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Kirkham and Rural Fylde newsletter incorporating Bryning with Warton, Clifton, Elswick, Freckleton, Kirkham, Newton, Singleton, Staining, Weeton, Wesham and Wrea Green.

Police continue to tackle metal theft

The police in Rural Fylde in conjunction with Fylde Borough Council officers will be continuing to target metal theft offenders over the coming months. Officers will be conducting several operations stopping vans and flat bed lorries to check the occupants and their goods. Metal theft is a national problem with thieves mainly targeting lead and copper.

Thefts from buildings also continues to be a problem. St Annes Parish Church at Singleton was targeted recently by thieves who stole lead from the church roof during the night.

Follow this advice to help reduce metal theft:

· Report suspicious activity around buildings. If a crime is in progress please ring the emergency line 999 and other incidents can be reported on the 101

- Avoid leaving anything lying around that could be used to help a thief e.g. ladders.
- · Make it difficult for thieves to move stolen goods by storing wheelbarrows and wheelie bins securely.
- Consider anti-vandal paint and property marking.
- Use alternative materials to lead for any repairs - to reduce the risk of becoming a target for thieves.
- · Regularly check your roofs so that any theft is found before it rains and further damage is caused.
- · Consider installing security lighting, particularly at roof level where metal roof coverings are present.

know your local team



PC Robin Hardiman

PC Dave Little PCSO Carly Smith

Kirkham



PCSO Arran Woodward

Newton and Clifton

PC Dave Little

PCSO Angela Slater

Staining and Weeton



PCSO Andy Rigby

Wesham



PCSO Jacqui Marwick

Wrea Green



PCSO Trevor Stirling

New Community Beat Manager for Rural Fylde

PC Lyndsey Hooper is your new Community Beat manager for Rural Fylde covering Staining, Singleton, Elswick; Little Eccleston; Weeton, Greenhalgh along with PCSO Andy Rigby. Lyndsey has been a police officer since 2004 and has worked mainly at Blackpool where she spent the last three years working in the Licensing Department . She will have her own police marked vehicle from April enabling her to cover this large area and deal with any on going problems.

If you wish to contact PC Hooper or any other member of your local team ring 01253 607044 or email Kirkham.NPT@ lancashire.pnn.police.uk



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Neighbourhood Policing keeping you in the know



Working hard for you

Speeding tackled in Singleton

PC Hooper and PCSO Rigby conducted operation Pathway in Singleton Village on Wednesday 7 March and issued two fixed penalty tickets for drivers using mobile phones, two tickets for not wearing seatbelts and recorded seven speeding offences in Singleton Village.

Fixed penalty tickets issued

Police and Council officers stopped over 30 vehicles on March 8 in an initiative aimed at tackling metal theft offenders – several individual were issued with fixed penalty tickets for traffic offences.

'Inspiring' teenager named Lancashire Young Citizen of the Year

A teenager who turned his life around to become a role model for others has won the High Sheriff's Young Citizen of the Year Award in recognition of his outstanding achievements.

15-year-old Ashley Thompson, from Blackpool, received his award during a special ceremony at Lancashire Police's headquarters in Hutton.

The High Sheriff of Lancashire's Young Citizen of the Year Awards, sponsored by BAE Systems, take place every year and involve the current High Sheriff Peter Mileham inviting applications to find a young person who has helped either their local neighbourhood, an individual, family member or local organisation.

Ashley won the award after the judges heard about how his life has changed since he joined the Boathouse Project in Blackpool. He first attended when he was 12, due to his disinterest in school and often challenging behaviour. The sessions enabled him to see the opportunities available to him and he progressed through the project to become a young leader. Among his many responsibilities, he currently chairs the project's youth council meeting, tasks other attendees and delivers sessions to children aged between five and ten.

Special opportunities on offer – do YOU fit the bill?

PEOPLE looking for an exciting challenge that will give them new skills while making good use of their spare time are being invited to speak to Lancashire Constabulary about becoming a Special Constable.

A Specials recruitment event is being held by officers at Blackpool's Houndshill Shopping Centre on Thursday 12th April from 9am – 4pm.

Anyone who would like to find out more about the role of the Special Constabulary is welcome to speak to officers at the event and meet members of both the special constabulary and regular police force to talk about the opportunities available.

Lancashire Constabulary retains customer service award

LANCASHIRE Constabulary has once again received national recognition for its commitment to providing a high quality service to residents in the county.

Following an annual reassessment, the Constabulary has retained the prestigious Government Customer Service Excellence Award.

The Constabulary had to demonstrate that it understood customer needs, took timely action to deal with calls for assistance and delivered the service it promised to individuals.

Deputy Chief Constable Chris Weigh said: "Lancashire Constabulary is one

of the country's top performing police forces, a position we are extremely keen to sustain and this award is evidence of the fact that we are striving hard to meet the needs of the public."





The Government Standard



Come along and meet your local officers at the following Police and Community Together (PACT) meetings:

Staining

Thursday 17 May 6.30pm, Staining Village Hall

Kirkham

Monday 14 May 5.30pm, Mill Street Community Centre

Medlar with Wesham
Check website for details.

Wrea Green

Monday 14 May 7 pm, Ballam Church, West Moss Lane, Wesby

Warton

Wednesday 30 May 5.30-6.30pm, Warton Village Hall

Newton and Clifton

First Wednesday of the month 5pm, Newton Village Hall.

Weeton / Singleton / Elswick

Flexi PACT

Time and venue subject to change – check website for details

Freckleton

Monday 14 May 6pm, Freckleton Methodist Hall

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