

# Lutterworth and Broughton Astley

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## Latest news updates

August was a busy month with a variety of different issues to deal with across Lutterworth, Broughton Astley and the surrounding areas.

We're still living through a pandemic and to prevent a second lockdown, we need to find a way back to a new normal while still being careful of our actions, what we do and how we socialise, ensuring face coverings are worn where necessary and social distancing is maintained. As restrictions ease, there has been a notable increase in traffic on the roads and a rise in alcohol related issues. Everything you need to know about current restrictions and guidance can be found on the Government website: www.gov.uk/coronavirus.

During the second week of August, we were called to a suspected rave near Lutterworth, local officers attended and found 100-200 people in the area. Our officers reminded people of the current restrictions in place and the impact their actions could have and the group were dispersed. There were no offences reported, however there was a big mess left behind. We all need to be aware of where our children are and what they are doing, it's important to discourage this sort of behaviour and help them understand how these incidents can put friends and family at risk.

Along with the Covid-19 related incidents, we have also dealt with a lot of vehicle crime, including incidents of drink driving. We have stopped multiple cars in the area for having no valid insurance or road tax, and in some instances, no valid driving licences either. We have also dealt with a number of speeding offences and attended road traffic collisions. On one occasion a driver was stop-checked for using his mobile phone while driving and officers also discovered he had no driving licence and no

insurance.

Tackling speeding is one of our current beat priorities. We're currently organising a number of speeding operation which will take place in the local area throughout September.

This vehicle was stop checked in Broughton Astley at the end of August. The driver was found to be disqualified from driving until June 2021 and the insurance had been cancelled due to non payment. The vehicle was seized and a court date will follow.



# **Beat surgeries**

We're starting to run our beat surgeries again!

PCSO Laura Bolton will be at the Parish Council Offices, Station Road, Broughton Astley on Wednesday 9 September, 7-8pm. Please pop along & have a chat with us.

#### **Vehicle Registration Plate Thefts**

We have seen an increase in the number of thefts of registration plates from cars in the villages close to Broughton Astley. These thefts may seem like a minor offence as well as an inconvenience, however, the plates can be placed on other cars to disguise a stolen vehicle or to be used in criminal activity so if the registration plates are stolen from your vehicle, it's important that you report this to the police as soon as possible. You can do this by reporting online via <a href="www.leics.police.uk/reportonline">www.leics.police.uk/reportonline</a> or calling 101.

A good way of preventing these thefts is to use anti-theft screws, clutch-head screws are much more difficult to remove than standard screws and act as a good deterrent. These can be purchased by yourselves or we can provide them to you. Contact your local police if you would like a pack of anti-theft screws.

### **Neighbourhood Link**

Here's a reminder to sign up to Neighbourhood Link! It's a great way of keeping in touch with us, once registered you can receive updates and crime prevention advice from the Lutterworth and Broughton Astley Beat Team

We're encouraging people to sign up to Neighbourhood Link and keep up to date with what's going on in your area, you will receive email alerts from your local policing team, telling you about latest news and any issues in the area. It will also tell you what our key priorities are and what we're doing to deal with these local issues.

You will also be sent occasional surveys via Neighbourhood Link, completing these surveys gives you the opportunity to influence your beat team's local priorities, you can also communicate with your local policing team and choose what area of interest you want to be kept informed about so that you can tailor the information you receive. We now have over 20,000 people across Leicester, Leicestershire & Rutland signed up for Neighbourhood Link and it really is worthwhile.

In a recent survey published via Neighbourhood Link, residents across Lutterworth, Broughton Astley and the surrounding villages told us that they would like us to prioritise anti-social behaviour, vehicle crime and speeding. These concerns are now our local beat priorities and each month, in this newsletter, we will tell you what we have been doing to combat these issues.

