

Steyning Parish Council
Monthly Report – December 2016

December has seen a number of burglaries & break-ins across Horsham district, details of incidents in Steyning are as follows.

Between 13:30 - 04/12/16 & 07:45 - 05/12/16 – Steyning Grammar School, groundsman shed broken into. Mowers, welder, petrol strimmers and tools were stolen.

05/12/16 - A property was broken into I Coxham Lane, time frame unsure.

10/12/16 - Burglary at a property in coombe road, between approximately Midday & 21:30. Jewellery was stolen.

18/12/16 – Burglary of a property in King Stone Avenue between 11:00 & 20:30. Jewellery stolen.

Between 22nd/28th A property in Newham lane was broken into.

All of these burglaries were subject to forcible entry either by smashing a rear window or breaking in through a back door. A series of similar burglaries district wide are being investigated by the Police.

Please be aware there has been a series of cars being stolen from driveways, when owners have left the cars running to warm up due to the cold weather or ice.

We would also like to encourage people to report any suspicious activity, most of these types of crime require a vehicle so look out for suspicious vehicles and report them.

Anti-Social Behaviour & Crime

On the 10th December a vehicle was damaged in Charlton Street, a window was smashed by a member of a group of four individuals aged around 20.

On Christmas Eve there was a report of 3 youths around 15 years old running around on the roof of the grammar School. An area search yielded no trace.

A small panel window of the boot salon in the high street was smashed between the 24th & 25th.

A resident reported a group of youths setting small fires in the cricket field. There have been reports of rubbish being set alight at 15:45 on the 3rd and trying to set a hedge alight at 14:00 on the 17th. They were abusive to the resident when she spoke to them. We are working to identify & challenge this group and the resident has now provided us with pictures of some of the members.

A wheelie bin was set alight in Charlton Street at 18:30 on the 7th, it is not known if this incident relates to this group.