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# Memo

To: Morton On Swale Parish Council

PCSO 3668 Bilby From:

Date: 31st July 2019

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

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

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) 0 reports

Autocrime - Harwood Close 1 reports

Burglary dwelling 1 report - Jervaulx Rd, garden shed

Commercial burglary/other 0 reports Criminal damage 0 reports Theft (all including from shop) 0 reports Violence against the person 0 reports Other crimes inc Drugs 0 reports

**TOTAL CRIMES** 3 reports

#### **OTHER NEWS**

## Northallerton Youth Space continues to succeed

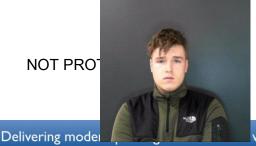
As Northallerton Youth Space approaches its first birthday there is no doubting the success the scheme has achieved, bringing a safe and positive environment to the young people of our town. Further proof of this, if we needed it, is that we have seen a reduction in anti-social behaviour on Friday evenings of 49% since January this year. Great work by all involved and well done to our young people who have responded to the scheme in such a positive way.

# Busby Stoop: 24-year-old jailed for causing death by dangerous driving of two 17 year-olds

A 24-year-old man has been sentenced today to 11 years' imprisonment for causing the death by dangerous driving of two 17-year-olds in a collision in Busby Stoop, North Yorkshire last year.



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William James Corser

Luke Ridley

An 18-year-old man has also been jailed for 16 months in connection with the same incident.

17-year-olds George Thomas Turner and Mason Pearson died after the Volkswagen Bora that they were travelling in collided with a Ford Focus on 7 March 2018 on the A61 between Busby Stoop and Carlton Miniott in North Yorkshire.

Another two passengers in the Bora, an 18-year-old man and a 17-year-old boy, were taken to hospital in a critical condition and were discharged sometime later with life changing injuries.

The driver and passengers of the Ford Focus, a 27-year-old man and a 24-year-old woman from outside the area were also taken to hospital and released following treatment. Their three-year-old daughter and a six-month old son were kept in hospital for observation before being discharged.

The driver of the Bora, 24 year-old Luke Ridley from Thirsk (pictured left) pleaded not guilty at an earlier hearing to two counts of causing death by dangerous driving and five counts of causing serious injury by dangerous driving.

At the start of the scheduled trial on Monday 8 July, he changed his plea to guilty on all counts and was sentenced at Teesside Crown Court on Tuesday 30 July 2019, [any other conditions].

18 year-old William James Corser (pictured right), of Thirsk, the teenage driver of another vehicle that was not involved in the collision, but driving in company with the Bora, also pleaded not guilty to one count of dangerous driving at an earlier hearing before changing his plea to guilty at the start of the trial. He was also sentenced today, at Teesside Crown Court.

## Boys are praised after handing in knife in Thirsk

Four boys have been praised by North Yorkshire Police for handing in a dangerous knife they found in Thirsk.

At around 4pm on Sunday 14 July the four boys, aged approximately 11 years-old, had been in the town centre when they found a 3-inch lock knife (pictured).

They took the knife straight to the police station in Thirsk Market Place where they handed it in to police officers.

One of the officers who spoke to the boys, PC Lydia Dunn, said:

"We are extremely impressed with the young males for doing the right thing and handing the knife into the police station.

"The lads had a calm and mature approach despite their young age, safety of others was clearly important to them and they have potentially prevented harm to others.

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"I think it's important for us to recognise the boys for their actions and I hope that it will encourage others to do the same if they ever find themselves in a similar situation having found a weapon."

North Yorkshire Police regularly supports Operation Sceptre, the national week of action against knife crime to highlight the risks that carrying a bladed weapon can bring and encourage members of the public to hand in their weapons.

### Stolen horsebox recovered by police thanks to public's vigilance

A stolen horsebox was recovered by police within hours thanks to a prompt report, public vigilance and a quick response by North Yorkshire Police.



At about 3pm on Tuesday 18 June 2019, the force received a report that a 3.5-tonne Renault horsebox had been stolen a short time earlier from Thirsk Racecourse.

Local response and roads policing officers immediately began an area search, and the owner posted details of the stolen vehicle on Facebook.

Acting on information received, including sightings from several members of the public, officers tracked it down at around 8pm near West Tanfield.

The horsebox was removed to a secure location for forensic examination, following which it will be returned to its rightful owner.

The grateful owner subsequently posted on Facebook: "Massive thank you to everyone who shared my status regarding the horsebox stolen from Thirsk this afternoon. Big thanks also to the Police Constables who came out, took our statements and sent a colleague to on a mission to find it! Brilliant work. Big relief, we get it back when the forensics team have checked it out."

The police investigation into the theft of the horsebox is ongoing.

While this incident ended well, equine equipment is high-value and portable, and so is frequently targeted by criminals, particularly in rural areas.

#### Kindest regards,

PCSO Alex Bilby Collar Number: 3668

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