

## BABERGH DISTRICT

### Report for Glemsford Parish Council Parish Council Meeting

This report covers the period from 9<sup>th</sup> January 2014 to 9<sup>th</sup> February. During this time there has been 4 crimes recorded within the parish, this compares to 12 crimes for the same period last year.

#### BREAKDOWN OF CRIME

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**Burglary Dwelling**                      0 Report

**Burglary Other Building**            1 Report

Crime SU/14/186 Burglary other building in Crown field Road between 24-27/1/14 Officer in the case PC 270 Marshall. **(Shed was broken into with fishing equipment stolen)**

**Vehicle Crime**                            1 Report

Crime SU/14/86 theft of Motor Vehicle in Skates Hill on 14/1/14 Officer in the case PC 1859 Williams

**Assault/Public Order**                0 Report

**Theft**                                         0 Report

**Criminal Damage**                    2 Reports

Crime SU/14/244 Threat to Commit Criminal Damage in Slades Close on 3/2/14 Officer in the case PC 1541. **(Suspect has been charged to court)**

Crime SU/14/118 Threat to Commit Criminal Damage in Shepherds Lane on 20/1/14 Officer in the case PC 1424 Shelley **(Suspect is on Police Bail)**

**Crime Other**                              0 Reports

**There has been an increase in shed burglaries in other areas please make sure gates/sheds are locked and that any valuable items are not left overnight in them.**

**Please report anything suspicious to Police Immediately by telephoning 999 Emergency or 101 Non –Emergency.**

**If you have any information that would be of interest regarding this or any other offences, would like to report or discuss with the police, then please contact the Babergh West SNT (details below) or contact Crimestoppers anonymously.**

## Criminals are not only interested in the property within your house.

They can also be tempted by goods and equipment stored outside in garages, sheds and even the garden.

Property such as bicycles, lawnmowers and power tools can be just as valuable as televisions, stereos and DVD players.

However, a few simple steps can help keep equipment safe while deterring thieves and burglars.

## Garages, sheds and other outbuildings

Ensure that the building is in good condition and look to improve its security by: -

Fixing mesh or bars on the inside of windows. fitting good locks to all doors. Padlocks should be at least 6cm/2.5 inches wide, hardened steel, have at least 5 pins and be a close shackled type (reduces risk of being forced). Fittings should be bolted through the door and reinforced at the back with a steel plate or washer; hasps should have concealed screws. Fitting additional locks to up-and-over garage doors. Considering an alarm - either a battery operated alarm or upgraded house alarm which includes the shed or garage. It is important to remember to use locks at all times, even if you are at home. Always keep keys safe and out of sight.

## Property

Secure all items that could be easily removed - they could be used to break into your house. Security-mark property such as lawn mowers, furniture and tools with your postcode and advertise the fact that they are marked. Keep a note of serial / make / model numbers. Take photographs of any valuable garden ornaments. If they are stolen, the police can circulate the photographs to help with identification. Ensure that bicycles are security marked and have additional devices to secure them inside the shed or garage. Consider signing up to [www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com) which is **FREE** and you can register your property, this will try to help us stop property crime.

## Outdoors

Consider installing security lights to both illuminate your garden and deter thieves. Sensors can be bought which switch lights on when a moving body is detected; also available are sodium tubes that switch on automatically once it becomes dark. Keep shrubs, bushes, hedges, etc cut back as they can provide a hiding place for thieves. Check that all boundary fences, walls and gates are in good repair. A solid barrier is an excellent deterrent to the opportunist thief. Ask your neighbours to keep an eye on your garden day and night - and do the same for them. Contact the police immediately if you see anything suspicious.

Also sign up to Police Direct which is **FREE** where you will get information relating to your area on any crimes, Police events and tips on safeguarding yourself and your property

**If you see any suspicious vehicles driving slowly around your area and they seem to be out of place then please try to take down their registration numbers and pass these onto the Police by dialling 101 the non-emergency number, if it is an emergency you are to dial 999.**

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Babergh West SNT  
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New Non Emergency Telephone: 101  
[baberghwest.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk](mailto:baberghwest.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk)  
[www.suffolk.police.uk](http://www.suffolk.police.uk)



## **Babergh West SNT Priorities**

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2014 – Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2014

**School Parking and awareness in Boxford**  
**Crime prevention and high visibility patrols relating to rural burglaries**

## **Babergh West Safer Neighbourhood Team**

### **Next Priority Setting Meeting for 2014**

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2014

11am-12pm

Village Hall

Old Bury road

Alpheton

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