



# VALLEY BEAT – COLEORTON PARISH

## POLICE UPDATE AUGUST 2017

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### Crime Figures:-

14/08- Burglary Dwelling/Break to garage- Birchwood Close, Coleorton- Filed  
08/08 to 17/08- Theft of tools- The Moor, Coleorton- Filed

### Emerging trends / Incidents of note:-

The number of thefts from motor vehicles has dropped during August within the area. However, Coleorton has seen a theft of tools from a van reported. Please remain vigilant and report any activity that you feel is suspicious in the area. It could be nothing but might be something.

### Crime Prevention Advice

As we head into September and the days start to become shorter, it's important to start reminding ourselves of methods of crime prevention that may help deter criminals. The use of light timers to make it appear as if someone is home whilst you leave your property unattended is a good starting point. It may be worth investing in one or more of these to use in the coming months. You could even plug your radio in to make it sound like someone's home too.

### Garden Crime



Many people take a great deal of trouble securing their house and the property within it...but what about sheds and garages? With the array of lawnmowers, power tools, garden equipment, bicycles, sports and other valuable equipment kept in them, security measures should certainly be put in place.

#### Property

Gardening tools and garden furniture are not cheap - what's more they are very saleable items for the thief. Don't make it easy for them to be stolen and remember that tools stolen from your shed could be used to burgle your house.

- Postcode or property mark anything in your shed or garage that is of value and might be stolen, for example lawnmowers, garden furniture, bicycles and sports equipment.





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- Take photographs of expensive items - they may be useful for police to identify the goods and return them to you, should you be unfortunate enough to have them stolen.
- Never leave garden tools and equipment outside, even if you are just popping back into the house. It only takes minutes for an opportunist thief to take them.
- Consider fitting a pair of garage door locks that are fitted either vertically or horizontally and can be locked both from the inside and outside of the garage.

### **Good news**

Please find a copy of Inspector Bhakta's Summer/Autumn update that has been sent along with this monthly update for you to read and share with others.

### **We'd like to meet you**

We hold regular beat surgeries and engagement events.  
You can meet us at:

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 11am – Sawley Marina Autumn Fayre

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September 1pm – Diseworth Village Show

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> October 1pm – Osgathorpe Beat Surgery

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 5pm – St Hardolph's School (Parents evening)

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December 1pm – Belton Beat Surgery at Convenience Store



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