



## Cottered and Throcking – January 2017

Offence	No. In Parish	No. in East Herts
Dwelling Burglary	0	23
Burglary Other	0	31
Criminal Damage	0	108
Vehicle Crime	1	80
Anti-Social Behaviour*	0	226

For more details on crime in your area please visit: [www.police.uk](http://www.police.uk). Enter a postcode to see the ‘crime map’ for the local area.

\*ASB is not defined as ‘crime’ however it has been included in this table for your information as it can affect the wider community and we (police) are jointly responsible with local councils for dealing with it. Recordable ASB includes neighbour disputes, noise nuisance and fly tipping etc.

### Details

Front and rear number plates were removed from a vehicle parked on a driveway in Cottered.

### Other News and events

- Over the past few months we have seen a large rise in the number of reports of criminal damage to land in rural East Herts and this problem continues. Farmer’s crops are being ruined by people driving in the fields. Our special operation utilising officers from East Herts, North Herts, Essex and the Special Constabulary is on-going and we would urge you to continue to remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity with as much detail as you can, by calling 101 or contacting your Safer Neighbourhood officers directly.
- Don’t forget to keep an eye on your sheds and outbuildings and make sure you check them regularly, as some villages in the area have had a significant increase in thefts. Make sure you security mark valuable items and consider adding extra security to your shed or outbuilding to help to keep your property safe.

### Sign Up for OWL

If you would like to receive our “Owl Messages” please email me at [Karen.broad@herts.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Karen.broad@herts.pnn.police.uk) with your name, address (including postcode), email address and a contact number in case email fails. I will then add you to the system.

### Useful information



You can follow your local team on Twitter @EHertsRrlPolice



Visit [www.herts.police.uk](http://www.herts.police.uk) where you can find the latest police and crime news, crime prevention advice and people wanted by police.

Police non-emergency number 101. (In an emergency always use 999).

Contact Crimestoppers anonymously with information about crime on 0800 555 111.

If you have any concerns about crime or anti-social behaviour please contact PCSO Karen Broad on 101 or by email: [Karen.broad@herts.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Karen.broad@herts.pnn.police.uk) . Or if the matter is of a more serious nature, you can contact Sergeant Duncan Wallace when he is on duty, on his Airwave radio on 01707 354192. (In an emergency always use 999.)

### **Police and Crime Commissioner's Message**

Only a month into 2017 and several big landmark moments in the PCC calendar have already been reached.

My new draft Community Safety and Criminal Justice Plan has been approved and is about to be published. The plan, which sets the priorities for policing Hertfordshire for the next five years, and covers a wide range of crime and justice matters and is of relevance to everyone in the county.

The plan includes proposals to improve the experience of victims when going through court, a more joined-up approach to scammers who prey on the vulnerable and closer relationships with other emergency services, like the Fire Service.

A key part of the plan is the protection of local neighbourhood policing. This is really important for Hertfordshire and the basis of the way we protect the county. We have managed to keep these units in place when other areas of the country have removed their teams. This has been done through prudent savings in the Constabulary and by using reserves wisely. I've managed to do this without raising the amount you pay for the police in your council tax for six years.

However, the government has reduced the amount it grants the force, and in addition a delay to a collaborated IT project would have delivered significant savings this year. As a result, I've increased the council tax precept for 2017 – it equates to an additional £5 a year for the average household. I recognise nobody will want to pay more for their policing than they have to, which is why I have always made the force look for savings before asking the public. This year, I was told by the Chief Constable that the neighbourhood policing structure could not be funded through our reserves alone. I'm pleased we'll be able to keep those valuable services which the public tell me they value so much.

I'm also interested in your thoughts on how we oversee our fire service. Currently the service sits under the county council, but the government is asking PCCs to investigate taking responsibility for the governance of the service. I was at a speech recently by the Policing and Fire Minister who reminded the PCCs to look at this.

We're at the early stages in Hertfordshire of developing a business case to see if this is something which would benefit the two services and the people of the county.



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