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# Memo

To: Morton On Swale Parish Council

From: PCSO 3801 Gemma Newsome

Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2019

#### Subject: Report for Morton On Swale Parish Council Meeting

Over the last two months the following crimes and ASB have been reported -

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)	-	1 report	-
Autocrime	-	0 reports	-
Burglary dwelling	-	0 report	-
Commercial burglary/other	-	1 report	-
Criminal damage	-	0 reports	-
Theft (all including from shop)	-	0 reports	-
Violence against the person	-	1 report	-
Other crimes inc Drugs	-	3 reports	-
TOTAL CRIMES	-	6 reports	
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#### **Other News**

## National campaign to recruit 20,000 police officers launches today

A national campaign to recruit 20,000 new police officers is launched today (Thursday) – urging people to join the police and 'Be a force for all'.

The police recruitment drive is the biggest in decades and could mean an additional 200 police officers across North Yorkshire.

The 'Be a force for all' campaign has been developed by the Home Office in partnership with the police and using feedback from the public via independent research.

It features serving police officers, including a neighbourhood officer, a police dog handler and a firearms officer. One of the officers started as a volunteer Special Constable, while another is a former charity executive who changed career.

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They appear on billboards and digital displays at locations across England and Wales, including at shopping centres and railway stations, as well as in a radio advertisement.

# North Yorkshire encouraged to 'Say Something' about fraud this September

North Yorkshire Police is urging people to have conversations about fraud and share their experiences to help reduce the numbers who fall victim every day.

'Say Something September' is an initiative aimed at both raising awareness of the most prevalent types of fraud and also encouraging anyone who thinks they may have been a victim of fraud to ensure it is reported to the police.

The latest statistics show an almost 250 per cent increase in the number of instances of fraud reported in North Yorkshire from 2018 to 2019 to date, showing how many people are affected but also that more people are reporting fraud than ever before.

North Yorkshire Police Community Support Officer, Jake Morris, wants to reduce the stigma associated with being a victim of fraud. He said:

"Many people are affected by fraud every single day and the types of fraud we are seeing change and develop all of the time.

"Say Something September is an opportunity to raise awareness of the various ways that fraudsters target their victims and to encourage conversations about fraud. We're particularly asking younger generations to speak to their more vulnerable family members about fraud and cybercrime, supporting them in being able to spot the signs and ensuring they don't become victims.

# Poachers warned as police step up rural crime operation

The seasonal trend of illegal hare coursing matches the farming calendar, meaning there is typically an increase in poaching offences in September and October, after crops have been harvested, and fields are left empty and open.

North Yorkshire Police have joined Operation Galileo, a major clampdown on poaching offences. Galileo is a national campaign, pioneered by Lincolnshire Police, and bringing together forces particularly affected by this offending. Forces will work together to ensure the issue is tackled in a co-ordinated way, by sharing information and working across force boundaries.

As part of the operation in North Yorkshire, vehicles previously linked to poaching will be identified and targeted. Suspects will be stopped and dealt with robustly, and victims will be visited to obtain witness statements. Police intelligence and the Automatic Number Plate

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Recognition (ANPR) network will be used to ensure an effective response to suspicious vehicles and activity.

Days of action will be planned using officers and specialist resources from the Rural Taskforce, Proactive Policing teams, Neighbourhood Policing officers and Mobile Rural Watch volunteers. During these days, police will deploy to areas of high activity, to prevent offending and investigate offences.

Kindest regards

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