# Bracebridge Heath Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT)

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We hope that you have had a safe and peaceful Christmas and we look forward to a safe and hopefully prosperous New Year. Crime wise the area has been quiet which is good news, notwithstanding if you are one of the few who has been victim of a crime that will be of little comfort. Our roads remain the focus of tragic loss with fatalities seen in our county and most locally at Bracebridge Heath. Police will be doubling efforts with regards to roadside breath testing over the so make sure you and others do the right thing and set yourself up for a safe and happy and New Year.

## **Quarterly NPT Priorities**

Every three months your local NPT listens to your concerns and looks at recent crime statistics to shape the things we will concentrate on for the next three months. Our priority for the forthcoming quarter (Jan/Feb/March) will be;

### 1. Misuse of Drugs and Drug Dealing

Illegal drugs are the driving factor behind most acquisitive crime, shop theft, burglary and robberies. It is one of the most destructive things to our society and young people with involvement are often set back, and their future opportunities limited. For this reason we will be focusing upon targeting drug dealers and drug supply for the in order to disprupt the supply of drugs.

If you witness drugs being abused in public spaces, smell cannabis coming from an address or a vehicle being driven or have knowledge or suspicion of drug dealing please call the information in on 101 or report it online. If you wish to remain anonymous you can report it via Crimestoppers which is a charity independent of the Police on 0800 555 111 – you may attract a reward for the information.

#### **In Other News**

Internet and telephone enabled frauds remain prevalent with one victim on our area being defrauded of £75000 with what is believed to have been through information gained over the telephone from the victim. It is easy to negatively judge the vicim and aportion an element of blame. The truth is there is a scam for everyone. Please be cautious of emails, texts and telephone calls. They may be purporting to be from genuine companies or even the Government offering deals to entice you into clicking on the link......the link may contain malicious software that enables the criminal to browse your PC and access your bank accounts or be a link to make payment for something minor such as a parcel delivery fee which will require input of your bank details.....and they then empty your account. Be aware and if its unexpected, not requested or you are simply unsure don't engage with it.

### Join Nextdoor for Lincs Police Updates

Nextdoor is a free, social networking platform where residents can get in touch with their neighbours and local police officers to help keep their neighbourhood safe.Communities across the country have been using nextdoor for several years and over 80,000 people in Lincolnshire are already registered. You can receive safety advice, urgent alerts, appeals and messages from Lincolnshire Police.

## **Special Constables in Lincolnshire Police**

Have you considered joining Lincolnshire Police as a Special Constable? You would be trained and operate with full time Police Officers in serving and protecting your community. It is both challenging and rewarding and a good route into a career as a full time Police Officer. Search our website for information about joining as a Special Constable at www.lincs.police.uk

This quarter we have seen several shed breaks with return visits by the offender to a "soft target" shed containing a volume of tools. We have also seen several masked offenders in Bracebridge Heath and Branston trying car doors at night with some success in stealing so please be vigilant in securing your vehicles.

### Want to know more?

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



More information about fraud & scams can be found at www.lincs.police.uk For reporting fraud or attempts at fraud and cyber crime call 0300 123 2040 which is the Action Fraud Line. Always be aware that incoming phone numbers and emails/websites can be cloned by the fraudster, a technique known as "Spoofing". Connect with Lincolnshire Police on "Nextdoor"

#### Crime statistics

Crime Statistics for your neighbourhood are available at: https://www.police.uk/ Nextdoor is a great way of getting the latest relevant information for your area. Join at: https://nextdoor.co.uk/find-neighborhood/

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