



News update

During April we experienced a number of incidents of burglary and vehicle crime in Broughton Astley and Lutterworth. In response to this we have increased our presence in Lutterworth, Broughton Astley and the surrounding villages. We're continuing to patrol and stop check vehicles, any found not to be roadworthy, or without insurance or tax will be recovered.

Here are a few ways that you can help prevent your vehicle from being targeted in a car key burglary:

- Consider installing CCTV
- Fit outdoor security lighting to the front and back of your home
- Install a visible intruder alarm
- Park your car in the garage
- If you don't have a garage, consider fitting lockable gates or a security post to your driveway
- Fit a high quality alarm, immobiliser or tracking device to your car
- Use a visible steering or wheel lock
- Always lock your vehicle and make sure the doors, windows and boot are secure
- Don't leave car keys in view, avoid leaving them near windows, doors or cat flaps where opportunists could reach keys or exploit keyless entry cars

Domestic abuse - where to get help during the COVID-19 pandemic

Domestic violence – Please do not suffer in silence. We are continuing to deal robustly with those committing domestic violence. Please call us and let us try to help. If you don't want to call us please see the other numbers or organisations that will listen and help you.

We know that COVID-19 will have a serious impact on the lives of women, children and men who are experiencing domestic abuse. Fears over jobs, financial pressures, schools closures, working from home and all the other current changes to our day to day lives are likely to result in an increase in domestic violence incidents.

Current restrictions may mean you are unable to see friends and family who usually support you and some of the places you go for help or treatment may be closed or offering a reduced service. Please remember that you can still call **999** if you or someone else is in danger. While some services may not be able to offer face to face meetings, there is still help and advice available locally and nationally online and over the phone.

United Against Violence and Abuse (UAVA). A domestic abuse service in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland: 0808 802 0028. www.uava.org.uk

If you're a child or young person and domestic abuse is happening in your home or relationship, then call Childline on 0800 1111

COVID-19 update

Leicestershire Police continue their positive approach to policing, utilising the new powers we have received to help keep people safe during these difficult time.

Chief Constable Simon Cole has thanked residents of Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland for their continued support as officers go that extra mile to protect communities.

We will continue to exercise 'our duty', as we have always done. We will protect you. We will engage positively. We will explain. We will be there when you need help - and we will take action to protect you and others from harm.

In support of this, help us to help you. Stay at home and together we will save lives.



Outstanding work

Across the force, officers are going above and beyond in their duties every day. This includes Beat Officer, PC Maciej (Mack) Sokolowski, who, despite being on the frontline is also producing face straps for healthcare staff using his 3D printing company. Some 350 have already been delivered to the Leicester Royal Infirmary, while others have gone elsewhere across the country.

The straps are designed to help alleviate discomfort around the ears that can be caused by the elastic on the masks.

In addition, Police volunteers have also delivered hundreds of pharmacy packages to vulnerable people across Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland and continue to do so.

