safe.

Alongside our partners, we maintained a visible presence to assist pubs and their staff, and to ensure members of the public were enjoying themselves safely. We're pleased to report that there were no significant problems that weekend.

The majority of people have been enjoying themselves sensibly, although we have been experiencing some anti-social behaviour at one or two pubs in Broughton Astley since restrictions were eased. These issues are mainly alcohol-related and we appeal for people to enjoy our pubs safely and drink responsibly.

Over the past couple of weeks, we have been carrying out licensing checks on pubs in the area to make sure the landlords are fully supported and that everything possible is being done to encourage responsible drinking, that rules and guidelines are being followed and that everyone's safety is being treated as a top priority. We will continue to work and engage with people who are visiting premises to ensure they are being safe and acting responsibly.

PC Butler & Sgt Jelbert conducting a street briefing with Harborough District Council partners ahead of joint patrols of Harborough,



Beat surgeries

In line with government advice around Covid-19, we have postponed our community consultations and beat meetings. Our officers will continue to be active in your community. We will re-arrange events as soon as we can. Remember you can always report crime by:

- Reporting online via www.leics.police.uk/report-online
- Calling 101

Neighbourhood Link

A great way of keeping in touch with us is through Neighbourhood Link where you will receive updates from the Lutterworth and Broughton Astley Beat Team. For more information or to sign up, please visit www.neighbourhoodlink.co.uk.

Meanwhile it had been business as usual for Lutterworth and Broughton Astley with our regular work continuing throughout July. We have:

- Patrolled ASB hotspots in Walcote and public places in Lutterworth and Broughton Astley
- Carried out foot patrols in Mere Lane
- Speed checks in Lutterworth
- Seized several vehicles for having no insurance and no tax. Fines and licence points were also issued
- Vehicles stopped and seized due to illegal tyres
- Recovered a vehicle that caused ASB and damage, there was evidence of drug use inside the car and it has also been reported to Kent Police as a stolen vehicle
- Assisted fire crews at a large fire on Magna Park
- Attended an RTC where a driver had life changing injuries. We ask that people please remember to always wear a seatbelt when driving.

Photo below shows a pallet fire in Magna Park, the scene was safely managed by police and the fire was tackled by fire crews.



We will continue to carry out ‘FATAL 4’ exercises these exercises focus on offences ‘most likely to cause death or serious injury’, the offences are: drink / drug driving, speeding, using a mobile phone while driving and not wearing seatbelts. Where we witness these offences being committed, we will prosecute.

Warmer weather — Keep your home safe

We have recently received several reports of burglaries across our local area. During the warmer months it can be tempting to leave windows and doors open or unlocked and burglars are often opportunistic. Take these simple steps to improve your home security:

- Keep windows and doors locked and secure when you go out or when you’re in the garden
- Keep valuables out of sight
- Don’t leave packaging for expensive items outside your home
- Don’t leave keys near windows and doors
- Check for potential access points, could someone use bins, ladders or garden furniture to reach windows? If so, store these elsewhere
- If you have a house alarm, make sure you set it when you go out or before you go to bed
- Make sure sheds and garages are locked securely
- If you’re replacing your windows, always pick a security accredited product as these windows are tested to British standards and are insurance approved. A good standard is PAS 24 2016.