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| |  | | --- | | Norfolk Constabulary | | **The following is a local policing update for the Attleborough neighbourhood.**  **Weekly crime summary 17-23 January 2012**  **Overview from the Breckland Policing Commander**  This week Breckland Police Officers and staff have seen a significant increase in demand for police services due to the adverse weather conditions.  Officers have attended a number of Road Traffic Collisions in addition to other accidents in the street which can be attributed to the slippery ground conditions.  Whilst dealing with this increase in incidents, which could be reasonably anticipated ,it is disappointing to have seen so many incidents of reckless and inconsiderate behaviour by persons who foolishly believe they are doing nothing more harmless than having fun in the snow!  Using public open spaces such as car parks as skid pans to drive recklessly is dangerous behaviour and if caught, motorists could face having their car seized under police powers.  Equally, throwing lumps of ice at moving cars or at house windows to cause damage is nothing less than blatant vandalism and offenders will be prosecuted if caught.  I ask residents and parents in particular to give their children appropriate advice with regard to enjoying the snow but in a safe and responsible manner.  Thank you.  **Chief Inspector Paul Durham**  Swaffham Police are investigating two cases of thefts of catalytic converters from car exhaust systems in Westfields and Eastfields in Narborough. The offences are believed to be linked and the thieves would have had to climb underneath the vehicles and make a certain amount of noise to cut through the metal exhaust pipes. Police remind residents to remain vigilant and to report any suspicious behaviour.  Youths have been repeatedly gathering around the shops in Pine Close in Thetford for the sole purpose of behaving antisocially by throwing snowballs and lumps of ice at passing cars and pedestrians. Police patrols have been increased in this area to disrupt this behaviour and to identify the offenders.  Police executed a search warrant at an address in Smallworth Common in Garboldisham. A large number of cannabis plants were discovered in an outbuilding and a male occupant was dealt with for the offence of cultivating cannabis plants.  ***Please note the information contained within the crime summary is information suitable for public distribution and does not include certain categories which may have personal privacy or data protection implications.***   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | 2679/13 | Other Criminal Damage To A Vehicle | CHURCH STREET |  | ATTLEBOROUGH | Between 16 Jan 2013 14:00 and 16 Jan 2013 14:30 | Snowballs thrown at vehicle, chipping and cracking the windscreen. | | 3064/13 | Other Criminal Damage To A Vehicle | MEADOWSIDE | BLO NORTON | DISS | Between 20 Jan 2013 19:30 and 21 Jan 2013 07:45 | Nearside rear tyre of vehicle punctured. | | 2699/13 | Theft If Not Classified Elsewhere | HIGH STREET |  | ATTLEBOROUGH | Between 11 Jan 2013 18:00 and 11 Jan 2013 18:22 | Purse stolen from bag. | | 3034/13 | Theft If Not Classified Elsewhere | VICARAGE ROAD | GREAT HOCKHAM | THETFORD | Between 20 Dec 2012 00:01 and 17 Jan 2013 07:30 | Large farm cultivator stolen from field. | | 3100/13 | Theft If Not Classified Elsewhere | BANHAM ROAD | QUIDENHAM | NORWICH | Between 10 Jan 2013 13:00 and 18 Jan 2013 14:45 | IPad 2 stolen from within main building. | | |  | |