



FEBRUARY 2023 EDITION

NEWS



BEAT REPORT

Hello and welcome to the December 2022 Beat Report for the New Forest Heart area. Your team is PC 24901 Mark ROBERTS and PCSO 14495 Richard WILLIAMS.

In February we will be holding the following meetings.

On Thursday 9th February we would love to see you at the YARN IN A BARN EVENT at Lyndhurst Community Centre from 6pm to 9pm. This is a social, information and support event for the farming community. It is free to attend but you do need to register either by going online at bit.ly/3ZDLQYt or emailing sallyfield.fcn@gmail.com

On Sunday 12th we will be with our colleagues from Forestry England and the National Park Authority at their Responsible Dog Owner event, this month at MOONHILLS car park at 8.30am. Then on the same day we will be at St Michael and All Angels Church in Lyndhurst just after the morning service, so approximately 10.30am.

At the end of the month, we will be at Bramshaw Village Stores at 8am on Monday 27th February and at 9am on the same day we will be outside the Bartley Post Office. On Tuesday 28th February join us at the Post Office in the Happy Cheese in Ashurst at 11am. These Beat Surgeries are your chance to meet us in person and to ask us about issues you are having where you live. Alternatively, you can always call or email us on the details below but to report a crime or any anti-social behaviour dial 101 or go the Hampshire and IOW Police website. Of course, if it's an emergency always call 999.

A robbery took place on Southampton Road at Cadnam, near to the Dobbies Garden Centre just after 8pm on Thursday 5th January. This investigation is still ongoing, and we are looking for anyone who was in the area at the time who saw a vehicle or person acting suspiciously to contact us. If you have any information or perhaps some dashcam or CCTV footage, please call us and quote the crime number 44230006175.

Nine outbuildings were broken into in January. They were on the SSE site at Castle Malwood, at two farms in Minstead and in Brockenhurst, Woodlands, Winsor and Emery Down. Other thefts this month include a bronze statue from a garden in Beaulieu, an excavator from a site in Bramshaw and a car that was stolen from the car park of the Travelodge at Stoney Cross.

On Wednesday 11th January we helped our colleagues on the Country Watch team with OP WOLF, a police-led operation to target rogue traders, fly tippers and vehicles that shouldn't be on the road. 50 vehicles were stopped and 7 were given prohibition notices, 2 were seized for not having any insurance, 2 drivers were given fines for transporting dangerous goods in an inappropriate manner, 1 had no MOT, 3 had no TAX and 1 was reported for not having a waste

carriers licence. Since that operation we have seized another car that was dumped at Boltons Bench, and we believe has been used in crime across the New Forest and we are also investigating a fly tip that started at Denny Wood and ended up by Parc Pale car park at Lyndhurst. We will update you on both of those investigations next month.

Eight cars and vans were broken into in January- they were parked in Rams Wood, Blackwater, Longcross and Highland Water car parks as well as at the Travelodge at Stoney Cross and on driveways in Lyndhurst and Winsor. Number plates were also taken from a car in Winsor and damage was caused to a car parked overnight in the main car park at Lyndhurst.

January has seen two vehicles dumped and then burnt out in Minstead and Busketts Lawn and two drivers were arrested for failing drugs wipes on the A31 at Stoney Cross and in Wilverley plain car park.

We started the New Year with another early morning Op Mountie session on Roger Penny Way and at Kings Hat car park. Op Mountie is our multi agency approach to reducing speeds and animal deaths across the New Forest. Between 6.30am and 8.30am on 2nd January we issued tickets to 4 drivers who recorded speeds of 50, 53, 57 and 58mph.

The Copythorne Community Speed Watch team went out on 9 surveys in January, despite the cold weather, spending a combined total of 35½ hours at the roadside. They monitored over 1,600 vehicles during the surveys and the majority of drivers were driving with care. However, 216 drivers were monitored driving over the 30 Mph speed limit and will be receiving a Police letter and 1 individual driver was accelerating past the radar at over 50 Mph, so will have direct Police contact. Please keep within the speed limits for everyone's safety. If you would like to 'have a go' and join the friendly Copythorne Speed Watch team on a survey, let me know.

