



EAST BRIDGFORD NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Over the past 12 months our Scheme has continued to operate under the control of three Joint Head Co-ordinators being Paul Bancroft, Derek Atkinson and Elaine Bateman.

Including the Joint Head Co-ordinators, the Scheme has 27 Co-ordinators and provides cover for the whole of East Bridgford. There are currently three vacancies to cover remaining areas of the village.

Co-ordinators meetings have not been held this last year. The Police however have held Priority Setting Meetings (PSM) although due to structure change PCSO's will be taking this meeting and not Police officers. This meeting is an opportunity to discuss the top priorities affecting East Bridgford and surrounding areas. The top priorities being targeted are currently

1. **Off-road bikes and quad bikes** - Police to devise a strategy
2. **Non-dwelling Burglary** – outbuildings, sheds and garages
3. **Speeding**– including increased use of Community Speed Reduction Scheme initiative (i.e. new SpeedWatch)

East Bridgford has previously highlighted speeding, theft from cars and drug taking as the major topics, and the Police have had good arrest rates from these problems. The village website is also kept up to date with messages, when these are received. The list of Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) reports have been amalgamated with the monthly crime figures, which are starting to come through again, now some stability in the Police structure is being seen.

Steve Mathias and Sally Charles are currently Beat Manager and local PCSO for East Bridgford, and at the last meeting we were advised of a 4% drop in crime levels for Rushcliffe South over the same period last year. There have been no spikes or identifiable trends in the figures.

Villagers are actively encouraged to find out what is happening in and around their area by signing up to the Rushcliffe Community website which gives local updates on crimes, incidents and advice. This website, which can be found at www.neighbourhoodalert.co.uk highlights any bogus activities and makes people aware of local crime.

Crime levels in the village over the last year have been low, varying between 0 and 4 incidents a month. Average crimes over the year have increased slightly, due to being amalgamated with the ASB figures. Currently running at 2.4 incidents per month in 2015/16 from 1.5 per month for 2014.

For comparative purposes the 12 month moving averages are shown below:-

End of March 2012	1.7 crimes per month	1.9 Anti Social Behaviours per month
End of March 2013	1.2 crimes per month	2.4 Anti Social Behaviours per month
End of March 2014	1.1 crimes per month	0.4 Anti Social Behaviours per month
End of March 2015	2.4 crimes per month	

The continuation of the Scheme is due to the ongoing commitment and dedication of our Street Co-ordinators and the strong support and encouragement received from the Parish Council.

P Bancroft
Joint Head Co-ordinator
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