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RECENT CRIME OF NOTE

During Friday 14th December 2012 thieves entered a farm near Great Whittington and stole 15 buckets of Supelyx Sheep feed, a white 100litre Quad bike sprayer and an orange and white Stihl hedge trimmer.

Between Saturday and Sunday – thieves have stolen between 1.5 and 2 tonnes of ash logs from a field near Chatton, anyone who noticed a vehicle and possibly trailer or van on Chillingham to Bewick road, cutting up logs please contact us.

The streets are alive with a festive cheer. Shops are busy as Christmas draws near. So look after your bags when you're walking about and when parking the car take your valuables out.



Between Thursday 15th November and Friday 30th November 2012, thieves have entered a building on farm near Chatton and stolen a yellow Tru Test XR3000 specialist sheep weighing machine computer.



If you see any vehicles or people acting suspiciously then please contact Police **IMMEDIATELY** on 999.

CHRISTMAS CRIME MENU



Starter

Your car

Presents left in full view
(keep presents out of sight - if they can be seen they can be stolen)

Keys left in the ignition
(never leave keys in the ignition - even for a short period e.g. at petrol station forecourts and when de-icing your car)

Car left unlocked
(always close windows, engage steering lock and lock all doors)

Purses, wallets and sat-navs left in the glove compartment
(take all valuables with you)

Car parked in a dark secluded area
(park in a well-lit area or in an attended car park)



Main course

Your house

Doors and windows not secured
(ensure all doors and windows are locked)

Presents displayed under the Christmas tree
(presents should be kept out of view)

Car keys and handbags conveniently placed
(never leave car keys or handbags downstairs or near the front door)

The unoccupied look
(going on holiday? Consider using automatic lights, cancel milk and papers and ask a neighbour to keep an eye on your house and put your bins in and out)

Opening your door to strangers
(only open the door after you have identified the caller and are sure who they are)

Large amounts of cash left at home
(do not keep large amounts of cash at home - use a bank/building society)

Dessert

Your property

Bicycles not secured
(lock all bicycles and have them marked with your post code and house number)

Large amounts of cash carried in handbag/wallet
(do not carry large amounts of cash)

Debit/credit card
(never carry your debit/credit card with your pin number. Keep your pin number confidential)

Coffee

Passing on stolen goods
(if you are offered a quality product at a bargain price ensure the source is genuine - is it too good to be true?)



Christmas is a busy time of the year for everyone, including criminals. A high percentage of crime is opportunist in nature and can therefore be easily prevented by taking a few precautions. Please read and 'digest' this special menu and don't let criminals enjoy Christmas at your expense.

CRIME PREVENTION ADVICE - QUAD BIKE SECURITY

- Remove keys and secure tractors and other vehicles when unattended
- Install security lighting in yards and drives – low energy dusk till dawn lighting is recommended
- Mark your property so it is identifiable and take photographs and make a note of serial numbers
- Ensure tractors and quad bikes are secured in locked barns or buildings overnight
- Make sure yard gates are secured to prevent the opportunist thief
- Consider tracking devices and/or immobilisers for more expensive machines
- Physically secure all Terrain Vehicles by means of suitable locking devices or heavy duty security chain and padlocks
- Register your vehicles with CESAR (www.cesarscheme.org), the National Plant & Equipment Register (www.ter-europe.org) or Immobilise National Property Register (www.immobilise.com)



CRIME PREVENTION ADVICE – DIESEL THEFT

- Install security lighting so it illuminates your fuel tank
- Complete an inventory and keep a note of how many litres you are using, so any thefts of fuel are discovered immediately
- Lay gravel on the access route to the tank and just around it, this will make a loud crunchy noise when trodden on. Use defensive planting around your fuel tank this is nature's way of reducing crime
- You can purchase secure containers for fuel tanks, which have lockable access doors to allow for filling and maintenance
- Oil level gauges which are remotely operated can set off an alarm if the oil level in the tank suddenly drops
- Overnight, park your vehicles with the fuel cap side close to a wall and leave the vehicle with little fuel in the tank a simple knock against the side of the fuel tank will give an indication of how much fuel is in your vehicle.

Some of the measures may seem futile but remember simple, cost effective crime prevention measures all have their role to play in making it harder for criminals to target your property. If in doubt talk to your insurance provider and your local Crime Prevention Officers about appropriate measures

You may receive discounts on your insurance premium of up to 27% if you install approved security measures to your farm machinery – check with your insurance provider



HOW TO ACCESS YOUR LOCAL POLICING SERVICES:

Emergency Response Dial 999
Non Emergency Response Tel: **101**
Text 07786200814
(To report a non-emergency incident)
Minicom 01661 82091
(For the deaf and hard of hearing)
Police Advice/Officer Contact Tel: 101
(Contact Management Unit 7am-11pm)
Crimestoppers Tel: 0800 555111
(Anonymous information line)

USEFUL CONTACTS **101**

Crime Prevention Officers 101
Northumbria Police Wildlife Crime Officers –
PC 3575 Mick Leybourne (North and South East)
PC 515 Colin Heath (East and West Tynedale)
PC1280 Steve Crane (Berwick and Assistant to North)

Northumberland Intelligence Officer
PC 8540 Katrina Cassidy 101 ext 63595

HOW TO CONTACT YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD BEAT OFFICERS

Bedlington NPT bedlington.npt@northumbria.pnn.police.uk
Ashington NPT ashington.npt@northumbria.pnn.police.uk
Blyth NPT blyth.npt@northumbria.pnn.police.uk
Cramlington NPT cramlington.npt@northumbria.pnn.police.uk
Morpeth NPT morpeth.npt@northumbria.pnn.police.uk
Alnwick NPT alnwick.npt@northumbria.pnn.police.uk
Berwick NPT berwick.npt@northumbria.pnn.police.uk
East Tynedale easttynedale.npt@northumbria.pnn.police.uk
West Tynedale westtynedale.npt@northumbria.pnn.police.uk

Northumberland County Council 0845 600 6400
(For illegal bonfires, noise, fly tipping, Trading Standards and
stray dogs etc)
Northumbria Police www.northumbria.police.uk
National NHW www.neighbourhoodwatch.net
HO Crime Reduction www.crimereduction.homeoffice.gov.uk

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