

BRAMSHAW TELEGRAPH

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NEWS



THE UPDATED COUNTRYSIDE CODE

With people enjoying the outdoors more than ever before Natural England and Natural Resources Wales have reviewed and refreshed the <u>Countryside</u> <u>Code</u> to help people enjoy outside space in a safe and respectful way. The code has a refreshed tone, creating a guide rather than list of rules, recognising the health and wellbeing benefits of spending time outside.

Key changes to the Code include:

Advice on creating a welcoming environment; saying hello to other visitors and sharing the outside space

Reminders to not feed livestock, horses or wild animals

Staying on marked footpaths, even when muddy, to protect crops and wildlife Information on certain outdoor activities such as wild swimming

Clearer guidance for dog walkers to take home dog poo and use their own bin if there is no public bin available

Wording to make clear that the code applies to all natural places, including parks, waterways, coast and countryside



BEAT REPORT

Continued increase in the theft of catalytic converters from Hondas and Toyotas. This is because their converters are cleaner and therefore the valuable metals contained within them are less likely to corrode. They are also easier to access on hybrid vehicles. Four

catalytic converters were stolen in April, three of them from Honda Jazz cars parked in Brockenhurst and Lyndhurst and the other was taken from a Toyota parked in Cadnam.

If you see someone acting suspiciously under a vehicle, report it. Obtain as much information as possible, including any vehicle registrations. In the event your converter is stolen, please report it online via our website following this link and include any markings so that we can identify your converter if it is recovered. https://www.hampshire.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/

Hot off the press: a man was arrested in connection with a series of catalytic converter thefts across the Forest.

Cars and vans were also broken into in April in Bramshaw, Brockenhurst, Winsor, Minstead, Beaulieu and Janesmoor Pond car park.

There have been burglaries to eight outbuildings in April. Two sheds on Gosport Lane in Lyndhurst were targeted as was a bike store in the main car park and an electric bike stolen.

A machine store and barn were broken into in Brockenhurst and an attempt was also made to use a crow bar to get into a garage in Bramshaw but that attempt failed. Entry was also gained into two stables in the same yard on the same night on Woodlands Road.

Two electric bikes have been stolen from the bike railings opposite Lyndhurst fire station, four mountain bikes were stolen from Brockenhurst over the same weekend and another bicycle was taken from outside the Happy Cheese pub at Ashurst. That one was recovered after the thief was seen walking it away from the area by the owner. Other thefts included lead from a roof in Brockenhurst and metal cabling from Brockenhurst train station.

Investigations are still on going into the fire at the pony sales at Beaulieu Road where a car was driven into the site and set alight. Since that incident there have been three other fires that appear to have been started deliberately. They were at the nature reserve at Butts Ash, on Beaulieu Road at Brockenhurst and the Marchwood inclosure. If you see anyone starting a fire call 999 immediately.

Also this month we have received lots of reports of people having BBQs in the Forest, especially at Blackwater car park, on the Ornamental Drive and at Boltons Bench. You are not allowed to have BBQs or start a fire anywhere in the New Forest.

In other incidents, four cars on the same road in Lyndhurst had their wing mirrors damaged on the same night, while two other cars in the village were scratched and had a rear window smashed. A fence has been cut leading to a farm in Brockenhurst, more criminal damage has been caused to the East Boldre village hall and another car, this time at Stoney Cross, had its tyres slashed.

Don't forget you can contact any of us on the New Forest Heart Police team on the details below but please use 999, 101 or the online reporting page on the Hampshire Police website to record crimes or incidents of anti-social behaviour.

For Lyndhurst and the north of the Forest its steven.norris@hampshire.pnn.police.uk 07554 775477 richard.williams@hampshire.pnn.police.uk 07554 775469 And for the Forest south of Lyndhurst its jason.eastwood@hampshire.pnn.police.uk 07979 707939 vicki.pressey@hampshire.pnn.police.uk 07785 500952



KEYLESS CAR (RELAY) THEFT

Offenders are using increasingly sophisticated tools to steal cars with keyless entry by tricking the system into thinking the key is nearby. They do not need to gain access to your home to take the keys.

Tips for preventing Keyless Car Theft:

Hide Keys: keep keys out of sight from doors and windows

Signal Blocking: Use a certified pouch or tin to store keys which will block the signal

Deterrent Locks: Use <u>Sold Secure</u> approved products such as steering wheel, pedal or gear locks to deter offenders

Parking: Park in a garage if you have one. If parking on your driveway consider fitting outdoor motion detector lighting and CCTV from installers who are members of the <u>National Security Inspectorate</u> or the <u>Security Systems and Alarms Inspection Board</u>.



NEW FOREST 100 SPORTIVE

This event scheduled for 15th/16th May 2021 has been postponed until 2022.



BURGLARY

We are appealing for anyone who has seen these two rings to contact us after they were stolen in a burglary in Swanwick on Wednesday, 5 May.



The rings belong to a couple in their 90s, whose house was broken into while they were sleeping between 9pm and 10pm.

After gaining entry by smashing a patio door window, the offender entered their bedroom where they were asleep and stole a small jewellery box containing two rings from their dresser drawer.

The first ring has five large diamonds set with small diamonds in two outer gold bands, and the second has three diamonds set with two sapphires on a gold band. Neither have hallmarks due to being made abroad.

PSI Catherine Cole said: "This distressing incident is the third time the couple have been burgled in the last four

years. "We want to know if anyone has seen these rings or been offered them for sale. If you have, please get in touch with us."

Anyone with information that can assist us with our enquiries can call us on 101, quoting reference number 44210172797.

Message Sent By

James Butler (Police, Corporate Communications Officer, Hampshire and Isle of Wight)

BRAMSHAW PARISH COUNCIL HAS A VACANCY



If you'd like to make a difference, and be involved in shaping the future of your local Community, why not step forward and apply to be a Parish Councillor?

For more information on eligibility, what the role involves, and how to apply contact the Clerk bramshawclerk@outlook.com

CALENDAR OF EVENTS		
ER	19 MAY 10am CO-OP ASHURST 28 MAY 2pm BARTLEY POST OFFICE	BEAT SURGERIES If you, or someone you know, needs our help and it is easier to visit us in person.
PARISH COUNCIL	25 MAY 7pm	BRAMSHAW PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING By Video Conference. Members of the public are welcome to join. Contact the Clerk bramshawclerk@outlook.com You can find all Agendas and Minutes on Bramshaw Parish Council's website www.bramshaw.org.uk

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