

# Bracebridge Heath & Cliff Villages Neighbourhood Policing Team

## YOUR LOCAL TEAM



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## FORTHCOMING ENGAGEMENTS

## OUR PRIORITIES THIS QUARTER

Every three months, we listen to your concerns and look at recent crime statistics to shape the things we will concentrate on for the next three months. Based on this, our priorities for the next quarter are:

- 1. Patrols re Anti Social Behaviour at Washingborough Community Centre Car Park/Playing fields.**

If you think there is an issue we should be focusing on, please get in touch at one of our public engagement events or contact us by email or social media.

## WHAT HAS BEEN HAPPENING

### **Bike marking**

There was an excellent uptake for bike marking kits, with over 40 packs delivered by the Hykeham and Bracebridge Heath neighbourhood policing teams.

## **Romance Scams**

Within the last month the policing team has attended two separate frauds. Romance Fraud occurs online where money is fraudulently obtained from victims who genuinely believe they are in a personal relationship when, in fact, they are being tricked.



## **Fake NHS text messages circulating, informing the public that they're eligible for a Covid-19 vaccine**

The scam message reads "We have identified that you are eligible to apply for your vaccine" which prompts you to click on a link to find out more and to "apply" for the vaccine. The link directs you to a convincing fake NHS website, where fraudsters can coerce you to divulge personal or financial details. Any texts or emails containing URLs should always be treated with caution and we'd urge for members of the public to avoid clicking links in unsolicited texts or emails.

Texts or emails that ask you to provide information such as your name, date of birth or financial details are scams and if you're ever unsure about these types of messages, ignore or delete them.

Cold calls that ask you to provide personal or financial details or ask you to pay over the phone to access the vaccine have also been reported. If you receive one of these calls, hang up immediately.

### WANT TO KNOW MORE?

Crime statistics for your neighbourhood are available at: <https://www.police.uk/>

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