

Richmond Town News Letter.



Welcome to the first News letter from your Safer neighbourhood team at Richmond. We hope to produce these News Letter as often as possible the aim is to inform you of the more positive actions that we take as well as issues and results achieved. We hope to keep it varied and interesting and open to suggestions.

Richmondshire neighbourhood inspector.

Inspector Mark Gee has over 25 years experience in policing. Mainly within neighbourhood policing at all ranks. He has been a beat manager, Beat sergeant and now leads the Neighbourhood Team in Richmondshire. The District covers 509 square miles and is actually larger than four English counties, but only around 52,000 people live within its boundaries.



Community issues and action taken.

Vehicles have been reported driving the wrong way down Finkle street and Rosemary Lane. These are one way with visible no entry signs. We are requesting that all motorists adhere to the signage. We have visited the site at early mornings and deterred this from happening again., please take this as a polite warning. Moving forward, If officers witness this they will be taking positive action and issuing tickets to the drivers.

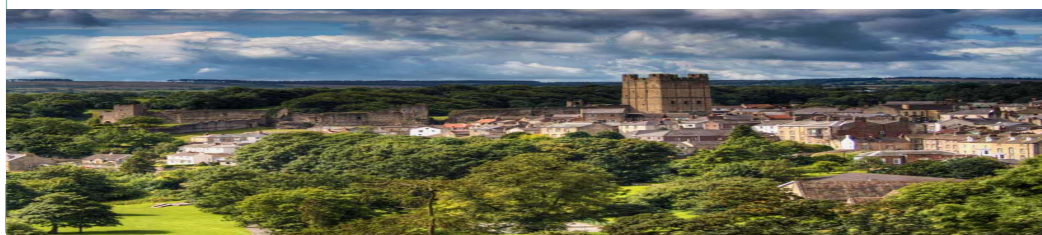
We have received an increase in reports of Anti-social behaviour around the Toilets and gardens in Richmond. This is being monitored and we aim to increase police presence in this area. Please report via 101 or 999 If you witness any anti-social behaviour or crimes please contact us.

General security advice. Please lock all shed and out houses as well as keep all bike secure, we have a number of push bikes that have been recovered and we would like the owners to come and collect them. Any Enquiries call 101 or visit the local station.

Due to the nicer weather coming in we are seeing more Motorbikes in the town, to take this opportunity to pass a bit of safety advice. Please make sure that after having the bikes stored over the winter you have checked them or get them checked and are 100% happy they are road ready. We do not want to attend an accident that could have been avoided.

UP And COMING EVENTS.

- Wednesday 3rd April. 2nd Fraud Victim support group to be held at Richmond Library at 1300hrs
- Mobile police surgery on the 7th April.
- 27th April Fighting Fraud in the market place 10am– 12pm



HOT TOPIC!!

FRAUD.

- 53% of people aged 65 or older have been targeted by criminals
- Average age of victims is 75 years
- Loneliness is a factor leading to fraud vulnerability
- Victims can experience anxiety, embarrassment, depression, social isolation and a decline in health
- In some cases victims have considered, attempted or committed suicide
- Men loose on average almost three times as much money to cyber criminals than women
- It is estimated that only 5% of fraud victims make a report
- Estimated cost to the UK economy annually is £190bn
- 500 incidents of identity fraud daily
- Fraud losses on bank/credit cards totalled £566m in 2017
- Only 54% of UK residents routinely check financial statements.

Contact Action Fraud on
0300 1232040
or via their website

www.actionfraud.police.uk to report the scam as a crime call 101/999. Contact your bank so that they may secure your account and prevent the loss of any further funds

TOWN COUNCIL REPORT



February - March

16th February – Suspicious circumstances. Report from a resident that she can see flash lights in the castle grounds the castle is closed and nobody should be in there. Officers attended and conducted an area search but negative gains.

17th February – Anti-social behaviour. Report of 2 males causing a nuisance and attempting to shop lift in Costa Coffee shop. Officers attended and located males, Reporting person did not want to take any further action therefore words of advice given to the youths and advised that they are banned from the premises.

18th February – Theft. Report of a female shop lifting at boots, Female was located and identified. She was issued with a community resolution and was ordered to pay for the goods. This has been complied with and resolved.

