



Hertford Police Report For October 2021 meetings

Hertford crime figures 1st April 2021 to 30th September 2021

Group	Crime Type	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	Diff 2022 from 2021
Victim Based	Arson & Criminal Damage	32	10	14	+4
	Burglary	5	2	4	+2
	Sexual Offences	12	5	7	+2
	Theft	30	8	20	+12
	Fraud	21	13	15	+2
	Robbery	0	0	0	0
	Vehicle Offences	13	6	3	-3
	Violence against the person	96	43	52	+9
	Total victim based crimes	209	87	115	+28
Crimes Against Society	Drug Offences	4	11	3	-8
	Misc Crimes Against Society	2	5	2	-3
	Possession Of Weapons	3	0	0	0
	Public Order Offences	5	8	9	+1
	Total crimes against society	14	24	14	-10
	Total	223	111	129	-18

September 2021

There were 88 incidents reported in your area during September.

08/09/2021 14:00 – A self-employed resident was the victim of fraud over the phone. They received a call from scammers purporting to be from a Bailiffs acting on behalf of the High Court. They stated the victim had not paid any PAYE and they were attending the business premises to recover items or money. The scammers were very persuasive which resulted in almost £500 being transferred. A call to the High Courts revealed this was a scam and as the money had gone into the other account, the bank would not refund it. **Please carry out your own enquiries with your accountant/bank before transferring money to what may seem like a legitimate organisation.**

08/09/2021 16:53 – Officers on patrol stop a vehicle with no insurance on holiday in the area. The vehicle was seized and the driver reported for this offence. The likely punishment for this is 6 points on their driving license.

18/09/2021 10:11 – A two vehicle minor injury RTC was reported on Flotmanby Lane near Muston. One vehicle had left the scene without stopping, this vehicle was located nearby but was unoccupied. It was seized by Police and the matter remains under investigation.

14/09/2021 23:40 – A two vehicle serious injury RTC occurred on Filey Road in Hunmanby. One person remains in hospital with non-life threatening injuries and the collision is under investigation.

15/09/2021 12:13 – A two vehicle RTC between a tanker and a van was happened upon by Officers on patrol on Moor Road in Hunmanby. No injuries were reported and Officers assisted with clearing the scene.

25/09/2021 19:47 – A call was received from Hunmanby Train Station whereby a passenger had smashed a window on a train and ran across the tracks, making good their escape. NYP officers attended but could not locate the individual. The incident was passed to British Transport Police as anything which occurs on the railway line or at stations is within their jurisdiction.

We received 8 reports of concern for safety of individuals in your ward area during September. These incidents invariably relate to people in distress. We work closely with the Street Triage Mental Health Team at Cross Lane who carry Police radios with them, we also have support from Mental Health professionals who work in our control room. This is sadly becoming an increasing trend but we always ensure the people receive the best help available at the time and refer them to other agencies. If necessary, they are referred into the weekly meeting we have with other agencies from around the Borough where we can discuss courses of action to provide best support.

The average time taken to answer 101 calls in September 2021 was 309.35 seconds.

During September we dealt with 791 incidents across the area as a whole, a breakdown of these follows (not inclusive of all incidents): -

- 8 injury/death RTCs.
- 14 damage only RTCs.
- 58 road related offences, drink/drug driving, no insurance/license/dangerous driving/speeding etc...
- 65 reports of suspicious circumstances.
- 7 missing persons.
- 4 firearms incidents.
- 0 hoax calls.
- 4 Domestic Violence Disclosure Scheme – *commonly referred to as 'Clare's Law' The Scheme was introduced to set out procedures that could be used by the police in relation to disclosure of information about previous violent and abusive offending by a potentially violent individual to their partner where this may help protect them from further violent and abusive offending.*
- 34 domestic incidents/violence.
- 81 concern for safety incidents.
- 7 civil disputes.
- 4 animal incidents
- 22 highway disruptions

- 84 violence crimes.
- 12 sexual offences.
- 29 thefts.
- 1 stolen motor vehicle.
- 5 fraud or forgery.
- 4 drug offences.
- 17 criminal damages.
- 5 dwelling or commercial burglaries.
- 1 auto crimes.
- 81 anti-social behaviour reports.

Other News

Please note that in addition to the traditional 999 or 101 we can be contacted on our email address is snafiley@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk. Please do not report incidents to this email, but if you would like to speak to a member of our team for advice then please use it.

If an incident of Anti-Social Behaviour occurs which you would like Police to deal with then please report this as soon as possible after the event to allow Officers the best chance to deal with the culprits. Please do not wait until next time you happen to bump into an Officer or Parish Councillor. It allows us to make connections with other incidents and deal with individuals for patterns of behaviour rather than incidents in isolation. It does not matter if no suspects have been seen or cannot be identified; we may have this reported on another nearby incident and be able to link them.

If you wish to look at crime statistics, along with stop-searches, news & events and other information for your area, then please visit www.police.uk. There is a multitude of information on this website.

- Still always phone 999 in emergency and 101 to report incidents or crimes.
- 999 text service - <https://northyorkshire.police.uk/contact/emergency-sms-text-service/>
- Local Station but likely not get same day response at present - snafiley@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk
- General NYP email address - generalenquiries@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk
- Who to contact for any issue & other agency contact details <https://northyorkshire.police.uk/do-it-online/report-it/>
- NYP service directory - <https://northyorkshire.police.uk/do-it-online/service-directory/>
- General Police advice - <https://www.askthe.police.uk/content/default.mth>
- Silent solution system, helps victims of domestic violence/stalking who cannot talk - <https://northyorkshire.police.uk/contact/the-silent-solution-system/>

North Yorkshire Community Messenger

At the July MS Teams catch up with Police and Councils, it was asked about the possibility of North Yorkshire Community Messenger (NYCM) automatically posting to a Parish Council social media account or web site. Having spoken to our Corporate Communications department, in short, this isn't possible, but...

