

Police Briefing Saturday 1st June 2013 South Herefordshire & Golden Valley

Clehonger

A 41 year old male and a 56 year old male from Hereford were arrested on Monday 21st May at 8.30pm for conspiracy to supply class A drugs. They are on police bail while further enquiries are made.

Clifford

A quantity of heating oil was stolen from an oil tank at an isolated property between 10th April and 24th May. The tank was housed in a wooden shed behind the property.
Incident ref 291-s-240513

Hoarwithy

Twelve Charollais ewes and their lambs and eight Lleyn ewes were stolen from fields sometime between Monday 29th April and Wednesday 1st May.
Incident ref 288-s-240513

Longtown

An attempt to force entry into an isolated dwelling was made overnight on Wednesday 22nd/Thursday 23rd May. A very amateur attempt was made to gain entry to a pair of wooden glazed doors.
Incident ref 42-n-230513

Overnight on Tuesday 28th/Wednesday 29th May, several large flagstones were stolen from the top of a garden wall. It is believed that it happened around 5am as the occupiers heard a bump outside but thought it was a door banging. The dogs next door were barking at 3am however; it may be that someone came in the first instance and loosened the flags in readiness for someone to come and load them in a van once they were ready. A white Ford transit van, part registration **X191** was seen parked outside **Clodock** church at 4.55am with one male sitting in it. He was holding a mobile phone to his ear but can't have been making or receiving a call as there is no signal there! A large flagstone was also taken from Clodock church wall at the same time, maybe the passer by who noted the number put them off taking any more.

This same white van was seen on the Tuesday evening driving very slowly along the Longtown to Michaelchurch road, again only part of the registration was taken. Please keep your eyes open for this vehicle - or maybe you've seen it and know the rest of the number?

Incident ref 44-s-290513 & 50-n-290513

Michaelchurch Escley

A Lister sheep shearing machine was stolen from a shed on a farm between 9am and 2pm on Wednesday 22nd May.
Incident ref 120-s-280513

Peterchurch

A 33 year old male from Hereford was arrested at 11.50pm on Monday 21st May for possession of a class B drug. He was charged and bailed to court.

Pontrilas

Between 4pm on Monday 20th May and 9am on Wednesday 22nd May, two lorries parked at the rear of units at the Westwood Industrial Estate had their fuel tanks tampered with. No fuel was taken due to anti-theft devices that had been fitted to the vehicles.

Incident ref 202-s-220513

A note regarding security!

You will have read that recently there has been a spate of thefts from sheds and outbuildings, especially in the Golden Valley, and not all the items taken were in locked buildings. We often visit remote properties and farms and find them deserted but with expensive pieces of kit out in the open, waiting to be stolen, some even with keys in the ignition!

Sorry to nag folks, but please be more mindful of keeping your items locked out of sight, and mark them in some way, for example with SmartWater or similar property marking solutions.

Also, please be vigilant for any unfamiliar vehicles in your area, note down the registration number if possible, and let us know. We will check it out. Most of the properties that have been targeted will have been visited previously by a 'spotter', so be suspicious of every unexpected caller!

Best wishes

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