

## **Hambleton Command: Town and Parish Council Report**

Town or Parish:	Morton on Swale Parish Council
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Data Reporting Period :	21st November 2020 to 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2021

## **Crime and ASB Data**

Qualifier	No of Incidents	
Anti-Social Behaviour	1	
Auto crime	0	
Burglary:	Commercial : 1	Residential: 1
Criminal Damage	0	
Theft (including from shops)	1	
Violence Against the Person	0	
Other crimes including Drugs	2	
TOTAL THIS PERIOD	6	

## **North Yorkshire Police Updates**

## Closure order secured for Northallerton property following ongoing anti-social behaviour

Joint working between North Yorkshire Police, Safer Hambleton Hub and Broadacres Housing Association.



On Friday 11 December 2020, North Yorkshire Police secured a three month closure order on a property in Northallerton following ongoing reports of anti-social behaviour, under the Anti-Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014.

The property, a flat in the Bankhead road area of Northallerton, was investigated by Northallerton Safer Neighbourhood team in partnership with the Safer Hambleton Hub and Broadacres Housing Association following numerous complaints regarding suspected drug use, anti-social behaviour and disorder at the premises. Despite trying to work with the occupier of the flat to stop the behaviour, incidents continued and consequently Northallerton neighbourhood police officers worked with the Safer Hambleton Hub within Hambleton District Council and the Broadacres Housing Association to secure the closure order.

The Closure order was granted at York Magistrates Court on the 11 December 2020 and means that no one can access the property for three months, anyone who breaches the order could be arrested and prosecuted.



Sgt Christopher Hughes of the Northallerton
Neighbourhood Policing team said: "We are pleased to
secure this order on the property. The drug use and
anti-social behaviour were having a huge impact on
local residents and whilst this may be the first time we
have had to use the closure power in this area, my
reassurance to local communities is that it may not be
the last. We will not tolerate properties continually
causing harm to our local neighbourhoods."

Gina Allen of the Safer Hambleton Hub said "It is clear that this property has caused significant harm, distress

and concern for local neighbours. The behaviour has continued for a number of weeks despite warnings and partnership support offered to the occupier. The granting of the Closure Order today is a fantastic step for those who live near this property and I hope it will be much needed and deserved peace over the Christmas period. This year has been hard enough for everyone without our communities living in fear in their own homes. We have worked collectively and tirelessly to bring about this Order and is testament to the strength of the multi agency working in the Hambleton area to keep our communities safe from harm. We are absolutely clear as a partnership that this behaviour will not be tolerated and we will take every step necessary and available to us to reduce, prevent and detect crime, disorder and anti social behaviour across Northallerton."

Anyone with information about anti-social behaviour or drug activity in their neighbourhood can report either online, by calling 101 or anonymously via Crimestoppers.

A stolen quad bike was found by police minutes after it was stolen from a North Yorkshire farm – and a suspect was arrested a short time later.

The quad bike will be returned to its rightful owners, and the man remains in custody, where he is also being investigated for a number of other non-residential burglaries.

Police have warned that quad bike thieves entering North Yorkshire will face an "immediate and robust" response to their offending.

Just after 1.50am on Monday 30 November 2020, North Yorkshire Police received a report that a quad bike had just been stolen from a farm north of Northallerton.

The caller reported seeing the John Deere Gator being driven off at speed down their driveway.



Officers based at Northallerton and Stokesley responded immediately, and at 2.10am they found the quad abandoned just off the A67 at Kirklevington, south of Yarm, with its engine still running.

Knowing that any suspects were likely to be nearby, officers contained the area and began a search. At 2.30am, they found a man covered in mud, in a bus shelter a few hundred metres away from where the quad was abandoned.

The man, aged 24 and from Stockton-on-Tees, was arrested on suspicion of burglary, vehicle theft and vehicle interference. He remains in custody at this time.

The stolen guad was recovered for forensic analysis, and will then be returned to its owners.

Inspector Sarah Sanderson, of North Yorkshire Police, said: "Quads are frequently targeted by thieves in rural areas as they are small, expensive and easy to transport. Their loss can have a big economic impact on farms and other rural businesses – at a time when farmers can ill-afford any further disruption.

"However, quad bike thieves are now finding it increasingly difficult to enter and leave North Yorkshire undetected. Instead, they will face an immediate and robust police response to their offending, followed by likely arrest and prosecution.

"If you see or hear a quad bike being driven in suspicious circumstances – for example, in an unusual place, late at night, or without lights – contact the police. Call 101 to pass information, or 999 if a crime is in progress."

Police are reminding all quad bike owners in North Yorkshire to take security precautions:

- Fit a GPS tracking device.
- Park as close to your premises as possible, ideally in a locked outbuilding with CCTV and security lighting, preferably out of sight from nearby roads.
- Remove keys when not in use, and do not leave them near the quad.
- Secure with wheel clamps and/or locking posts.
- Mark or customise your quad so it is easily identifiable, and keep a record, including photographs and serial numbers.

Anyone with information about the theft of the quad overnight should call North Yorkshire Police on 101, quoting reference number 12200213059.