
OPCC NEWSLETTER: AUGUST 2019

I've been working across North Lincolnshire since June 2017. My role is to engage with local communities to help identify local priorities, understand issues and support agencies to identify good practice and improvements. I am not a representative of the police to the public but rather the voice of the public to the police and other agencies involved in Community Safety. I will often be able to guide people who to direct their enquiries at regarding specific issues and find out more information about various processes to help manage expectations of the public. By doing this my role contributes to building confidence in local agencies involved in Community Safety.

CRIME PREVENTION ADVICE

As the weather gets warmer please take care in the home and with your vehicles to close and lock windows and doors.

If you are at home please ensure the front of your home is secure if you are at the rear of the property.

Many crimes occur due to opportunists trying doors and windows of cars and homes on the off chance they find an insecurity.

You can find further information on crime prevention here:

<https://www.police.uk/crime-prevention-advice/>

REVIEW OF 101 CHARGES

Calls to the 101 police non-emergency number will be free from April 2020. The Home Office has announced that it will scrap the 15p charge and spend £5m a year to fund the phone service in the UK. The phone service, which receives around 30m calls annually, connects the public to their local police force or one of their choice. SOURCE: BBC NEWS

COMMUNITY TRIGGER

The Community Trigger is for pre-existing ASB cases that have been reported to agencies at least three times in the previous six months and not for the general reporting of ASB incidents. If you would like to report a general ASB incident please do so by calling either:

North Lincolnshire Council
Humberside Police
Ongo (formally NLH)

Tel: 01724 297000
Tel: 101 for non emergency
Tel: 01724 279900

<https://www.saferneighbourhoods.net/asb-criminal-damage/the-community-trigger/>



REMEDI RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

“Restorative Justice got my life back. I’ve been scared to go out ever since it happened and that’s gone”



Have you been the victim of a crime?



Do you have questions you want to ask the person who did it?

Do you want a chance to tell them how it affected you?

To find out more call: 01482 347743 or email: humberstone@remediuk.org

CRIME REDUCTION FUND

In 2018/19, North Lincolnshire Community Safety Partnership (CSP) gave over £134,000 to community projects across the area. This was from the Crime Reduction Fund. The fund can support a variety of projects. If you are part of a charity, voluntary group, or community interest company looking for funding to support activities in your area, please get in touch. You could be awarded a grant from the CSP for your project.

Aims of the Crime Reduction Fund

- Strengthen local communities through the provision of facilities, events, activities or services to local children and young people, families, and adults of all ages
- Encourage and support voluntary groups to make North Lincolnshire safer through the development of local initiatives, projects, services and activities

Applicants need to clearly explain how their project will benefit children, young people, families, adults or the community in the area where the project will be based. It should outline exactly what the money will be used for. It is also good to show us what other funding you have raised for the project.

There are two levels of funding that can be applied for: Tier 1 – bids of up to £10,000 for one year projects. Tier 2 – bids of up to £50,000 for two year projects This can include volunteer time. The next deadline for applications to be submitted is 29 August 2019, bids accepted throughout the year.

CANCER CHAMPION TRAINING

I am delighted to be one of a growing number of Cancer Champions in Scunthorpe and the Humber, Coast and Vale area having attended the Cancer Champion training on Monday 15th July 2019. The aim of the Cancer Champion programme is to raise awareness of the early signs and symptoms of cancer, promote the national screening programmes and early detection. My family has been affected by cancer and after seeing first-hand the impact cancer can have if not diagnosed and treated early, I was drawn to the free half day training with the hope of being able to make a difference and to help others by becoming a Cancer Champion. It soon became clear that the main motivators for others attending the training was because of being personally affected by cancer and/or a sense that together, with more awareness, non-medical members of the public can help to make a difference in spotting the early signs of cancer and potentially save lives.

The training raised our awareness of the key facts, statistics, symptoms and screenings that are linked to a number of cancers, in an engaging and conversational style. At the end of the session we received a supportive handbook, wide range of leaflets and a certificate and badge. Cancer Champions are asked to share their knowledge and encourage others to take up cancer screening invitations and to go to their GP Practice if they have any of the symptoms mentioned. I now wear my Cancer Champion pin badge with pride and have already worked with my colleagues to ensure that cancer awareness materials are available to everyone in my workplace. I have also discussed the importance of screening with friends and family and hope that just by having these small conversations with friends/family/colleagues, I can make a difference in my circles.

If you are interested in finding out more about the Cancer Champion Programme or undertaking the training, please contact Emma at Humber Coast and Vale Cancer Alliance: Telephone 07519 120809 or Email – eryccg.cancerchampion@nhs.net



UPDATES

Community Speed Watch has finally launched in Humberside in Bubwith, East Yorkshire. The scheme has gathered a lot of support and interest across the area. Wayne Goodwin the Coordinator has experience of rolling this out across Lincolnshire. I believe he has made contact with most Town and Parish Councils but if you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact him via wayne.goodwin@humberside.pnn.police.uk

The first North Lincolnshire Fraud Forum was held recently with partners from across the area to discuss how we can make North Lincolnshire unattractive to Scammers. I've previously mentioned the Friends Against Scams Training (free online 20 minutes) friendsagainstsams.org.uk and the Little Book of Big Scams on the Humberside Police Website.

Rural Crime: If you don't know where you are and wanted to report a crime you can use the free What 3 Words App/Website and use this to pin point your location to share with other people. There is also a Humberside Wide Rural Safety Advisory Panel if you would like to share any information with us please let me know claire.welford@humberside.pnn.police.uk

Social Media Accounts for Humberside Police are changing to help share more information. Please ensure if you follow them you make the change to continue seeing updates on Facebook and Twitter. Also consider signing up for My Community Alert (via website) to hear more about what's going on in your area.