



March 2022

Meet the Team

Your Birstall and Wanlip Beat Team now consists of the following officers:

PS 242 Alice Forfar



PC 1427 Lauren de Wet



PCSO 6637 Ellie Holland



The beat team have been very busy this month holding beat surgeries, conducting speed checks, patrolling hot spot areas and also investigating crime. We would like to engage with as many of you as possible, so please look out for our beat surgeries via Neighbourhood Link and Charnwood Police Twitter account. We are in the process of arranging some joint partnership events with the Fire Service in the coming months.

Message from PC Lauren de Wet- *"I have been a beat officer in Birstall and Wanlip since September 2021, and am enjoying getting to know the area and its residents. I have previously worked as a Police Community Support Officer for several years prior to becoming a Police Officer and would like to think that has provided me with good foundations in local policing. PCSO Ellie Holland and I look forward to meeting more of you and would encourage you to speak to us if you see us out and about and at our beat surgeries"*

February Priorities

Anti-social behaviour: Focusing on Meadow Lane Park, and School Street Park.

Drugs: Focusing on hot spot areas and gathering local intelligence.

Road safety: Speed checks

Crime Update

During January a total of 42 crimes were recorded on the Birstall and Wanlip Beat.

During the month of January 2022, Birstall and Wanlip have had a total of 32 crimes.

10 assaults (7 of which were domestic related), 1 sexual offence, 4 public Order offences, 3 thefts, 1 criminal damage, 3 vehicle crimes, 1 drugs related offence, and 9 miscellaneous offences.

For further crime information please visit: www.police.uk/leicestershire/NL60/

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Crime Prevention Advice

Vehicle Crime and Keyless entry:

Keyless car theft or 'relay theft' is when a device is used to fool the car into thinking the key is close by. This unlocks the car and starts the ignition.

Thieves only need to be within a few metres of your car key to capture the signal, even if it's inside your home. This means that even if your car and home are secure, thieves can still unlock, start and steal your car.

How to protect your keyless entry car

- When at home keep your car key (and the spare) well away from the car.
- Put the keys in a screened or signal-blocking pouch, such as a Faraday Bag.
- Reprogramme your keys if you buy a second hand car.
- Turn off wireless signals on your fob when it's not being used.

Events

Several events have been planned for March including more speed operations, street consultations and beat surgeries

Tuesday 8th March 2022 10:00 – 11:30am

We will be holding a beat surgery at Birstall Police Beat Office, Robert Dickinson Building, Sibson Road, Birstall.

Friday 11th March 16:30– 17:00am

We will be holding a beat surgery at Birstall Police Beat Office, Robert Dickinson Building, Sibson Road, Birstall.

Please check our website or twitter page: [@CharnwoodPolice](https://twitter.com/CharnwoodPolice) for further details and timings for these events as they may be subject to change at short notice due to operational commitments.

You can also get in touch with us via phone, email or through the Leicestershire Police website.

A message from Sgt Forfar & The Beat Team.

I am the dedicated neighbourhood Sergeant for Birstall & Wanlip

I have moved to this beat after working in Loughborough Town Centre and University. I joined Leicestershire Police as a Police Constable eight years ago and became a Sergeant three years ago. I have experience in Neighbourhood Policing as both a PC and a Sergeant. I am looking forward to the new challenges it will bring and to getting to know the new communities I serve. We will be working as a team to address concerns raised, and target people causing harm to the beat.

PS 242 Alice FORFAR

We would like to take this opportunity to ask that if you are not already signed up to Neighbourhood Link, then please get in touch. Neighbourhood link is a free service through which we can share with you information about crime in your area, and offer crime prevention advice. We can also update you on any events we are holding. The feedback we receive through Neighbourhood Link allows us to set Local Policing Priorities in line with what matters to you.

You can sign up now at

www.neighbourhoodlink.co.uk

