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Snaith, Rawcliffe, Airmyn & Marshlands Provincial Update January 2021

1. Crime and ASB

Unfortunately due to technical changes we are unable to provide the monthly information at the moment. However you can obtain Crime and ASB data for your own area by visiting www.police.uk, clicking on "whats happening in your area" and entering your postcode.

2. Crime issues of particular note

The following list shows some of the crimes that have occurred in the previous month in your area:

- Entry was gained into a transit van parked at a property in East Cowick and various power tools were stolen
- Rear and front number plates were stolen from a vehicle in East Cowick
- Entry was gained into a secure van parked in Snaith and various tools including a Makita breaker, a drill and saw were stolen.
- A secure van parked on a driveway in Rawcliffe Bridge was broken into and tools stolen.
- A JCB was stolen from a building site in Snaith.
- A secure transit van has been stolen from outside a property in Snaith.
- A secure vehicle was stolen from the Main Street in Pollington.
- Entry was gained into a property in Snaith and a vehicle was stolen from the driveway (the vehicle has since been recovered).
- Entry was gained into a conservatory of a secure property in Snaith.
- A secure van in Snaith was broken into and damaged in an attempted to steal it.

3. Community Priorities

- **Snaith Quarry** – We have had reports of anti-social behaviour and suspicious activity at the quarry in Snaith. We have recently been walking through the area and speaking to residents and local dog walkers.
- **Snaith Methodist Church** -There has been reports of youths causing annoyance and criminal damage at the Methodist church. We have recently been patrolling the area to try and resolve the problems.
- **Pollington Quarry** – Mainly on a weekend we are still getting reports of off road bikes being used on the quarry in an antisocial manner. We are currently running an operation called Op Yellow Fin.
- **Bourn Mill Balk Snaith**- There have been reports of ASB on the park from early evening up until midnight. The park will be patrolled on regular basis by patrols.

4. Crime Reduction Advice

COVID-19 Scams

[Action Fraud](#) has seen a number of different scams circulating relating to Covid-19. This includes people falling victim to online shopping scams, believing they are purchasing protective face masks or hand sanitiser that do not exist. Criminals are also using Government branding to make fake offers of financial support, making phone calls and sending unsolicited emails/texts that seem like genuine correspondence from HMRC, for example. A surge in phishing scams or calls claiming to be from government departments offering grants, tax rebates, or compensation is anticipated.



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Criminals are looking to take advantage of people's financial concerns as a result of the pandemic – they may ask for upfront fees applied to bogus loans, offer high-return investment scams, or commit fraud relating to pensions.

Huge increases in the number of people working remotely presents further opportunities for criminals to commit computer software service fraud. The increased demand on IT systems may make approaches of help to fix devices seem more believable, when in reality, criminals are trying to gain access to computers and/or login details.

Criminals are able to use spoofing technology to send texts and emails impersonating known and trusted organisations. We remind anyone who receives an unexpected text or email asking for personal or financial details to not click on the links or attachments, and to avoid responding to any messages that ask for personal or financial details.

Action Fraud provides useful advice on avoiding becoming a victim of online fraud or cybercrime. You can view their tips on their website, (www.actionfraud.police.uk) or make a report or get advice by calling 0300 123 2040.

5. News and Appeals

• Humber Rural Policing Priorities - survey

On behalf of the East Riding of Yorkshire West Community Policing team, Insp Powell invites you to complete a short survey which is to be collated by the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. The survey is an opportunity for you to let us know what you think our rural policing priorities should be. The link below gives access to a survey where we are asking you to select your top 3 policing priorities specific to your area.

Please follow the link below and also share it to residents who live in rural areas of Humberside.

<https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/6062468/Rural-Crime-Survey-2020>

We look forward to hearing from you.

• Guide to cyber security issued as fraudsters target farmers

Cyber attacks can be devastating for businesses and the individuals who are victims to fraudulent activity, it can affect agricultural businesses in a number of ways, including leaking of confidential data or financial losses. As farms rely more on technologies such as GPS, remote sensing and unmanned vehicles, the risks increase. Official statistics show a rise in reports of cyber attacks against the farming community, such as spoof farm machinery adverts that can leave farmers thousands of pounds out of pocket. For example, in 2019 more than 60% of agricultural businesses reported one or more attacks, compared with 45% in 2018, according to one cyber security company.

New guidance is being issued to farmers to help them protect themselves from cyber attacks such as spoof adverts, scam emails and malicious software. Put together by the NFU and the National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC), the online document aims to provide farmers with the tools they need to protect themselves from the most common cyber attacks.

