



## **New Forest Accredited Community Safety Officer's( ACSO's) Weekly Community Bulletin**

Week Ending Friday 19<sup>th</sup> of July 2013

### **Shoppers in the new Forest are being urged to be vigilant after a number of distraction thefts have been reported to police.**

Published: Wednesday, July 17, 2013



At Morrisons car park, Totton, a 74-year-old Ashurst woman was distracted by a thin white man in his thirties with an Eastern European accent. He held out a map and asked for directions. Although suspicious, the woman knew that her handbag was safely tucked away behind her car seat.

The incident occurred at about 1.15pm Saturday, June 29.

When the man finally left, she checked her bag. It was in the same place she had left it. Her purse was still in the bag, but, when she opened the purse, she saw that two of her debit cards were gone, including the one she had just used to pay for her shopping.

The woman immediately returned to the store, where staff helped her cancel the missing cards. In the meantime, the offenders already had withdrawn £300.

Lyndhurst PC Ian Cross is investigating the incident. He said: "The speed at which these offenders are working means that they have probably seen the victims PIN code being entered at the till. If you notice people acting suspiciously inside supermarkets or you are approached by someone in the car park, please report it to police as soon as possible."



PC Cross also offered some tips to keep your property safe when shopping:

- When entering a PIN code at a till or cash point, always shield the buttons.
- Never leave your bag on the trolley unattended and always ensure it is closed.
- When putting shopping away in the boot, always ensure your handbag or wallet is with you.
- If you are distracted for even a moment while putting shopping away, keep handbags with you or lock them in the vehicle before speaking to or helping anyone.
- If asked for directions or to look at maps, ensure your lock personal items in the vehicle first.
- Do not leave valuables on display in your vehicle.
- When filling up with fuel, lock your vehicle when refuelling and when you go to pay.
- If you are approached by anyone suspicious, report it to the police as soon as possible.

Anyone with information is asked to contact PC Cross at Lyndhurst CID on 101.

### Can you help?

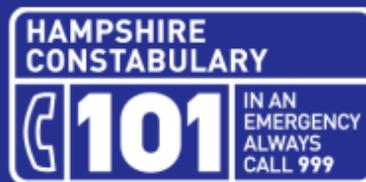
Anyone with information is asked to contact PC Ian Cross at Lyndhurst CID on 101 or call the Crimestoppers charity anonymously on the number shown below.

Minicom TextRelay users can call

**18001 101**

To contact an officer please use

[Contact an Officer Form](#)





# NEWS

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Targeting Crime and Antisocial Behaviour

## Operation Snakebite – don't get bitten by thieves

While snakebites and burglaries are relatively rare in the New Forest, they can both cause a lot of pain to their victims.

New Forest police are launching Operation Snakebite, aiming to tackle non-dwelling burglaries and they will be taking crime prevention messages into local communities this month.

Residents will be invited to chat to police, fire and council officers, at special midday to 5pm events on July 20 in Sway, and July 27 in Pilley, near Lymington.

Police officers will be calling at homes in the area, helping householders assess their security and suggesting ways to make outbuildings, bikes and other valuable property more secure. Visitors will also be encouraged to sign up to police Twitter feeds to keep them better informed about local crime issues.

The Safer New Forest Partnership will be offering crime prevention advice, security marking and selling padlocks, shed alarms and bike locks at very competitive prices.

New Forest Chief Inspector Tony Rowlinson said: "The Safer New Forest Partnership is staging these community engagement events in direct response to the spate of non-dwelling burglaries we have been experiencing in some rural areas in the south of the New Forest.

"We hope that local people will take some time to come and meet us and find out more about how best to protect their property, particularly outbuildings like sheds and garages, and reduce the risk of becoming a victim of theft."

New Forest District Council portfolio holder for Housing and Communities, Cllr Jill Cleary, said:

"These events are a great opportunity to take effective crime prevention steps to reduce the risk of thefts and break-ins. Just come along to say 'hello' and find out more about how you can benefit from good crime prevention."

For information about the work of the Safer New Forest Partnership visit: [www.safer.newforest.gov.uk](http://www.safer.newforest.gov.uk) or contact Stephanie Bennett on 023 8028 5588 or email [stephanie.bennett@nfdc.gov.uk](mailto:stephanie.bennett@nfdc.gov.uk)

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## What will your children be doing this summer?

School's out – but do you know what your children will be doing and where they are going this summer?

The summer holidays are a great time for youngsters to unwind and have fun, but if they're older and you are at work all day, too much spare time can lead to behaviour that negatively affects your neighbours and the community; and sometimes places them in dangerous situations.

The Safer New Forest Partnership urges parents of older children who will be left alone to find out what their plans are, where they are going and who they are spending their time with.

New Forest Chief Inspector Tony Rowlinson said: "Keep your older children out of danger this summer by talking to them about their plans for the day and warning them about the potential dangers of such things as messing around near roads or water, particularly 'tombstoning' (jumping off bridges into water).

"Please ask your children to think about the consequences of misbehaving, causing a nuisance to others or damaging the environment, for instance starting fires deliberately.

"The New Forest experienced real devastation as a result of fire-setting in the past and we hope parents will support us in spelling out the dangers of such irresponsible behaviour."

"We don't want to spoil summer holiday fun, but young people can sometimes get into all sorts of trouble through boredom or if egged on by their friends.

"Alcohol can be a problem and young people may take it from home to share with friends without parents' knowledge – so we suggest keeping any alcohol in a safe place and checking if any has gone missing."