Thank you again for all the calls made to the Police last month about the suspicious people and vehicles you have seen in the Northern New Forest. Please keep those calls coming. You can call 101 or if you prefer you can call PC ROBERTS or PCSO WILLIAMS directly.

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NEW FORSET DISTRICT COUNCIL WILL NOT INCREASE CAR PARKING CHARGES

Parking costs in the New Forest district car parks will not rise in 2023.

The New Forest District Council short stay annual 'parking clock' will remain at £30, long stay annual clock at £140, and long stay quarterly clock at £40.

Car park charges in the New Forest District towns and villages has not changed since January 2018 and so these will stay the same, and coastal car park charges will be held at the current 2021 price.



New Forest
DISTRICT COUNCIL

NEW FORSET DISTRICT COUNCIL AWARDS FUNDING TO OVER 15 WARM SPACES

Over 15 New Forest organisations have received grant funding from New Forest District Council (NFDC) to set up Warm Spaces for the community this winter.

In October 2022, NFDC announced their Warm Spaces grant for existing organisations to apply for one-off funding to offer a warm welcoming space for residents.

New Forest District Council have received applications from various community groups including in Totton, Milford, Lyndhurst, Fordingbridge, Blackfield and Dibden.

Each Warm Space has been allocated between £200 and £1,000 to contribute towards running costs and have committed to being open to the community for a minimum of four hours a week until March 2023.

Ryan Stevens, service manager for Revenues and Benefits, New Forest District Council, said: "It's been uplifting to see so many organisations across the district wanting to open their doors to offer a safe and warm welcome to residents over these winter months. We're delighted to have already supported 16 organisations, with grants totalling £13,220, but we still have funding available to help create more Warm Spaces. I'd encourage any community groups or charities who are considering opening as a Warm Space to get in touch."

Applications for New Forest District Council's Warm Space grant can be made at www.newforest.gov.uk/warmspacesgrant

Organisations or groups that can apply include places that already have facilities such as toilets, heating, Wi-Fi, tables and chairs and tea making facilities. This could involve being open on days which they aren't usually, being open for longer or widening the offer to all in need of a Warm Space.

Applications will be assessed taking into account the community reach and impact and will also consider the spaces already identified to ensure a spread of Warm Spaces across the district.

Residents can find a full list of Warm Spaces across the district at <https://www.newforest.gov.uk/article/3173/Find-a-Warm-Space>



School children from Blackfield Primary School joined tree officers from New Forest District Council (NFDC) to plant 304 young trees at Fawley Fields on Wednesday 7 December.

Alongside staff from NFDC and the school, the group of children planted native oak and beech trees. They also learnt how planting trees benefits the environment and helped to plant bulbs which are expected to flower this Spring.

NFDC prepared the site in advance by digging holes and adding stakes to the trees, ready for planting.

The trees were planted as a part of The Queen's Green Canopy. The national tree planting initiative was created to celebrate Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee and has since been extended from December 2022 to March 2023 to serve as a lasting tribute to her legacy.

Cllr David Russell, NFDC portfolio holder for people and places, said, "Enhancing and improving our green spaces across the district remains a key priority for us as we work to tackle climate change and protect nature. On behalf of the council, I would like to say a big thank you to the school children and staff for their enthusiasm and for being a part of this project. The site at Fawley Fields provides a wonderful space for the community and a special tribute to Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, and I hope our residents will enjoy it."

Tariq Sasso, principal of Blackfield Primary School, spoke to the council, "The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves planting the trees for the Queen's Green Canopy. They know how important it is to look after our environment and I know they found it special to build something that would help remember The Queen. They are going to share what they've done

with the rest of the school during an assembly after the Christmas holidays and will be planting some trees on our school field too, as they have been so inspired.”

