Dear Residents  **August 2017 – bulletin 7**

**Crime reports**

* Secure vans in the area broken into and tools stolen.
* Burglaries in Pocklington and Stamford Bridge.

**Advice from local Police – sneak thieves**

* Secure home before leaving, if working in the garden or if out of sight of open doors/windows**.**
* Avoid leaving downstairs windows open for ventilation at night.
* Do not leave insecure cycles in the garden thinking they are safe – theft takes little time.
* Be especially careful about leaving garage/shed doors open while working outside.
* Cars left on the drive with windows open for ventilation are especially vulnerable.

These kinds of thefts are committed by opportunists who wander the neighbourhood looking to take advantage of our carelessness, especially in the summer weather – **beware!**

**Scam reports – local**

Scam emails still being reported:

* “Your Metro Bank online account has been suspended…….click here to reinstate your account using our secure webpage link……..we hope you are clear on the above information.”
* “There are some changes coming…….download the attached file to update.”
* “Ian’s Roofing shared a document with you…..view document now……thank you for using Dropbox.”
* “BT Account Update……..you have reached the storage limit for your mailbox - your outgoing messages are on hold – click below to restore access……Server Admin – BT Admin Team.”

Printing these messages shows that they almost all are from abroad and none are from who they purport to be.

**Advice from National Neighbourhood Watch**

* **Dog theft.** The public are being urged to be vigilant – 2016 saw 1800 reported thefts in England and Wales, mostly from gardens. The most common breeds targeted were Staffordshire Bull Terrier, Jack Russell, Chihuahua and Bulldog. Advice is to ensure intruders cannot access where a dog may be left unattended.
* **What to do in a terror attack.** Counter-terrorism police and ABTA have got together in association with the Foreign Office to advise:

RUN – to a place of safety – better than trying to surrender or negotiate.

HIDE – barricade yourself in – turn phone to silent.

TELL – know the local emergency phone number(s) – all EU is 112.

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