Children can also be the victims of others' antisocial behaviour in the summer holidays and Hampshire police will respond to any reports made to the 101 phone line. In an emergency, always dial 999.

Cllr Jill Cleary, New Forest District Council portfolio holder for Housing and Communities, said: "The summer holidays should be a safe and happy time for your child to take a break from school. But we share police concerns that older youngsters should let their parents know what they are doing each day and also be informed about the consequences of antisocial behaviour.

Young people may be interested in taking part in a local summer activity scheme, such as those run by the Handy Trust on the Waterside, or enjoy a visit to some of the many local attractions in and around the New Forest."

Find out what's on for young people in the New Forest on the council's youth website [inq.org.uk](http://inq.org.uk)

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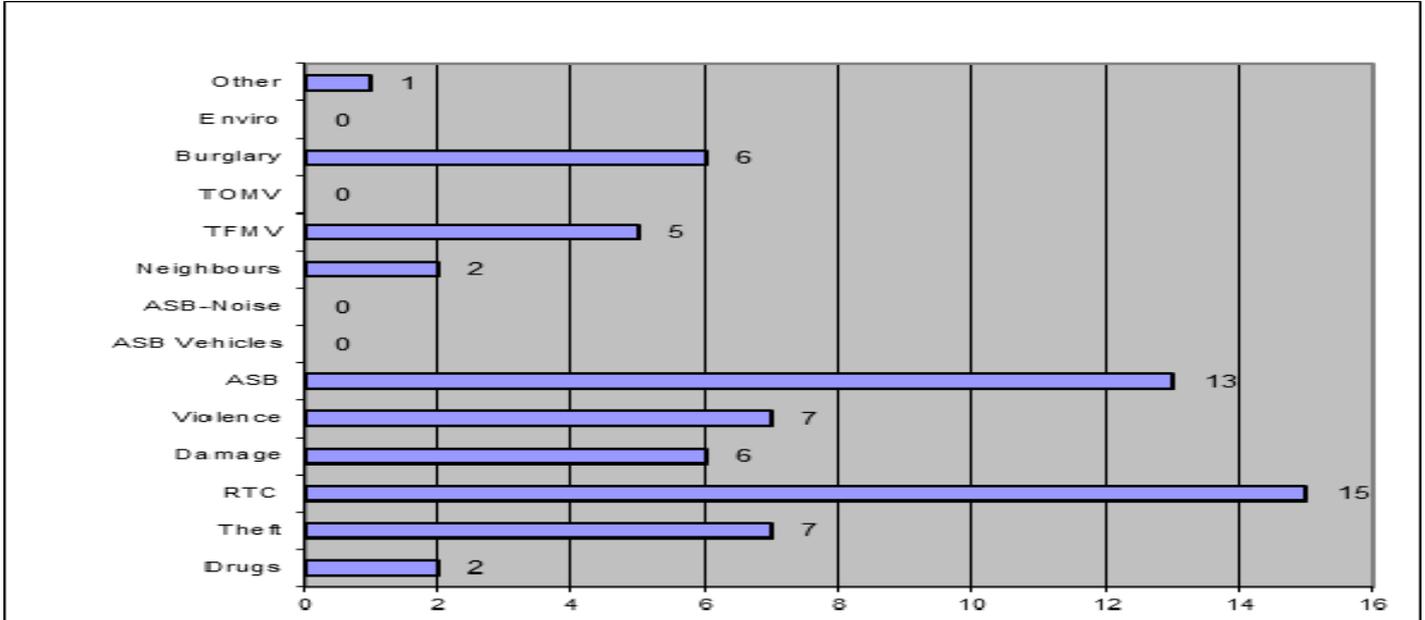
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## New Forest North