The tree planting at Fawley Fields was scheduled for late 2022, to coincide with the national tree planting season, which typically runs from October to March.

The tree planting will be recorded as part of The Queen’s Green Canopy project, and added to a virtual map on their website at <https://queensgreencanopy.org/>

Further enhancements are scheduled for Fawley Fields, after it was identified by the council as an area which could be developed to promote biodiversity and the local environment. The council are preparing wildflower areas at the site, where a mixture of native annual and perennial seeds will be planted in the Spring.



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH CRIME PREVENTION FREE WEBINAR SERIES

We are delighted to invite you to attend our free crime prevention webinars running during February.

Each webinar will be delivered by Neighbourhood Watch with an expert speaker on each of the topics of knife crime, burglary prevention and scams. Places are free but limited. We traditionally fill places very quickly so book your place soon to avoid disappointment. As our webinars are very popular, we ask that you only book a place if you intend to attend, to open spaces for others.

The PREVENTING BURGLARY WITH WIDEN and UNDERSTANDING THE PSYCHOLOGY OF SCAMS webinars will each be run twice – you only need to book on one of those, not both.

The EXPLOITATION, GANGS AND KNIFE CRIME AWARENESS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS is a two-part course; and we ask that ONLY PARENTS AND CARERS attend those and that you commit to attending both sessions.

BOOK YOUR PLACE HERE [Webinars and podcasts | Neighbourhood Watch Network \(ourwatch.org.uk\)](#)

PREVENTING BURGLARY WITH WIDEN

Dates and times: 14th Feb 1pm – 2pm and 22nd Feb 6pm – 7pm – please attend one session only

Speaker: Inspector Matt Coe, Sergeant Matt Coe, Crime Prevention, London Safety Centre

Sergeant Matt Coe is going to lead us through a webinar on burglary prevention and the importance of keeping your property safe and working with your neighbours. Matt has worked in the Metropolitan Police for the last 21 years, his early career was spent working in a variety of departments, from neighbourhoods policing to intelligence and surveillance, on promotion Matt ran the counter pickpocket and theft teams across Westminster where his passion for crime prevention was born. Since 2012 Matt has worked in crime prevention related roles covering the design and guidance for new housing in London, introducing new legislation and leading an innovative collaboration with the Fire Brigade and Ambulance Service to reduce demand across all three services. Additionally Matt leads on Crime

Prevention as a subject matter expert and is the Crime Prevention training lead for the Metropolitan Police.

UNDERSTANDING THE PSYCHOLOGY OF SCAMS

Dates: 15th Feb, 3.30-4.30pm and 28th Feb, 5.30-6.30pm – please attend one session only

Speaker: Paul Maskall from the Fraud & Cyber Crime Prevention Manager, Dedicated Card and Payment Crime Unit (DCPCU)

Back by popular demand, Paul Maskall will host a fireside chat on the psychology of scams and explain why scammers are so effective at their crimes. This fascinating insight into the way cyber criminals identify targets, often using data sold to them by other criminals, execute scams which use emotional blackmail and rational reasoning.

Although a scary topic, the much better news is that he will teach you how to question and swiftly deal with approaches from the criminal fraternity. An unmissable opportunity to learn more about cybercrime and fraud.

EXPLOITATION, GANGS AND KNIFE CRIME AWARENESS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS

Dates: Tues 21st Feb, 7-9pm and Tues 28th Feb, 7-9pm (Both should be attended to take full advantage of this opportunity.)

Speaker: The workshops are hosted by The Ben Kinsella Trust and they will be facilitated by Anoushka Dunic and Patrick Green.

Parents and carers will gain a greater understanding and awareness of gangs, knife crime and how to keep young people safe. Parenting children and young adults is hard. Sometimes it can be scary and overwhelming, with news stories and social media influencing how safe we feel our children are and the risks they may face in today's climate.

