

Community Safety

Report to Etchingam Parish Council, 21st April 2022

Updates of incidents in the area in recent weeks supplied by PCSO Emma Phillips.

Reports relating to the area for the month of March, not too many reports last month, one incident relating to Etchingam.

A few in neighbouring villages, and some more fairly local incidents.

LOCATION	TIME FRAME	POLICE REFERENCE	OCCURRENCE
Etchingam Church Lane	Since September 2021	SXP-20220303-0886	On 2 separate occasions 2 gates have been stolen.
Battle Almonry Fields	14:00 05/03	SXP-20220305-0908	Eggs have been thrown at a residential property.
Battle Powdermill Lane	14:50 06/03	SXP-20220306-0690	Report of eggs being thrown at vehicles
Battle Swallow Drive	17:00 06/03 – 09:30 07/03	SXP-20220309-0663	Damage has been caused to a vehicle.
Battle Market Square	17:00 09/03 – 09:00 10/03	SXP-20220310-0567	Damage has been caused to a lock.
Sedlescombe Hurst Lane	17:00 11/03 – 08:30 12/03	SXP-20220312-0305	A property has been broken into.
Netherfield Darvel Down	20:30 15/03	SXP-20220315-1327	A shed has been broken into and a bike has been stolen.
Battle Harrier Lane	18:00 07/03 – 08:00 08/03	SXP-20220317-0609	A caravan has been stolen.
Hooe	Overnight 18/03 – 19/03	SXP-20220319-0350	A Yard has been broken into.
Battle North Trade Road	No time frame provided.	SXP-20220319-1177	Eggs have been thrown at a vehicle.

Ewhurst Green	00:00 – 04:00 20/03	SXP-20220324-1443	A fence has been damaged.
Battle Saxonwood Road	Over the previous 10 days	SXP-20220330-0147	Reports of graffiti has been sprayed on property.

Other items to take note of;

Garden machinery;

It is the time of year when a lot more garden machinery will be in use, don't leave machines unattended, especially if they are in clear view from the road. Make sure all equipment is in your sheds or garage at night, make sure these buildings are secure and as difficult as possible to get into, alarmed if possible, and motion activated lighting can be a very good deterrent. If possible security mark machinery with your details and keep a record of serial numbers of machines.

Unwanted visitors;

There have been a few post on social media recently, from residents of villages in the area, warning of suspicious individuals, usually in a transit type van taking an interest in some properties and gardens, some have been captured on CCTV entering driveways and gardens and having a good look around.

Make sure and report all incidents, suspicious activity and break in attempts as soon as possible, even if nothing is stolen, report to **101** or email 101@sussex.pnn.police.uk , **BUT** if you are sure a criminal act is in progress **999**.

Cllr. Colin Boylett, portfolio holder for community safety.