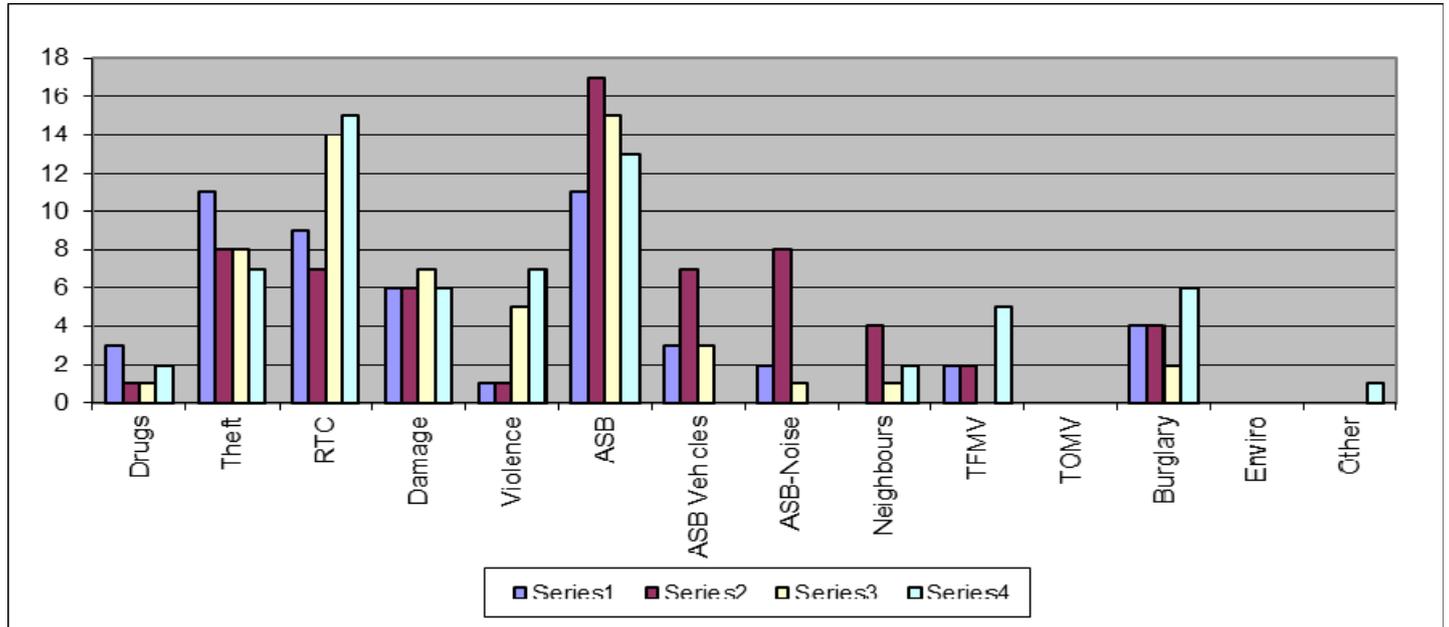


- Ashurst & Netley Marsh
- Burley & Bransgore
- Cadnam
- Damerham
- Fordingbridge
- Hightown
- Ibsley
- Lyndhurst
- Poulner & Ellingham
- Ringwood Town

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Last 4 weeks Including 19/07/2013(Series 4)



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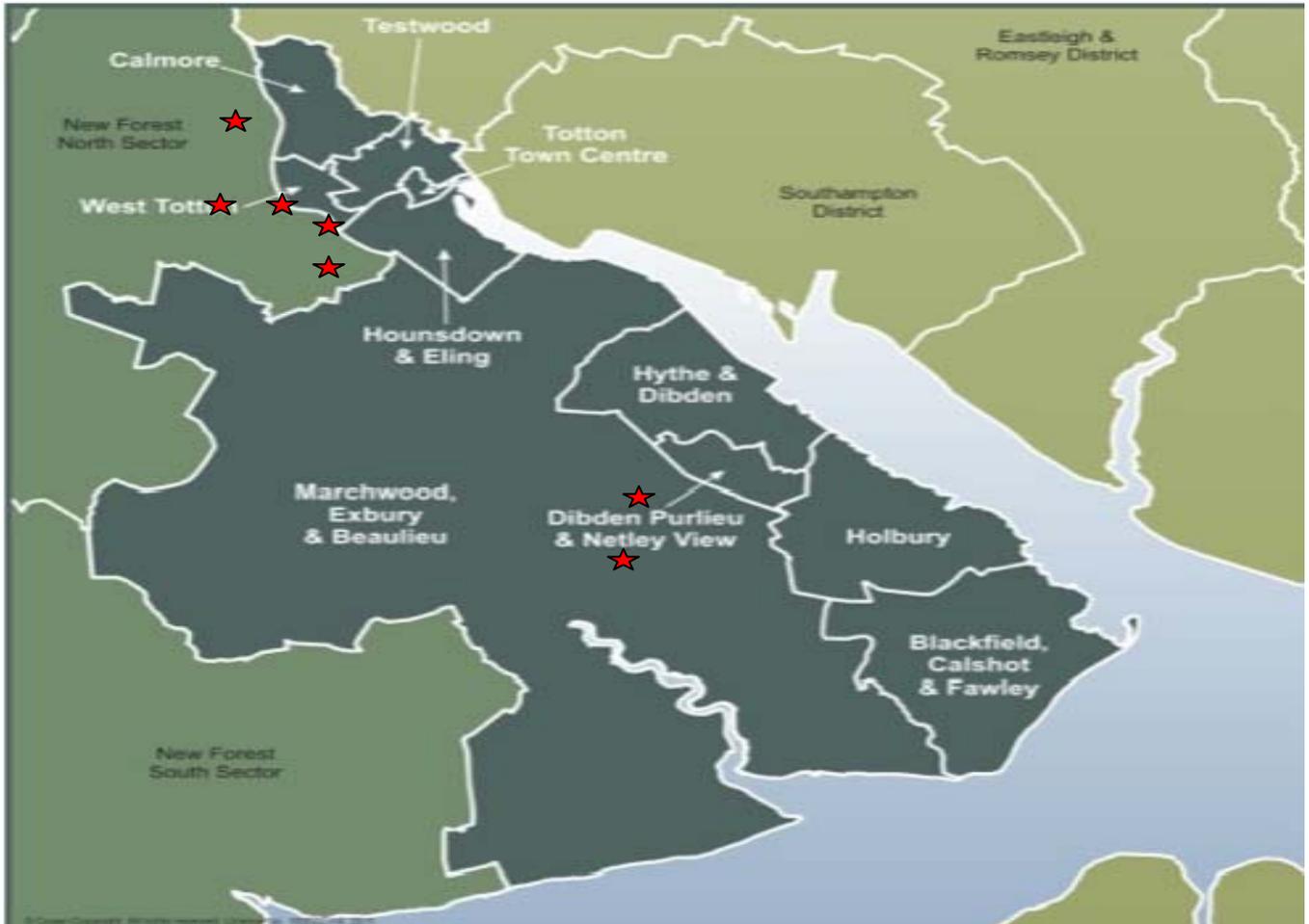
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ASB- Anti Social Behaviour

