NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

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Farm Watch Coordinator's Update

There were eleven reported cases of animals loose on the highway this week. This was made up of one sheep and ten horses. Sadly, one was hit by a car and because of the injuries it had to be humanely destroyed. Please carry on checking your roadside hedges and fences daily, this includes those where a railway lines passes by.

Do you ride a horse? Do you ride a bicycle? Do you enjoy walking? If so, please keep an eye out for any unusual or suspicious behaviour while out and about. If appropriate and safe to do so, take a photo and share it with police, or simply make a mental note.

Still, the largest crime type is the theft of power tools, chainsaws, hedge cutters, leaf blowers and strimmers. These items are easy to move on so please make a note of the serial numbers, make and model of every piece of equipment that you own as without them you are unlikely to get them back.

Kindest regards Phillip

Crime and incident update

Monday 21 November 2017 to Sunday 27 November 2017					
Area	Ref	Date	Details		
Adur & Worthing			Nothing reported		
Arun	0552	21/11/2017	The tool shed to a farm on Courtwick Lane, Littlehampton, has bee broken into and a quantity of tools were stolen. These included four generators, two mobile breaker packs complete with guns, one street light and three pumps. A large van would have been required to transport the stolen equipment.		
Brighton & Hove	1312	20/11/2017	Heritage A very large quantity of lead has been stolen from the roof of St Andrews Church Hall, Hillside Road, Brighton. In fact, a complete side has been stolen. The replacement cost is likely to run into several thousands of pounds.		
Chichester	0584	21/11/2017	A store shed on a farm in West Dean, Chichester, was broken into. Fortunately, nothing was stolen.		

	0564	24/11/2017	Heritage The headstone to a grave in St Peters Church, Westhampnett graveyard, has been stolen. The stone dates back to 1902. Some lettering to an adjoining gravestone was also stolen.
	0657	24/11/2017	A 200 metre drum of cable, bearing an identification number of NSGAFOU 1.8/3Kv, has been stolen from Westhampnett Lake, Solar Farm.
	0595	26/11/2017	A stable yard in Itchenor Road, Chichester, has been broken into and a Kawasaki strimmer was stolen.
	0876	26/11/2017	An outbuilding to a farm in Rogate was broken into on 23 November and a strimmer was stolen. The intruders moved a generator but left it behind. The owner moved it to other premises as he suspected they would return for it. So, the next evening/night he was broken into again, but nothing was stolen as the generator was not on the premises.
Crawley			Nothing reported
Eastbourne			Nothing reported
Gatwick			Nothing reported
Hastings			Nothing reported
	0895	23/11/2017	A farm in Smithers Hill Lane, Shipley, has had 1100 litres of fuel stolen from a tanker.
Horsham	0467	25/11/2017	A farm in Grouse Road, Colgate, has been entered and a Polaris Ranger XP900 (farm bubby) VIN: 4XARTA87FT124042, engine number: 0120497416242, in sage green and a Logic MFT120 B18 (industrial mower), serial number: 52122, engine: Vanguard 18HP, in red were stolen.
	0107	22/11/2017	West Sussex Fire & Rescue attended a garage and adjoining farm house fire in Streat Hill, Hassocks, with nine appliances plus water carriers. Sadly, about 50% of the property was destroyed, luckily there were no reports of casualties.
Lewes	1249	23/11/2017	A farmhouse in Spitalhurst Road, Barcombe, was entered during the day. Someone had made a search of the premises but it appears that nothing was stolen.
	0398	24/11/2017	A farmer in Brighton Road, Lewes, found one of his sheep up against a fence with injuries consistent with a dog attack, the sheep had to be put down.
	0634	26/11/2017	East Sussex Fire & Rescuw attended a barn fire in Bush Road, Newhaven. Ignition is described as deliberate. Children were seen running away from the scene. Enquiries are ongoing.
	0976	26/11/2017	There have been two recent break at a stable yard in Ridge Road, Falmer. On the first occasion a saddle and what is described as tack was stolen, then three days later two horse rugs were taken.
Mid Sussex			Nothing reported
Rother	1074	20/11/2017	Farm Buildings on land off the B2096 at Dallington have been broken into by cutting through the padlock. Nothing was stolen.
	1218	20/11/2017	A farm in Ninfield Road, Sidley, and an outbuilding was broken into by forcing the door. Several items were stolen, these included a Husqvarna 576 XP chainsaw, two Stihl chainsaws 181 C, one chainsaw, a chainsaw logging device, a Stihl pole saw and a Stihl hedge cutter.

	0640	25/11/2017	Premises in Fourteen Acre Lane, Three Oaks, were entered. The intruders got into a caravan that is used for storage, an untidy search was made but nothing was stolen. An unsuccessful attempt was made to gain entry to an outbuilding.
	1228	26/11/2017	A quantity of second hand truck and tractor batteries have been stolen from a farm in Dallington.
Wealden	1218	23/11/2017	Between 2:30pm and 3:30pm on Thursday, 23 November, there was a break to a garage in Waldron Road, Horam. A child's sized blue and white Yamaha motocross bike was taken. Other items stolen include a Stihl hedge cutter with strimmer head, Husqvarna chainsaw, Dewalt router and laser levelling equipment.
	0758	26/11/2017	An unsuccessful attempt was made to cut the chain to a farm entrance in Wannock Road, Hailsham.

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