

North Lincolnshire Engagement Officer

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Covid-19

These are certainly challenging times for all communities. With a fast moving situation please keep your eyes on official government channels and local ones such as North Lincolnshire Council and Humberside Police.

Please adhere to the advice of stay home. With this in mind the Office of Police and Crime Commissioner staff are all working from home at this time and for the foreseeable future. If you need me at all I can be contacted at claire.welford@humberside.pnn.police.uk or on mobile 07464 985199 I am working ad hoc hours but will get back to you.

- ⇒ **Average of 1500 calls to the Humberside Police per day (400 of which are 999)**
- ⇒ **The Police and Crime Commissioner Elections due 7th May 2020 have been postponed for a year**
- ⇒ **101 is now free to call rather than 15p**

Humberside Rural Safety Advisory Panel

They have been meeting for around 18 months since the last Humberside Rural Crime Conference and have developed a new Rural Crime Fact Sheet available [here](#). They were working with agencies to host another Conference this month but unfortunately this has been postponed to later in the year no date has yet been confirmed. Whilst you may not live in a rural area I'm sure you, your family and friends may spent leisure time in rural settings and it may prove useful especially the second page around how to report and useful information for the police and yourselves.



What is the Engagement Officer role?

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 am able to support people to direct their enquiries at the right agency and find out more information on various processes to help manage expectations of the public and increase understanding. By doing this my role contributes to building confidence in local agencies involved in Community Safety.



NEW Anti Social Behaviour Online Reporting

Anti Social Behaviour is an issue that affects many communities. It is often a fine line between nuisance and something that comes under ASB. Communities can be concerned that ASB will lead to criminal behaviour. Humberside Police's website makes clear areas of ASB which can be reported via the non-emergency number 101 or 999 if immediate danger.

- Threats to kill and violence
- Graffiti and vandalism to your personal property
- Hate crime - If a person is abused, verbally or physically, because of their ethnicity, religion, sexuality, gender, disability or just because they are different then this is a crime or hate incident
- Harassment - Repeated attempts to make unwanted contact with a person and those associated with them, which causes a person distress or fear

ASB dealt with by your local council via 01724 297000 and now ONLINE [here](#).

- If groups are congregating in public spaces and drinking alcohol
- Verbal abuse and threats of violence – unless you believe you are at immediate risk
- Young people gathering in large numbers and behaving in a way that is threatening or intimidating to others
- Noise nuisance, such as loud music, noisy pubs, rowdy parties or barking dogs in your neighbourhood
- Graffiti and vandalism to public property
- Littering/fly-tipping – the illegal dumping of waste
- Excessive car stereo noise

Domestic Abuse (Repeated due to lockdown announcement)

Violent crime is often reported in the media as a public crime, between 30-50% will be domestic abuse if not more in some areas. There are a range of services to support people suffering from domestic abuse in North Lincolnshire The Blue Door is available via their Helpline: 0800 197 47 87 or main office: (01724) 841 947. They are also able to support women to access the refuge where necessary in a safe area which could be outside of North Lincolnshire. If you are a perpetrator of domestic abuse there is a new RE:Form programme to support behaviour change, info@reformda.org.

Community Speed Watch Update: The free to join scheme is now up and running in North Lincolnshire with two sites live. The aim of the scheme is primarily education to change driver behaviour with no fines or points being awarded.

Hours monitored = 31 hours

Vehicles exceeding speed limit and issued letters = 203

First letters issued = 196

Second letters issued = 7

Third letters issued = 0

Top speeds recorded: 61mph in a 30mph zone. 63mph in a 40mph zone.

Since August 2019 to date we have issued over 1,500 letters of advice.

The number of trained volunteers is now over 200 with 22 sites across Humberside.

More information can be found here

<https://www.humberside-pcc.gov.uk/Community/Community-Speed-Watch.aspx>