

# Lutterworth and Broughton Astley

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Welcome to your Lutterworth and Broughton Astley police e-newsletter. Here you will find the latest news and crime prevention advice to help keep yourself safe.

## Neighbourhood Priorities- Anti-Social Behaviour

#### **ASB Broughton Astley - Tree Damage**

An initiative to plant a number of new trees in Broughton Astley has been set back. Trees planted on the park off Croft Way and near to Devitt Way had canes pulled out and smashed, and saplings removed.

The trees were planted by a number of fantastic volunteers who gave up their spare time to help to improve the open spaces around the village.

Anyone with information relating to the damage caused is asked to contact local officers by email at michelle.skingsley@leics.police.uk or courtnie.ayres@leics.police.uk

## **School Traffic**

#### Broughton Astley - School Traffic...please don't Idle!

Idling means leaving a vehicle's engine running while it is stationary. We have had a number of complaints regarding vehicles that are idling on the roadside for quite some time, disturbing local residents.

While this is often because of everyday traffic, there are some instances, such as waiting for children outside schools when idling is not necessary and should be avoided.

Idling increases the amount of exhaust fumes in the air. T

Rule 123 of The Highway Code looks at 'The Driver and the Environment'. It states that drivers must not leave a parked vehicle unattended with the engine running or leave a vehicle engine running unnecessarily while the vehicle is stationary on a public road.

Local authorities have the power to issue £20 fixed penalties for engine idling if a motorist refuses to switch off their engine, regardless of the location under The Road Traffic Regulations 2002. There's potential for the fine to increase to £80.

Research suggests that 26% of those caught idling are spotted doing so outside schools.

## **Beat Surgeries**

#### March Beat Surgeries – Lutterworth

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April 5.00pm – 6.00pm Central Avenue Shops, Lutterworth Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April 5.00pm – 6.00pm Linden Drive Shops, Lutterworth Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 11.00am – 12.00pm Palmers Garden Centre, Ullesthorpe

#### March Beat Surgeries - Broughton Astley

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April 10.00 – 11.00am Leire Village Hall Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April 10.00am – 11.00am Ashby Magna Village Hall



#### **Tribute to Simon Cole**



With great sadness the force is paying tribute to former Chief Constable Simon Cole QPM, who died this week.

Simon, 55, had recently retired and had served in policing for 30 years. He was found dead at his home address in Kibworth Harcourt on 30 March.

The matter has been referred to the Coroner.

Our thoughts and prayers are with all of Simon's family and friends at this difficult time. Temporary Chief Constable Rob Nixon said: "It is

hard to put into words how devastating this news is for the entire force who loved and respected Simon. Our sansity and the particular sansity and particular s

"I know Simon had a great impact on many of the communities of Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland and his death will be a great loss to many of the people he worked with. All we can do is pull together and mourn the loss of a greatly respected man."

## **Neighbourhood Speeding Operation**



On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March PC 2872 Day conducted a local speeding operation in Husbands Bosworth. The presence of officers is there primarily as a deter-

If you would like officers to complete a Speeding Operation in your local area please let us know by using the one of the following methods:

Using the Neighbourhood Link service (if you are not already signed up you can do so at <a href="https://www.neighbourhoodlink.co.uk/">https://www.neighbourhoodlink.co.uk/</a>)

Use the contact form at <a href="https://www.leics.police.uk/">https://www.leics.police.uk/</a>

Come and see us at a Beat Surgery and talk to us in person about the issues you are seeing

# Claybrooke Primary and Dunton Bassett Primary School

On Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March PC 2872 James Day, PCSO 6056 Jay Bellamy and PCSO 6147 Caroline Charlesworth visited Claybrooke Primary School and Dunton Bassett Primary School. The officers spent time showing the children round the Police van and also speaking with them about all the different pieces of uniform they need to wear. Officers took along lots of additional kit so the children were all able to try on lots of jackets and hats.

These visits provide an opportunity for both the children and the Officers to get know each other and ensure the children know that we are there to help them should they need it.