More detailed information for your exact neighbourhood can be viewed at:

[www.crimereports.co.uk](http://www.crimereports.co.uk)

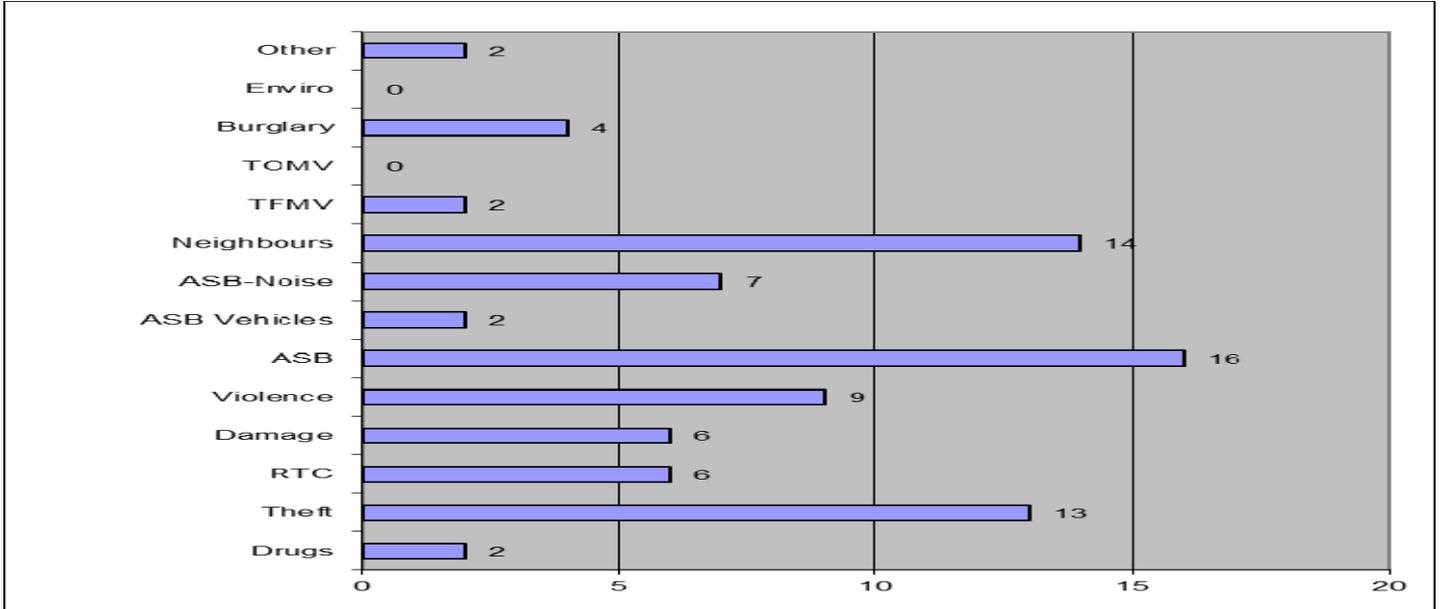
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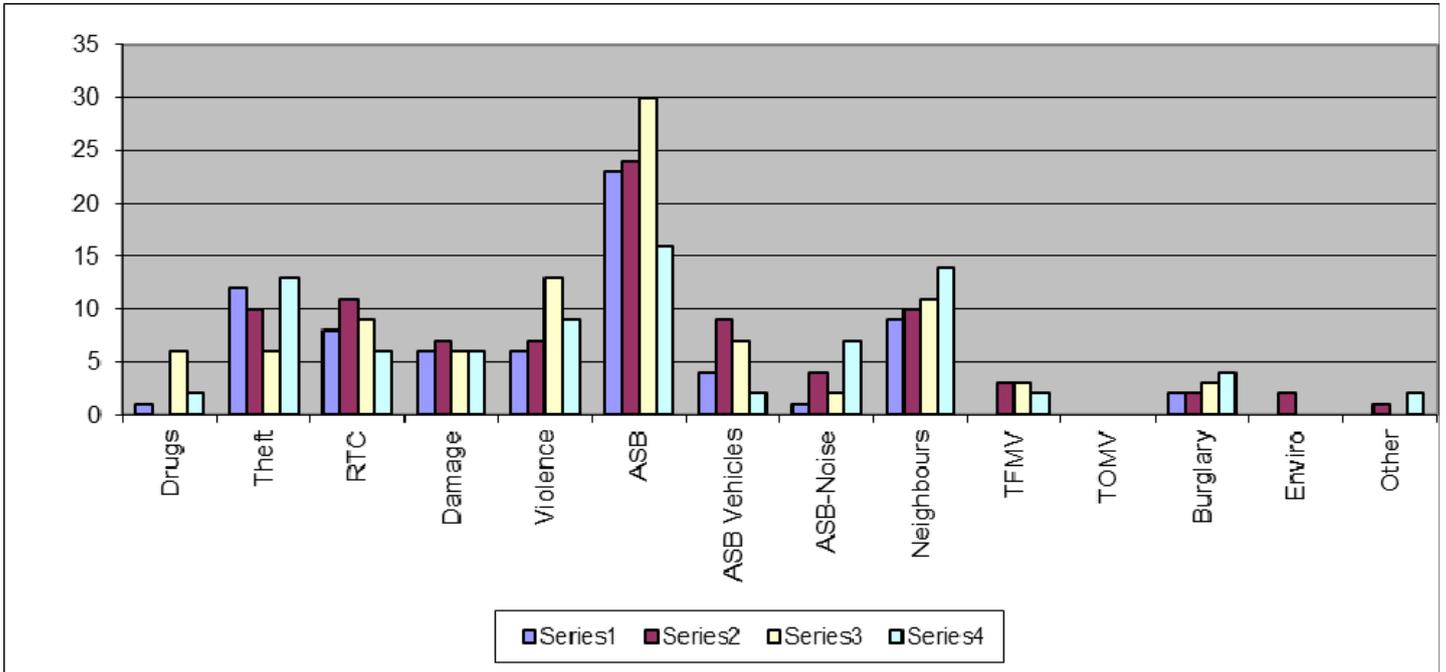
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- Calmore
- Dibden Purlieu & Netley View
- Holbury
- Hounslow & Eling
- Hythe And Dibden
- Marchwood, Exbury & Beaulieu
- Testwood
- Totton Town Centre
- West Totton