These two workshops help you learn more about what is regular teenage behaviour and what might be signs that a young person in your care is vulnerable to being groomed or exploited by others. During the 2-week workshop, you will develop an understanding of the following topics:

Week 1 – Tuesday 21st of February 2023, 7-9pm

- Introduction to the work of The Ben Kinsella Trust
- "Attachment" and "peer" orientation
- Stress and how this affects brain development and behaviour of young people
- Why some children may be vulnerable to being exploited
- Stages and signs of exploitation
- Free resources for parents

Week 2 – Tuesday 28th February 2023, 7-9pm

- What street gangs are, what they do, how and why
- Language, social media, and drill music
- The risks involved in gang lifestyles
- County lines
- Trauma experienced by those affected by gangs
- Why exploited children and young adults may resist help and support
- Building resilience within the family and community
- Further support available for families



ANIMAL ACCIDENTS FALL

Figures released by the New Forest Verderers reveal that the number of animals killed or injured on roads through the Forest continued to fall last year as a result of a series of spot checks and driver education events that took place on some key accident hot spots.

The total number of New Forest animals killed or injured and destroyed was 41 compared to 44 in 2021. This includes:

- 34 ponies
- three pigs
- two cows
- two donkeys.

A further 19 animals were injured compared to 15 last year. Overall, Agisters attended 82 incidents, compared with 103 in 2021:

- 26 of these incidents happened in daylight
- 13 in twilight
- 43 in the dark.

Despite the numbers being lower, the multi-agency Animal Accident Reduction Group is still concerned about the overall number of accidents, with 12 of these being hit and runs.

Gilly Jones from New Forest Roads Awareness said: 'We are pleased at the reduction in incidents that Agisters have attended, but we are still concerned about the incidents in daylight and twilight. Forestry England has done a sterling job at cutting back the verges to make sure that drivers can see the livestock. Speed is still an issue, part of our work with Operation Mountie has shown that unfortunately some drivers have no regard for the 40-mph speed limit. The loss of an animal affects the owners – as Commoners we put so much time and effort into our animals, who shape the New Forest.

'From pre-Covid levels the number of accidents reported has almost halved. In 2019 there were 159 incidents with 58 animals dying and another 32 injured. We have to see this as a positive and it shows that the work undertaken by the Verderers, Forestry England, Hampshire Police, New Forest Roads Awareness, Commoners Defence Association, New Forest National Park Authority and New Forest District Council, is getting to the majority of drivers, and they are driving with more care.'

Head Agister Jonathan Gerrelli said: 'While we are down on the number of accidents the Agisters attended, we hope that will still reduce. The work done by the Animal Accident Reduction Group has helped hugely with this, but the main thank you must go to the drivers who are crossing the Forest with livestock on their minds.'

Charlotte Belcher, Community Manager for Forestry England said: 'Thank you to every driver who takes extra care on Forest roads. Working with partners on targeted action we have collectively been able to reach many more people to share information on how to keep themselves and animals safe when travelling through the Forest. It is especially important during the winter, with rapidly changing weather and driving conditions, that everyone continues to drive safely and pass wide and slow when near forest ponies and other animals.'

Police Sergeant Carl Peverill, from Hampshire and Isle of Wight Constabulary, said: 'Our multi-agency approach has ensured that we've achieved what we had set out to do, which was to reduce the number of animal casualties on New Forest roads. In turn this has helped to play key role in reducing the number of incidents that local Agisters needed to attend when a wild animal had been injured on local Forest roads. Driving conditions throughout the year change

– and has a significant impact on the speed limit, especially during dusk, twilight and hours of darkness. Remember, a speed limit is exactly that – a limit. Not a target.'