Top tips for improved cyber security

- Ensure computers and mobile phones are set to install automatic updates
- Replace old hardware, which may be more vulnerable to attack
- Back up your data – perhaps on an external hard drive or USB stick or a cloud-based option
- Switch on password protection and use fingerprint or face ID on mobile devices



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- Use things like tracking modes and remote data erasing modes on mobile devices
- Download anti-virus products to protect from "malware" (malicious software)
- Activate firewalls to create a buffer between your network and the internet

The new NFU/NCSC guidance identifies the main digital aspects that are at threat on farms, from the computers farmers use to send their emails and run their farm management software, to their automated machinery, security cameras and smartphones.

The guidance also offers advice on password creation, spotting and dealing with scam emails, texts and phone calls, and details of where to go for help. For further information please use the link below:

<https://www.fwi.co.uk/news/crime/guide-to-cyber-security-issued-as-fraudsters-target-farmers>

• Covid-19 Vaccine Text Scam Alert

We have been alerted to a highly believable scam which starts with a text and advises the user that they are eligible to apply for the vaccine and to click on the link in the text message. The user is then led to a webpage, which looks very convincing and asks them to complete some details, in order for them to be able to apply for the vaccine.

The details asked for:

- **Name**
- **Address**
- **Date of birth**
- **Proof of address**
- **Card payment details**

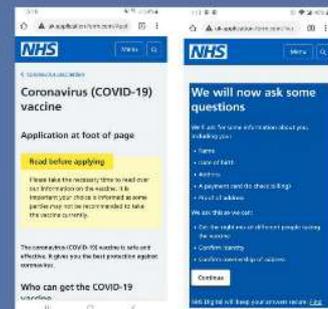
With the recent approval of multiple vaccines in the UK, these types of scam attempts are likely to continue, as fraudsters continue to take advantage of the rollout to some many people.

Please click on the link below for further information:

<https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/news/fake-text-identifying-you-eligible-covid-19-vaccine>

Fake Text re - Covid-19 Test

A dangerous fake NHS text has been circulating, telling people they're eligible to apply for the COVID-19 vaccine. Here's what it looks like.



NEVER give out your personal details.

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Cold calls regarding the vaccine are also beginning to take place – we've already had reports of scammers asking people to pay for it over the phone. If you receive one of these calls, hang up.

Protect others by reporting incidents like this. If you, or anyone you know, have been affected by this fraud or any other scam, report it to **Action Fraud** by calling **0300 123 2040** or visiting www.actionfraud.police.uk



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- **Action days in Snaith and Airmyn**

Residents in Snaith have been concerned with HGV's contravening the 7.5 Tonne limit on the A1041 into Selby. This has been a real issue in Snaith due to the danger at the mini roundabout when drivers ignore the signs.

Officers attended in the afternoon of the 11th January and were pleased to report that there were no offences.

Roads Traffic Policing also attended on the 13th January and issued 5 tickets in 3 hours.

Officers will be in Snaith again on the 3rd and 18th February looking for HGV's that contravene the limit and in Airmyn on the 22nd February too.

11th January - #lorry spotting, #yousaidwelisted



6. Surgeries

- **Telephone surgeries at Snaith Town Council Offices.**

Please call 01405 862663 if you would like to discuss any concerns that you may have or need any advice. PCSO Chandler will be available by phone on the following dates:

Thursday 4th Feb 16:00-17:00

Thursday 18th March 16:00-17:00

- **Online Community catch up – Zoom Meetings**

Insp Powell will be hosting a half-an-hour online community catch up via Zoom and he is inviting you to join him. There will also be the opportunity to ask any questions and raise any concerns/issues you may have. The next meeting for the Goole/Howden & Villages will be held on the 16th February 2021 (14:00hrs)

For details on how to join the meeting, go to the Humberside Police website and type in ZOOM in the "search the site" section and this will take you to the "on line community catch up page" – click on this link for further information on how to join the meeting or click on the link below:

(<https://www.humberside.police.uk/CommunityCatchUpNorthbank>)

Stay informed through our social media channels, find us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#):

<https://www.humberside.police.uk/teams/snaith-airmyn-rawcliffe-and-marshland>

Facebook – Humberside Police – East Riding of Yorkshire West

Twitter - Humberside Police – East Riding of Yorkshire West - @Humberbeat_ERYW

For incidents that don't require an immediate response call our non-emergency 101 line. You can also report [non-emergency crimes online](#) via our reporting portal. In an emergency always dial 999.