



Lynton, Lynmouth & Exmoor

Lynton Police May 2018 Newsletter

**KEEP YOUR TOOLS
KEEP IT LOCKED**

Thieves are targeting vans in your area

- Park in a well-lit area at night
- Remove high value tools when left unattended
- Ensure vans are secured with alarms and good quality locks
- Don't leave anything on display

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Report crime online at dc.police.uk/reportcrime
In an emergency always call 999

Devon & Cornwall Police

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Secure your Van and Tools

Thieves are currently targeting trade vans to steal hand and power tools

- Keep the van locked at all times, even if unattended for just a few moments. Remove tools overnight.
- Upgrade the security on your van and fit an independent alarm. Do not rely on the factory fitted alarm. Select one accredited by Thatcham Research – www.thatcham.org and always use it. Contact your local dealership for advice and information on the latest available security upgrades.
- Consider installing a monitoring system in your van to alert you of intruders.
- Fit additional locks on your van doors as some manufacturer's locks can be picked, which will disable the alarm.
- Install a quality tool chest and secure it with a padlock approved by Sold Secure – www.soldsecure.com
- Mark your tools so that they are easily identifiable as belonging to you. Some ways to mark your property include:
 - 1, Engraving – engrave your name, telephone number, house number and postcode on items.
 - 2, Forensic marking – Use a forensic marking kit such as www.selectadna.co.uk or www.smartwater.com

Register your items with UK National property register – Immobilise www.immobilise.com – keep an up to date list of your tools, including photographs and serial numbers. This will help all UK police forces trace owners if the property is recovered.

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Summer madness - motorcycle safety

Devon & Cornwall Police is urging motorcyclists to stay safe on the region's roads this summer.

Nationally motorcycles, mopeds and scooters make up around 2% of all traffic on the road and yet riders are proportionately over-represented in the collision casualty statistics, contributing to over 20%.

“It is important to understand that in this police area this small percentage of road users accounts on average for about 30% of collisions resulting in death or serious injury, significantly above the national figure. It's a stark indication of how vulnerable motorcycle riders are.”

The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA) lists the five main types of collision involving motorcycles. At number one is failure to negotiate bends on **rural A roads**, of which there are many in Devon and Cornwall with even more smaller roads.

Here are Devon & Cornwall Police's top tips for motorcycle safety:

- Always wear protective clothing
- Always be visible
- Take extra care when riding on unfamiliar roads
- Be aware of other vehicles
- Adhere to the Highway Code and ride to the level of your ability
- Never stop learning – continually improve riding skills and awareness

In summary, take care, stay aware and protected and, above all, enjoy safe riding across Devon and Cornwall.

For more information check out RoSPA web site –

www.rospa.com/road-safety/advice/motorcyclists/ride-safe/

Theft from vehicles

Now the nicer weather is with us, we are all trying to get out into the countryside for walking and enjoying our lovely scenery, but unfortunately there is a down side to leaving our vehicles in remote places, even in our very low crime area, by taken a few simple steps your trip out won't be spoilt by your vehicle being broken into.

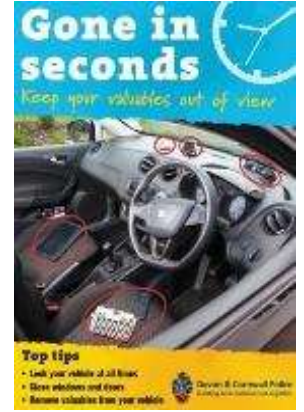
Top tips

- **DON'T** tempt thieves by leaving items on display
- **DO** lock your vehicle at all times

The following items are of particular interest to the thief so should never be left in your vehicle:

- Satellite navigation
- Charging cables
- Mobile phones
- Laptops
- Wallets/ purses/ credit and debit cards
- Electrical Items
- Jewellery
- Cash/ cheque book
- Power Tools & Work Equipment
- Vehicle registration documents

- **Empty your car before someone else does!**



Crimes reported in April 2018

Lynton & Lynmouth

- 1 x Common Assault
- 1 x Possess with intent to supply a controlled Drug of class B – Cannabis
- 1 x Possess a controlled drug of class B Cannabis/Cannabis Resin
- 1 x Theft from a Motor Vehicle

Countisbury & Brendon

None

ActionFraud
Report Fraud & Internet Crime
0300 123 2040

Parracombe & Martinhoe

None

CRIMESTOPPERS
0800 555 111
Call anonymously with information about crime

Challacombe

None

Kentisbury & Trentishoe

None

Arlington

None.



Tel 101 or go to the web
www.victimcaredevonandcornwall.pnn.police.org.uk
Victim but no crime report.
Tel. 0300 303 0554



May 2018 Police Surgeries

Held once a week for 1 hour in The Library at Lynton, and for ½ an hour every 4 weeks at The Staghunters Inn, Brendon and The Black Venus Inn at Challacombe. An officer of Lynton's local policing team will be available for you to talk to about any concerns you might have in your Neighbourhood.

Dates and times for each location.

- Tuesday 01 /05/18 Lynton Library Cancelled
- Tuesday 08/05/18 Lynton Library 3-4pm
- Wednesday 09/05/18 Staghunters Inn 2-2.30pm
- Monday 14/05/18 Black Venus Inn 2-2.30pm
- Tuesday 15/05/18 Lynton Library 3-4pm
- Tuesday 22/05/18 Lynton Library 3-4pm
- Tuesday 29/05/18 Lynton Library Cancelled

(Due to last minute emergencies it is possible an officer is unable to attend)

If you cannot attend one of the Surgeries you can still -



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Open from 0900h to 1700h Monday to Friday (closed 1315-1400 lunch) Closed bank holidays



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