New Forest National Park Authority Chair Prof Gavin Parker said: 'The free-roaming animals are known as the "architects of the Forest" and it is their grazing which helps make the Forest internationally important for wildlife. It's good to see this reduction in animal accidents but if the worst happens and you do collide with a Forest animal or witness an accident, please report it quickly so it's not left to suffer.'

What to do if you're involved in or see an accident

Drivers are required by law to report any accident involving a pony, cow, donkey, pig, sheep or deer to the Police, as soon as possible, within 24 hours, even if the animal runs off.

- Reports should be made either by calling 999 in an emergency or 101 for non-emergencies.
- Sick, injured or distressed animals, excluding deer, should be reported to the Verderers' office by calling 023 8028 2052 (Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm only).
- Alternatively, animals, including deer, can be reported to Forestry England's 24-hour line: 0300 067 4600.
- Using the app what3Words location to provide an accurate location can help to reduce the time it takes to get you or an animal help.



New Forest SURVEY RESULTS SHOW CLEAR PRIORITIES FOR NFDC
DISTRICT COUNCIL

The initial findings of a survey with New Forest residents have been released, and New Forest District Council's (NFDC) Cabinet will be discussing the results at their meeting on 1 February 2023.

The survey asked residents for their views on a range of topics such as climate and the environment, living in the area, safety, and access to council services.

The survey shows strong performance for the authority against national benchmarks, along with some areas for improvement identified.

Cllr Jill Cleary, NFDC leader, said, "As we approach the district council elections in May, I am reassured to see that our residents value our services and that we are performing well in many areas.

"We are committed to listening to our communities and we recognise that there are areas where we can improve, so we will be using the feedback to make our services even better.

"Further analysis of the data will happen before we can fully understand what the survey is telling us, but our focus will be on affordable housing, increased recycling, caring for the environment, and keeping the area clean and safe. And we continue to prioritise and protect what people most value about the area and our council services."

Kate Ryan, NFDC's chief executive, said, "These results are really encouraging and it's great to see that our residents are satisfied with so many of the services we provide. I know our staff work really hard to improve the lives of our residents and truly care about the work they do. "This survey tells us the priorities we need to focus on for our residents and also how people like to work and do business with us. This will help us shape our delivery priorities and transformation programme for the future."

The council would like to thank all those who participated in the survey for their valuable input, and remind all residents that feedback can be given at any time in a variety of ways:

- contact customer services <https://newforest.gov.uk/article/1162/Contact-us>
- give us your feedback, comments and complaints <https://newforest.gov.uk/article/1474/Feedback-comments-and-complaints>
- message us on social media <https://newforest.gov.uk/article/1162/Contact-us#h22>
- contact your councillor <https://newforest.gov.uk/article/1204/Your-councillors>
- sign up to receive residents emails and hear about other consultations to take part in <https://newforest.gov.uk/emails>

The report with initial results can be seen at <https://newforest.gov.uk/residentssurvey>

Headline findings of the survey include:

- 96% of residents feel very or fairly safe in their local area in the day, and 73% after dark.
- 93% of respondents are satisfied with the area as a place to live
- 89% feel their local area is a place where people get on well together
- 82% of people who contacted NFDC about an inquiry or problem found it easy
- 93% use the internet (non-work use)
- 75% feel worried about the impact of climate change
- 66% agree NFDC could do more to encourage households to recycle more
- 78% are satisfied with the way NFDC runs things
- 66% of respondents feel that the council keeps residents well-informed about the services it provides
- 74% trust NFDC a great deal or fair amount



CRIME PREVENTION ADVISORY SERVICE

Hampshire Constabulary wanted to share an update with you from our partners, The Blue Lamp Trust, of which our Chief Constable Olivia Pinkney is a Trustee.

The Blue Lamp Trust helps protect vulnerable residents in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight from becoming victims of crime - as part of their crime prevention advisory service.

The scheme from the Blue Lamp Trust offers **FREE** home visits providing both general and specific crime and fire prevention advice to improve home safety.

