

[Draft] Re: Newcastleton CCTV Report for the 12th of May through to the 9th of June.

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Hi all, please find below Monthly CCTV Report for tonight's Meeting.

I'll start with the main talking point of the last month, that is the epidemic of Thefts. Over the last month the area has been hit by a wave of Thefts both within the Village and across nearby locations. In my 35 years being involved directly and indirectly with Policework I cannot recall this unprecedented level of Crime over such a short period of time.

1. On Monday the 25th of May I was made aware that sometime over that weekend a Van had been entered in Douglas Square and a quantity of tools stolen. On reviewing the CCTV footage it came to light that a Silver Ford Transit had parked up in the Main Square at approximately 3-20am on Saturday the 23rd of May. The male driver then alighted and rode around the village on a mountain bike entering or trying to enter a large number of vehicles. He stayed in the village for over two and a half hours before leaving at approximately 6am heading West. Subsequently two purses as well as the tools were reported stolen from parked vehicles. Through the use of the CCTV System a timeline of events plus substantial video footage including the vehicle registration number was sent into Police Scotland for their further investigation.
2. On Thursday the 28th of May I was made aware of the Theft of a Quad from the Whithaugh area sometime during the night. On checking the CCTV System footage for that night a Black Mitsubishi Outlander followed by a Black Vauxhall Antara towing a livestock trailer was seen coming through the village at approximately 2-45am. Subsequently the Black Vauxhall, another quad, various tools and a livestock trailer were reported stolen from various locations around the Hermitage area. Details of all the vehicles were obtained through the use of the CCTV system and the footage along with the vehicle registrations were sent into Police Scotland for their further investigation.

3. On Friday the 5th of June I was made aware of the Theft of a number of Quads plus tools from a farm near to Hermitage Bridge in the early hours of that morning . On checking the CCTV system a stolen White Toyota Hilux followed by a Black Volkswagen Passat was seen to come into the village from the Hawick direction at approximately 2-30am. The Black Volkswagen was then hidden away in the lane between Houghton Park and Henry Street, two males then got into the Toyota and the vehicle then left the village heading back in the Hawick direction. At approximately 3-30am the Toyota came back into the village towing a stolen livestock trailer, following behind was a stolen quad. A male was dropped off and the Black Volkswagen then came out of Henry Street and all three vehicles left the village via the Holm Bridge heading towards the English border at Scotch Kershope. Subsequently the White Toyota was reported stolen from Jedburgh, the trailer was reported stolen from a farm near Saughtree and fuel was reported stolen from a farm between Saughtree and Hermitage Bridge. One Quad was later recovered that day from Kershope forest and the Toyota was recovered from the Durham area. A timeline of events in the village was made with the help of the CCTV system and details of all vehicles were obtained. This along with substantial footage was once again sent into Police Scotland for their further investigation.

As a footnote. Linked I believe to the above incident was a report from a village resident who lives on the outskirts of the village in North Hermitage Street that the gate on her field had been lifted off allowing her horse to get onto the road sometime in the early hours of that same night . Thankfully the sound of the hooves on the Tarmac alerted the owner and the horse was safely put back into the field.

Other Items of Note.

A suspicious incident occurred on Saturday the 23rd of May when a local resident in Langholm Street reported that a male had come to the door asking for water. This made the householder very suspicious as this modus operandi has been used in the past for distraction Thefts. Details of the vehicle were noted via the CCTV system and passed onto PC Patterson.

On Monday the 25th of May at approximately 4-30am loud noises were heard outside a local residents house in North Hermitage Street. I was made aware of the incident and checked the CCTV System. Details of a White Saloon car were forwarded to PC Patterson. The vehicle was subsequently checked out and everything was found to be in order.

Speed Complaints

There was a total of 18 Speeding Complaints involving Commercial Vehicles reported by members of the community in the last four weeks. A total of 10 reports were submitted to the Parent companies involved. So far seven out of the ten have responded, all positively. Since the Speedwatch campaign for Commercial Vehicles started nearly 160 Companies have been contacted with the vast majority replying, again all positively.

Regards

Keith

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