

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

Town or Parish:	Morton on Swale Parish Council
Report Completed By :	PCSO 6786 Kim Laws
Data Reporting Period :	27 <sup>th</sup> July to 29 <sup>th</sup> September 2021

#### **Crime and ASB Data**

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

#### **North Yorkshire Police Updates**

## More than 40 suspected drink and drug drivers arrested

A motorist who blew almost four times the drink drive limit is among more than 40 suspected drink and drug drivers arrested in just a week.

The man in his 4os was arrested in the York area and will appear at the city's magistrates' court in the coming weeks.

A total of 42 drivers have been arrested during a week-long North Yorkshire Police campaign to highlight drink and drug driving offences and catch culprits.

The campaign began Monday 23rd August and has used education and enforcement in a bid to tackle the issue across the county.

Traffic Constable Richard Harrison, who led the campaign, said the arrests – which average six per day – were a "surprisingly high number".

"However these results are bitter sweet," he said.

"While they show the people of North Yorkshire that we continue to deal with offenders robustly in our fight to make our roads safer, the numbers also show that a high number of drivers still think it is acceptable to get behind the wheel while under the influence of either drink or drugs."

A number of motorists arrested during the campaign tested positive for both drink and drugs, including cocaine and cannabis.

The penalty for both offences is similar – a criminal record, automatic driving ban and a large fine on conviction. When drivers are allowed back on the road, their insurance costs are likely to increase considerably.

TC Harrison added that officers are out on patrol 24/7 every day of the year looking for the tell-tale signs of drivers who are under the influence.

They also use information provided by the public to catch offenders, which could prevent collisions and save lives.

"Although the campaign has ended, we'd encourage the public to contact us if they have any information about somebody who they suspect is drink or drug driving," he said.

Anyone with information about someone who drives after drinking or taking drugs is urged to call North Yorkshire Police on 101 today, and select option 1 to speak to the Force Control Room. If it's happening now, dial 999.

# 38341 is the total number of 999 and 101 calls that North Yorkshire Police handled in August



In August 2021, North Yorkshire Police

handled **38341** calls across their control room and front counters in their police stations. (Includes FCR and front counter – all customer calls)

But did you know that you can now use the force's website to contact them as an alternative to calling 101?

From reporting non-emergency crimes, road traffic incidents, fraud or anti-social behaviour – just visit their website, click the <u>'report it'</u> tab and follow the options to save you calling 101.

Other things you can now use their website for instead of calling 101 include getting in touch about civil disputes or to access to their 'thanks and complaints' process.

Of course, in an emergency you should still always call 999.

It's been a very busy couple of months in terms of 999 and 101 calls – not only here in North Yorkshire, but right across the country due to changes in the COVID restrictions and a summer of sport.

But the tide seems to have turned and the force is now seeing the number of calls reducing and waiting times much shorter

Here's a breakdown of what the figures for 999 and 101 calls during August:

- •9572 is how many 999 calls we received, this is the highest volume than in any previous August.
- •45 per cent of 999 calls were answered within 5 seconds, 50 per cent were answered within 10 seconds, and 50 per cent went above this time.
- Each 999 call lasted on average 5minutes and 33 seconds with one of the longest lasting 13 minutes.
- •14395 was the number of 101 calls that we received with each 101 call lasting on average 9 minutes and 15 seconds.
- There was also a further **4211** calls where the caller had requested a call back to save them hanging on the phone on average the caller received a call back **14** minutes later.
- Our busiest week during August was 1st August to 7th August at 8971 calls
- August also saw high numbers of calls from other emergency services and partner agencies with **1787** calls made to our control room to request our attendance at incidents.
- We also made over **14103** outbound calls to other agencies to support the management of the **17572** incidents that we dealt with.

Commenting on the new online way to contact the force North Yorkshire Police's Superintendent of Customer Contact, Jason Dickson said:

"Many people don't realise that behind every 999 and 101 call in North Yorkshire, is a dedicated team of people answering those calls and now online reports through our website, 24 hours a day. So, regardless if you call 101 or use our website to contact us, your report will be dealt with in the same way.

"Going online not only saves you having to wait in the 101 queue, which we know can sometimes be very busy, it also helps to keep our phones lines free for emergencies.

"The last thing we want is for our communities to have to wait in long queues to speak to us about non-emergency crimes and to provide information, so if you have access to the internet and if you need to contact us on 101, please consider using our website to see if your report, information or question can be dealt with much quicker – just visit <a href="https://www.northyorkshire.police.uk">www.northyorkshire.police.uk</a>."