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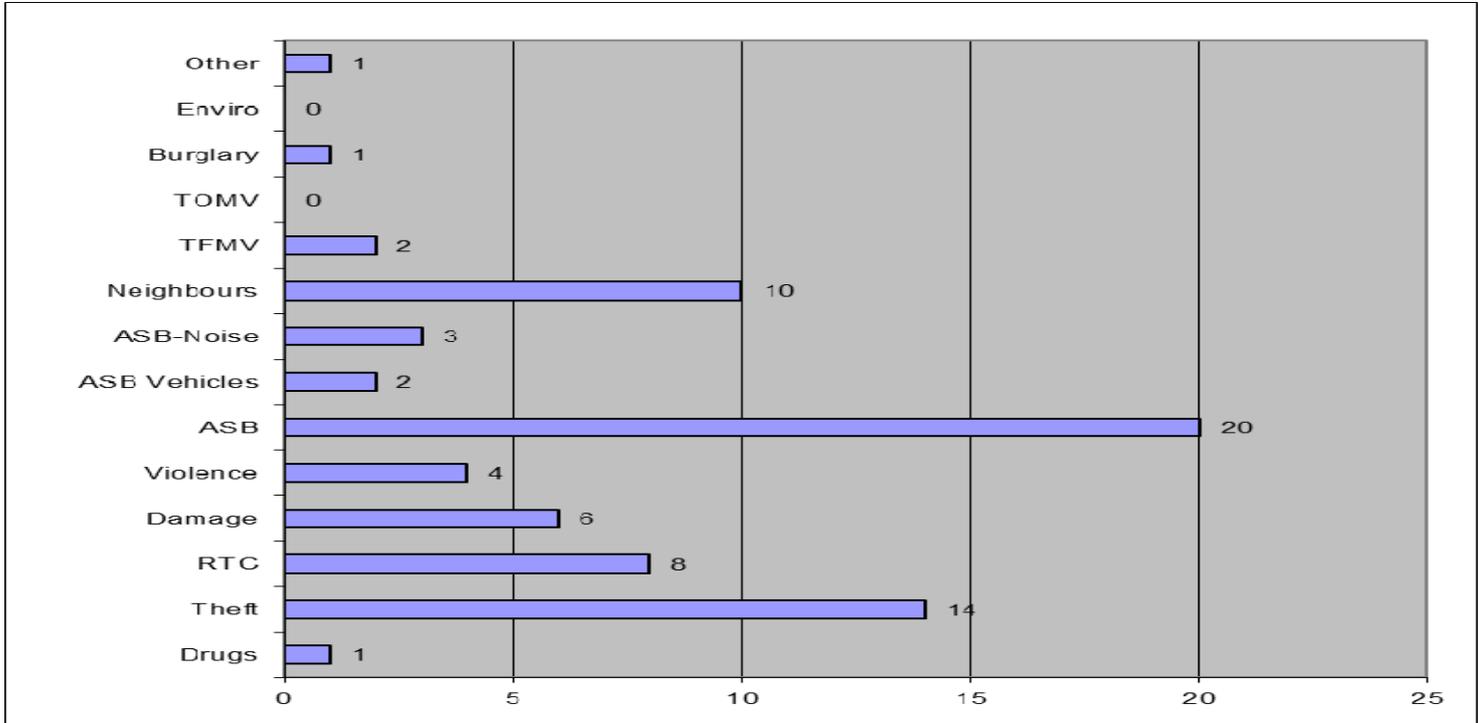
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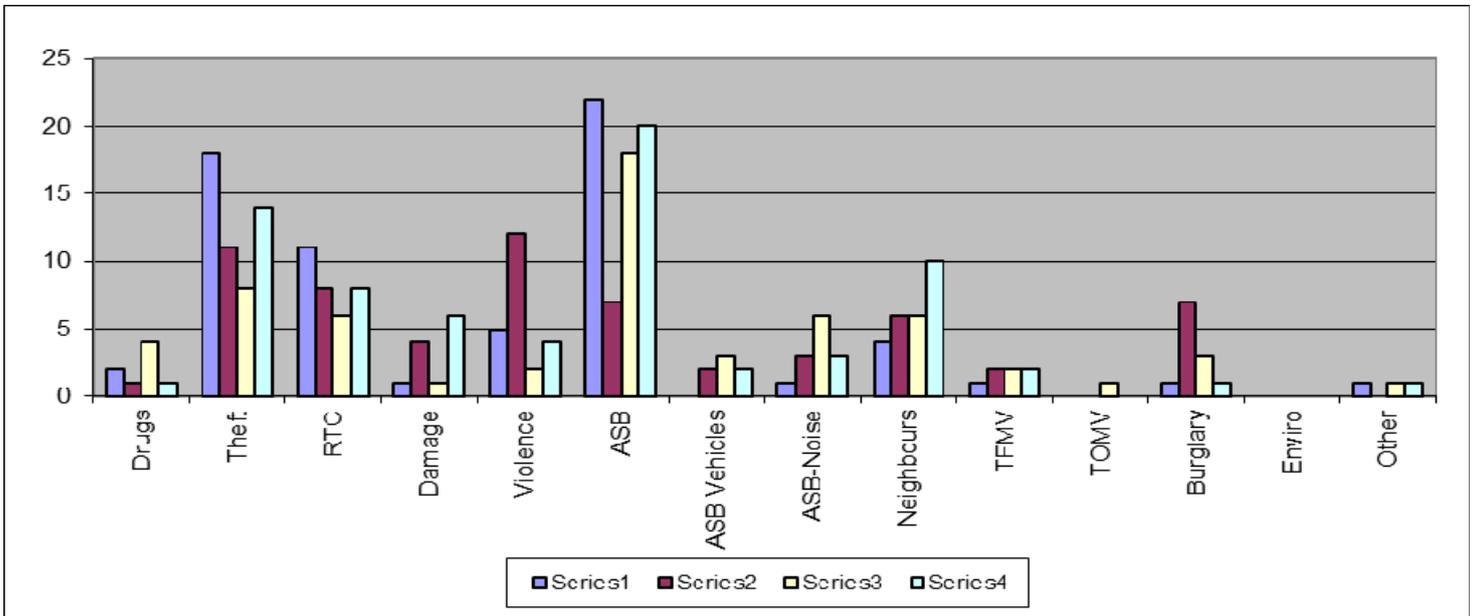


