

OP Randall Weekly Update

8th of April 2023

Hunting investigations/incidents – any offence involving the illegal activity of coursing, hunting, poaching, and lamping

None

Rural investigations/incidents – any offence involving the damage or loss to agriculture, its practices and the rural working environment

30/3 – St Johns Fen (Wisbech) – Theft of lead and tools from a barn

31/3 – Yaxham (Dereham) – Cavity wall insulation stolen from building site

1/4 – Aslacton (South Norfolk) – Unknown persons have lifted fence panels out and stolen them.

2/4 – Harleston (South Norfolk) – Theft of diesel from HGV's

2/4 – Tottenhill (Kings Lynn) – Damage to a post box

3/4 – Wiggshall St Germans (Kings Lynn) – 20 tractors entered and GPS screens removed

3/4 - Terrington St Clement (Kings Lynn) – White diesel stolen from machinery

3/4 – Frenze Hall Lane (Diss) – Arson of straw bales on concrete pad

3/4 – Kings Lynn – Theft of diesel from agriculture machinery

4/4 – Mattishall (Diss) – Theft of heating oil

6/4 – Bawburgh (South Norfolk) – Van seen stealing scrap metal (Stopped by Police 2 arrested investigation ongoing)

Wildlife investigations/incidents – any offences which contravenes current legislation governing the protection of wild animals and plants

29/03 – 04/04 – Lyng (Dereham) – A lame pony has been abandoned in a field with other horses

01/04 – Norwich – Pigeon killed causing public distress and not within GL conditions

Heritage investigations/incidents – any offences involving damage or loss to the historic environment

None

Any other business

The return of the GPS thefts is obviously concerning for all. This has continued this week in bordering counties.

What we are continuing to see as a trend across the country is the same farms targeted a number of times – but just because you haven't been a victim please do not get complacent.

Please urgently review security steps and please also consider removing these devices from machines that cannot be secured appropriately. Until the manufacturers change the production there is no way to track the device once disconnected from the machine (there are some after market options available to put trackers in these devices but there is a risk of voiding warranty frustratingly)

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