They visit residents of Hampshire and the Isle of Wight who are:

- Vulnerable due to age (over 65)
- Disabled
- A victim of crime
- A victim of burglary
- A victim of domestic abuse

Their trained, police vetted, Bobby Scheme Fitters will visit and carry out a full survey and, as appropriate fit items free of charge, such as:

- Locks
- Spy Holes
- Door Chains
- Smoke Alarms
- Carbon Monoxide Alarms

Installing Key Safes

They can also supply and fit Supra C500 Key Safes. These are ACPO Police Accredited and have a 5-year guarantee. Cost £75.

All of the Blue Lamp Trust advisors are police vetted and carry ID cards to reassure local residents that they are genuine – and please remember, they will not be offended if you ask to see their ID to validate their identity.

Referrals

If you, or anybody you know, is eligible (based on the criteria above) and would benefit from a Bobby Scheme referral, please enquire via the Blue Lamp Trust website at <https://www.bluelamptrust.org.uk/bobby-scheme-choice/>.

Alternatively, you can make an enquiry by calling the Blue Lamp Trust directly on 0300 777 0157.



KING'S CORONATION - SAT 06 MAY 2023

The National Association of Civic Officers have published information about the King's Coronation on Saturday 6th May and provided details about some of the national events that will be taking place over that weekend.

The coronation itself will take place at Westminster Abbey on the morning of Saturday 6th May. Sunday 7th May will be the day for a Coronation Concert staged and broadcast live at Windsor Castle and a Coronation Big Lunch will take place on the same day. The Big Lunch is being organised by the Eden Project and downloadable resources will be available from www.coronationbiglunch.com.

The bank holiday on Monday 8th May will be focusing on volunteering and The Big Help Out is aimed at encouraging people to try volunteering in their local area.

Further details can be found using the links below, and we will publish updates in our newsletters/member emails:

<https://www.royal.uk/coronation-weekend-plans-announced>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-64349942>

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



09 FEB

6-9pm

LYNDHURST
COMMUNITY CENTRE

YARN IN THE BARN EVENT

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12 FEB

8:30am

MOONHILLS CAR
PARK

RESPONSIBLE DOG OWNER EVENT

We will be with our colleagues from Forestry England and the National Park Authority

10:30am

ST.MICHAEL AND ALL
ANGELS CHURCH
LYNDHURST

BEAT SURGERIES

These Beat Surgeries are your chance to meet us in person and to ask us about issues you are having where you live.

27 FEB

8am

BRAMSHAW VILLAGE
STORES

Alternatively, you can always call or email us on the details below but to report a crime or any anti-social behaviour dial 101 or go the Hampshire and IOW Police website.

27 FEB

9am

BARTLEY POST OFFICE

	28 FEB 11am POST OFFICE, HAPPY CHEESE, ASHURST	Of course, if it's an emergency always call 999.
	02 FEB 2:15pm BRAMSHAW VILLAGE HALL	WI Speaker Mr Steve Herra. Body through the Porthole - Desire, Deceit and Death. Visitors always welcome.
	08 NOV 7.00 for 7.30pm BRAMSHAW VILLAGE HALL	BRAMSHAW HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY Ray Broughton: Future developments in horticulture – to cope with changes in the climate BHS meet on the second Tuesday of the month, 7.00 for 7.30pm. For further information contact Sue Yandell: 023 8081 2994
	3RD FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH BRAMSHAW VILLAGE HALL	BRAMSHAW & DISTRICT FILM SOCIETY Raffle every film evening, to win a free ticket to the next showing Come and enjoy a glass of wine before the start of the film Annual Membership £3 - Guest Membership £1 - Attendance £4 per evening
	21 FEB 7:30pm Bramshaw Village Hall (Community Room)	BRAMSHAW PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Here's a link to view the Agenda (once it's been published) on the Parish Council's website Agendas and Minutes

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