- Ashley
- Barton & Milford On Sea
- Brockenhurst & Boldre Rurals
- Hordle & Sway
- Lower Pennington
- Lymington Town Centre & Buckland
- New Milton Town Centre
- North Milton Estates
- Upper Pennington

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# COUNTRY WATCH

**Western Weekly:**

**19<sup>th</sup> July 2013**

Colleagues,

Crime in the forest, from April 2012 to March 2013, has been greatly reduced and shows a bigger fall than during the previous year. In particular, there has been an eight per cent reduction in antisocial behaviour (ASB), a 13 per cent fall in criminal damage, an 18 per cent reduction in violence with injury and a 15 per cent reduction in shoplifting in the New Forest. Domestic burglary has reduced by 14.7 per cent, which is a high priority given the impact it has on the victims of this crime. Non-domestic burglary however has seen a rise by 27% which the partnership will continue to tackle and review for further improvement. Overall, there has been an 11 per cent reduction in all crime in the forest.

Non-dwelling burglary (theft from outbuildings) has seen an increase in the last year. Please take some time to review your security. Ensure that a good quality padlock is fitted, together with robust hinges and hasps. Consider installing security lighting, alarms and CCTV. If you would like a visit from a member of the Country Watch team to carry out a site visit and provide security advice please contact us.

The New Forest Show is nearly upon us. We are delighted that we will be joined on the Wednesday afternoon by Mr Simon Hayes, Hampshire Police & Crime Commissioner. We will also be joined by Chief Inspector Tony Rowlinson, New Forest District Chief Inspector, all day on the Thursday. On all three days we will be joined by representatives from our Firearms Licensing Department who will be able to assist with firearms/shotgun enquiries and licensing issues and offer some mobile services in relation to applications, grants, renewals and variations (subject to available technology!).

Please take the opportunity to visit the Country Watch stand in the Countryside area and discuss your concerns and views with them and the team. We look forward to seeing many of our members and colleagues there.

Louise

Sergeant Hubble.



### **Poaching**

No reported incidents this week.

### **Rural Arson**

10/07. Totton. Large circular hay feeder in field set alight.

13/07. Pigbush car park. Group of people camping with large fire on forest. Extinguished by Police.

### **Off-Road Vehicles**

Totton. Report of male riding mini-moto around lake area.

### **Fly Tipping**

10/07. Shave Wood. 5-6 bags of loose green waste dumped.

15/07. Shirley Holmes. Carpet, builders waste, sacks of cement/plaster dumped.

15/07. Blackwell Common. Dried bamboo and earth dumped.

### **Theft From Motor Vehicle**

11/07. Hythe. Works van broken into and tools stolen (drills).

11/07. Puttles Bridge car park. Handbag stolen from vehicle.

12/07. Blackfield. Hedge trimmer and chainsaw stolen from van overnight.

14/07. Andrews Mare car park. Handbag left in boot of vehicle. Handbag stolen from boot of vehicle.

15/07. Barton-on-sea. Building tools stolen from van on driveway overnight.

16/07. Godshill. Handbag left in foot-well of vehicle. Handbag stolen from foot-well of vehicle.

17/07. Kings Hat car park. Handbag left on view on passenger seat. Handbag stolen from passenger seat.

### **Rural Theft**

11/08. Emery Down. 130 litres of red diesel stolen from fuel bowser.

12/07. Pennington. Outbuilding on smallholding entered. Two canisters of red diesel stolen.

12/07. Chandlers Ford. Outbuilding broken into. Stihl leafblower and Honda Masport Lawnmower stolen.