There is a share option on the bottom of each message, you can share it to a social media account or elsewhere via this. So, if you have an email list, or other distribution list set up of people who are not on community messenger then the messages can be shared to this in a few seconds.

NYCM is a format that all Community Officers have received recent training in and are planning to use more often. It takes a few seconds for you to sign up and receive regular updates about what's occurring in your neighbourhood.

Sign up here - <https://www.northyorkshire.police.uk/what-we-do/tackling-crime/what-you-can-do/community-messaging/>



Derwent & Hertford Rural Watch – October

Let's follow on from where we left off in the September report. If you remember, that was on the topic of bogus callers and online security, as was the August edition; hopefully, you will feel able to fend off any "cyber" attack or a visit from your home with confidence? If not, read on. This is the last of the trilogy articles.

Bogus Callers

Bogus callers are people who come to your home and pretend to be something they are not – it's that simple Or is it? If you had a visit from a chap (or lady) who looked like they were in uniform of either Emergency Services and/or utility workmen, you would easily think that you are safe ... they are Emergency Services, right? Well maybe not!

Always check the ID of anyone "official" you do not know who comes to your door, especially if they are giving you information you are not aware of. If they are genuine, they will not mind staying on your doorstep while you call the company, they are saying they are from; but the important thing is **do not open the door to let them in!** Leave them on the doorstep while you carry out checks – and don't use any numbers they may give you, get it from the phone book, or better still, keep a list of "handy numbers" by your home phone, for such occurrences. Check their ID card to ensure if it genuine by getting them to put it up against the locked door or window. The best way to keep yourself safe, is to set up security passwords with your utility companies; that way they will give you a password so you know they are genuine.

Someone coming to your home may even try to sell you wares that you do not want. Your door is your first line of defence – **if unsure, do NOT open the door, do NOT let them in.**

Could be someone offering to carry out work at your property as we have looked at earlier. **Same rule applies; do NOT let them in;** either send them away immediately, or if you feel you can take a mental description, and as soon as you have sent them on their way, contact the Police (if appropriate) or the County Council (Trading Standards) and give them the description of persons and/or vehicles.

For security, fit good window and door locks to protect your home. Even consider CCTV or a door camera so that you can monitor visitors to your home.

NEVER let anyone drive you to a cashpoint to withdraw money who isn't part of your security bubble. #KeepYourselfSafe #KeepOthersSafe.

Distraction Burglars

This is where they gain access to your home with what may sound a feasible reason; there are usually more than one – one to distract you, the other to commit burglary and get your personal belongings. They use the excuse of doing a survey that might save you money ... yeh, right!! Sadly though, they do often use our own greed against us, as stated before we all want something for nowt, don't we!

So follow this advice and it should keep you safe and sound in your home

- **LOCK** - Keep your front and back doors locked even when you are at home.
- **STOP** - Before you answer, stop and think whether you are expecting anyone. Check you have locked the back door and taken the key out. Look through a spy hole or window to see who the caller is.

- **CHAIN** - If you decide to open the door, put the chain or door bar on first, if you have one. Keep the chain or bar on while you are talking to the caller. With PVC doors, it can be difficult and costly to fit a door chain, consider fitting a Secure Ring instead.
- **FIRE SAFETY** - Only put on your door chain as you answer the door, don't keep it on all the time as this could delay your exit in case of fire.
- **CHECK** - Look at their clothing. Some official callers will have a uniform bearing their organisation name or logo. Even if the caller has a pre-arranged appointment with you, check their identification card carefully. Close the door while you do this. If you are still unsure, call the company concerned to verify their representative's identity. If you're still not sure ask the caller to come back later when someone is with you.

If you wish to become a member of the Derwent & Hertford Rural WhatsApp Group and keep yourself and others safe, please contact Trish on trishcolling@gmail.com or 07974 913105.

The WhatsApp Group uses Police generated messages (and information from Members) to keep each other up to speed on crime trends within our area. So contact Trish on the information given above to get yourself on the messaging list.

Until next time..... #StaySafe



Community SpeedWatch

If you wish to make a complaint about speeding, please email – communityspeedwatch@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk and they will get in touch to discuss what options are available. This can range from enforcement from speed vans to members of the Community being trained in the use of a speed gun!

Community Messaging is “Live”

If you wish to receive community news via messaging, please visit the North Yorkshire Police website – Community Messaging and sign up or speak with a member of the Safer Neighbourhood Team

Crimestoppers

If you have any information you would like to pass on in confidence, please contact Crimestoppers on **0800 555 111**



Property Marking

Consider marking your expensive property – such as laptops, iPads, game consoles and TVs. Your local Neighbourhood Team will be happy to assist with this.

Also, register your new property at www.immobilise.com

Local News

Here is where you will see local news posted – could be a forthcoming fete, Show or roadshow. Contact Matthew.Hazelwood@northyorkshire.pnn.police.uk to “advertise” your event here !!

For any complaints regarding 101 or other issues, please go to the North Yorkshire Police Website, click – Contact us at the top of the page, then ‘complain to us box’

Or go straight to it by this link - <https://northyorkshire.police.uk/contact/complain-to-us/>



Contact NYP



Your Local Team

Beat Manager

PC1964 Davis

PCSOs

PCSO 5565 Johnson

PCSO 5241 Mainprize

PCSO 5509 Almond

Useful Contact Numbers

Highways 01609 780 780

NHS 111

Local Dog Warden 01723 232323

Action Fraud 0300 123 2040



Force Twitter – @NYorksPolice



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