18th February – Burglary Report of a residential building above Costa being broken into. The owner was in the premises doing building works when a rock has been thrown through a window. No entry gained and no suspects located after an area search. CCTV requested which is of poor quality therefore no Positive ID made.

21st February – Suspicious Circumstances. Report anti-social behaviour at the water falls in Richmond. Officers attended and conducted an area search but negative gains.

23rd February – ASB nuisance. Report of children knocking on doors and running away in the I'Anson road area. Passed to officer to pay passing attention to. Only 1 report received.

23rd February – Suspicious circumstances. Report of a man being attacked in the Golden Lion however upon officer arrival the victim could not remember what had happened due to being intoxicated. No complaint was made.

24th February - ASB. Report of a group of males fighting outside the Unicorn Pub. Upon officer arrival all is in order and the group of males are friends and are laughing with each other. No complaints made.

24th February – ASB. Report of 2 males that are banned from weather spoons are causing a nuisance outside the pub. Officers attended and males had left before arrival.

27th February – Suspicious circumstances. Report of male door to door collecting for a charity (British heart foundation) all 3 males located and checked. All in order and advised to call 101 ahead of their canvassing.

27th February – Shop Theft. Female stolen food stuffs from Boots Chemist. CCTV obtained. Still under investigation.

27th February – ASB. Report Trinity school, Richmond. Youths are using the playing field to meet up and smoke in the shelter. Officers advised to increase patrols and deal with children accordingly. Issue ongoing.

27th February – Criminal Damage. Report received from a resident that he has had his vehicle damaged. He resides near the water falls and this is becoming a regular occurrence. No suspects and officers to patrol and provide reassurance.

1st March – Suspicious circumstances. Report 18 – 20 males walking in the market square trying car doors. Only one report received and no males located upon officers arrival.

4th March – Suspicious Circumstances Report scrap collectors in the Reeth Road area. Historical report and no requirement for officer attendance. Reporting person advised to call immediately in future to allow officers a chance to locate the suspects.

4th March – Burglary. Report Nuns close car park toilets have been entered prior to the cleaner's arrival. No forensics or witnesses.

7th March – Criminal Damage. Reports Richmond castle has had a store cupboard external door kicked in causing damage to the door and lock. No suspects Identified.

9th March – Criminal Damage. Wall behind the cricket club has been kicked down; female identified however ownership of the wall is yet to be determined. Still under investigation.

9th March – Shop Theft. Shop theft from Lidl store. Male located and dealt with accordingly.

11th March – Shop Theft. Goods stolen from co-op Richmond. Suspects identified and charged to court.

15th March – Criminal Damage. Report of criminal damaged cause to the nuns close carpark toilets. No CCTV no suspects.

18th March – RTC Serious. Male knocked over by a bus outside SFX School. Officers attended to find off duty paramedics with child, bus driver was in order and not believed to be at fault. Child taken by air ambulance to James Cook Hospital.

20th March ASB Nuisance. Report of 3-4 young males playing football along and across the road close to Nuns close car park. Officers patrolled the area to negative gains.

21st March – Shop Theft. Two males stolen goods from McColls shop on Gilling road, males identified and being dealt with accordingly.

Summary

We encourage the local community to continue to report any suspicious activity. The more you report the more it will help the Police to detect and prevent crime. Finally if you have any information or can assist with any of the above reports, please can you contact a member of the Richmond Town NPT on the 101 number?

We currently are experiencing an increase of calls around Anti-social behaviour in several areas and around the general behaviour of Youths in our town. We are working closely with other agencies and the youths to ensure everything possible is done to steer the youths onto the right path. This is a big problem in the town and unfortunately becoming a daily occurrence. Please report anything or anyone acting suspicious and/or in an inappropriate manner.

Door to Door sellers are a nuisance to our town and should always be called in to NYP via 999/101. Please follow security advice and ensure all vehicles and premises are secure, the same applies to scrap metal collectors.

Due to the behaviour of the young people in our community and criminal damage caused in the town the toilets have now been put out of use.

Poachers and quad bike thefts are still a drain on the town's resources.

We have recently seen an increase in the number of curtain sided Lorries being cut and stolen from targeted areas are Barton Truck Park and the laybys on the A66. Patrols have been increased again pulling resources away from the town.