13/07. Bransgore. Outbuilding broken into. Items stolen including chainsaw, hedge trimmer and strimmer.

13/07. Bransgore. Attempted break in to outbuilding. Entry not gained but damage caused to door.

13/07. Hordle. Stihl hedge trimmer stolen from outbuilding.

14/07. Hythe. Theft of lead from roof of garden gazebo.



### **Rural Theft(Cont.)**

- 14/07. Martin. Outbuilding broken into. Power tools, garden tools and kids quad bike stolen.
- 14/07. Holbury. Quantity of lead stolen from roof of premises.
- 14/07. Brangore. Male disturbed attempting to steal lawn mower from garage.
- 15/07. Rockbourne. Attempted break to outbuilding. Nil stolen.
- 15/07. Sopley. Two males seen loading scrap metal from trailer into vehicle. Made off when disturbed.
- 15/07. Lymington. Attempted break in to outbuilding. Nil stolen.
- 16/07. Metal outbuilding broken into. Nil stolen.
- 16/07. Calmore. Compactor stolen from front garden.
- 16/07. Ringwood. Outbuilding broken into and lawn mower stolen.
- 17/07. Totton. Outbuilding broken into. Tools stolen including percussion hammer, pressure washer, hedge cutter and petrol strimmer.
- 17/07. New Milton. Avon 2008 inflatable dingy stolen from garden of property.

### **Vehicles of interest**

- V478GBL. Maroon Vauxhall Astra. Suspected of being involved in theft of scrap metal.
- NJ06NWD. Red Ford Transit. Seen acting suspiciously around Boldre, two male occupants.
- KU56LVV. White Ford Transit panel van seen entering private farm premises. When challenged the occupant drives off at speed.

### **Miscellaneous Offences**

The Highways Authority are conducting essential maintenance work and replacing the cattle grid at Canada Common. This was pre-planned and has been advertised. The work will take approximately two weeks to complete. Due to the location it is necessary for the road to be completely closed. The Police have received a number of calls from the Highways Agency stating that their workers on site are being verbally abused and threatened by local residents and motorists due to the road closure. Whilst taking an alternative route might be an inconvenience to some, the work is essential and venting your frustrations on the work force does not help.



### Animal Accidents

Day	Date	Time	Details	Location
Tuesday	09/07/2013	10:50 pm	Two Black Angus Cows – Injured	Little Wood - B3055 (E)
Thursday	11/07/2013	6:15 pm	Cow - Killed	Longcross near Fritham - B3078
Thursday	11/07/2013	10.40 pm	Brown Foal - Nothing Found	Balmer Lawn Road, Brockenhurst
Saturday	13/07/2013	10:41 pm	Cow - Injured & Destroyed	Dead Man Hill - B3078
Saturday	13/07/2013	6:15 pm	Shetland Gelding - Injured & Destroyed	Roundhill Car Park - B3078
Saturday	13/07/2013	11:45 pm	Pony - Nothing Found	Beaulieu Road - B3056

### The Week in Twitter:



#### Ringwood Police ([@RingwoodPolice](#))

[12/07/2013 14:21](#)

We have just rescued a dog from a car - Dogs die in hot cars. Please don't leave a dog in the car.  
[rspca.org.uk/allaboutanimal...](http://rspca.org.uk/allaboutanimal...) ...



#### Totton Police ([@TottonPolice](#))

[12/07/2013 16:34](#)

Totton business owner? Join the local Business Watch for crime updates and action at [businesswatchtotton.com](http://businesswatchtotton.com)



**ACSO ([@ACSONewForest](#))**

[15/07/2013 08:36](#)

“[@AskThePolice](#): Question of the Day. I know an off-licence that is selling alcohol to underage children, what can I do? [www3.hants.gov.uk/underagesales...](http://www3.hants.gov.uk/underagesales...)”



**Ringwood Police ([@RingwoodPolice](#))**

[15/07/2013 09:22](#)

GM Weekend Crime update - 0 [#DwellingBurglary](#) 5 [#BOTD](#) (incs sheds and garages) (2 attempts only) 1 [#TFMV](#) (theft from motor vehicle) ....



**Ringwood Police ([@RingwoodPolice](#))**

[15/07/2013 09:24](#)

.... 0 [#Robbery](#) and 0 [#TOMV](#) (theft of motor vehicle). 2 of the [#BOTD](#) were in Burley Road pls secure your property and keep serial nos.



**Keep Britain Tidy ([@KeepBritainTidy](#))**

[15/07/2013 17:05](#)

Just 13 days until the start of [#loveparksweek](#) 2013... get involved or register an event [loveparksweek.org.uk](http://loveparksweek.org.uk)



**Trading Standards ([@HantsTS](#))**

[16/07/2013 13:14](#)

Bought some Asda hair straighteners recently? They've been [#recalled](#). Risk of fire and electric shock [goo.gl/lqJ4o](http://goo.gl/lqJ4o) [#CheckItTuesday](#)



**ACSO ([@ACSONewForest](#))**

[16/07/2013 20:43](#)

ACSO's Paul & Paula just finished productive meeting with Totton Business Watch. Working together works-simple. Thanks John.



**Ringwood Police ([@RingwoodPolice](#))**

[17/07/2013 08:50](#)

GM Crime Update 0 [#DwellingBurglary](#), 2 [#BOTD](#) ( both garages 1 in Cadnam 1 in Poulner) 1 [#TFMV](#) (handbag left on display!) 0 [#TOMV](#) 0 [#Robbery](#)



**RNLI ([@RNLI](#))**

[17/07/2013 08:38](#)

Crikey! It's predicted to be the hottest day of the year so far today. Stay safe if you're heading to the coast: [bit.ly/12onVI8](http://bit.ly/12onVI8)



**ACSO ([@ACSONewForest](#))**

[17/07/2013 10:13](#)

The importance of effective partnership working in Hampshire reinforced by [@hantsconnect](#) Leader Cllr Perry [www3.hants.gov.uk/hantswebnewsli...](http://www3.hants.gov.uk/hantswebnewsli...)



**RoSPA ([@RoSPA](#))**

[17/07/2013 10:07](#)

School holidays nearly here. Here's tips to keep children safe on driveways - 26 deaths since 2001. [#parenting](#) [bit.ly/1bnsScS](http://bit.ly/1bnsScS)



**Insp Steve Jackson ([@InspSJackson](#))**

[17/07/2013 10:27](#)

This guy is not an actor, please heed his words of crime prevention from the mouth of a reformed thief  
[youtube.com/watch?v=KBzAJU...](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KBzAJU...)



**ACSO ([@ACSONewForest](#))**

[17/07/2013 10:55](#)

[@safernewforest](#) latest Press Release" What will your children be doing this summer?" [d.pr/f/7GSr](#)



**ACSO ([@ACSONewForest](#))**

[17/07/2013 12:18](#)

Operation Snakebite – don't get bitten by thieves  
[@safernewforest](#).Aiming to tackle non-dwelling burglaries [d.pr/f/uLLS](#)



**ACSO ([@ACSONewForest](#))**

[17/07/2013 12:25](#)

[@HantsPolice](#) release CCTV photos of men suspected of damaging ATM's at Barclays Banks in Southampton area

[hampshire.police.uk/internet/news-...](http://hampshire.police.uk/internet/news-...)



**ACSO ([@ACSONewForest](#))**

[17/07/2013 12:38](#)

Just witnessed resident open front door with key from the top of the flower pot by door.Got to be a No-Brainer surely.[hampshire.police.uk/internet/advic...](http://hampshire.police.uk/internet/advic...)



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[www3.hants.gov.uk/hantswebnews/](http://www3.hants.gov.uk/hantswebnews/)



ACSO ([@ACSONewForest](#))

[17/07/2013 20:02](#)

Shoppers in New Forest are urged to be vigilant after distraction thefts reported to [@HantsPolice](#)  
[hampshire.police.uk/internet/news-...](http://hampshire.police.uk/internet/news-...)



Lymington Police ([@LymingtonCops](#))

[17/07/2013 20:27](#)

Young boy knocked off bike in Sway - Car didn't stop! Car was black with loud after-market exhaust. Who was it? Call us or [@HantsCrimestopp](#)



ACSO ([@ACSONewForest](#))

[17/07/2013 22:38](#)

[@LymingtonCops](#) Good to see you back Insp Nick. You decided against the JAG Headline return then? Looking forward to working in partnership.



ACSO ([@ACSONewForest](#))

[17/07/2013 22:45](#)

Hot drive home from work tonight? Before you go to bed why not double check you shut windows etc and locked up. Thieves love an easy option!



**ACSO ([@ACSONewForest](#))**

[18/07/2013 09:50](#)

Sat 20th July, ACSO's, [@LymingtonCops](#) [@NewMiltonCops](#) [@safernewforest](#) will be in Sway 12.00-17.00. Crime prevention, discuss issues. [#comingtoyou](#)



**Lymington Police ([@LymingtonCops](#))**

[18/07/2013 09:41](#)

[#ASBOverview](#) Reports of ASB over night [#LowerPennington](#) 0 [#UpperPennington](#) 0 [#LymingtonTownCentre](#) 0 [#Brockenhurst](#) 0



**New Forest DC ([@newforestdc](#))**

[18/07/2013 09:53](#)

Remember to wrap sharp items before binning them. Here's what our refuse collectors have found [bit.ly/12JqMz7](http://bit.ly/12JqMz7) [pic.twitter.com/zAUYm0VwLU](http://pic.twitter.com/zAUYm0VwLU)



**Ringwood Police ([@RingwoodPolice](#))**

[18/07/2013 11:35](#)

Reunited elderly lady with lost car after her hour of searching in 30degrees. Her parting words "Nice to know you don't just catch baddies"!



**ACSO ([@ACSONewForest](#))**

[18/07/2013 12:10](#)

This weeks [@HantsPolRural](#) Western Country Watch Weekly kindly supplied by Sgt Louise Hubble & her team. [d.pr/f/c6cG](https://d.pr/f/c6cG)



**ACSO ([@ACSONewForest](#))**

[18/07/2013 17:22](#)

Jan-June 2013- 67 accidents involving animals (40 in 2012) & 41 animals were killed/injured (24 same period last year). Pls stay under 40!



**Hampshire County C ([@hantsconnect](#))**

[18/07/2013 16:40](#)

Our [#gritting](#) lorries are dusting sticky roads - ensures bitumen sealed & embedded - Report problems 0845 603 5633 [tinyurl.com/plmzx5l](http://tinyurl.com/plmzx5l)



**New Milton Police ([@NewMiltonCops](#))**

[19/07/2013 08:36](#)

[#DeWalt](#) tools stolen from rear of van in Marine Drive West early hours of 18th. Been offered these for sale? Call us or [@HantsCrimestopp](#)



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Kind regards and stay safe & secure.

Dean Birch

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