

TORRIDGE DISTRICT NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



WEEKLY CRIME REPORT/NEWSLETTER

WEEK COMMENCING THURSDAY 4th February 2021

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PLEASE NOTE The information below is obtained from Selected Reported Crime Incidents, restricted and sanitised, taken from Crime Sheets prepared by the Police for the Torrington District and are not Official Police Figures, and only refer to crimes of Theft and Damage. We live in one of the safest low crime areas in England and Wales. *To get a more realistic view of all crime committed in Torrington you can visit the Devon and Cornwall Police Website.*

Fear of crime in our area is far worse than the actual crime committed.

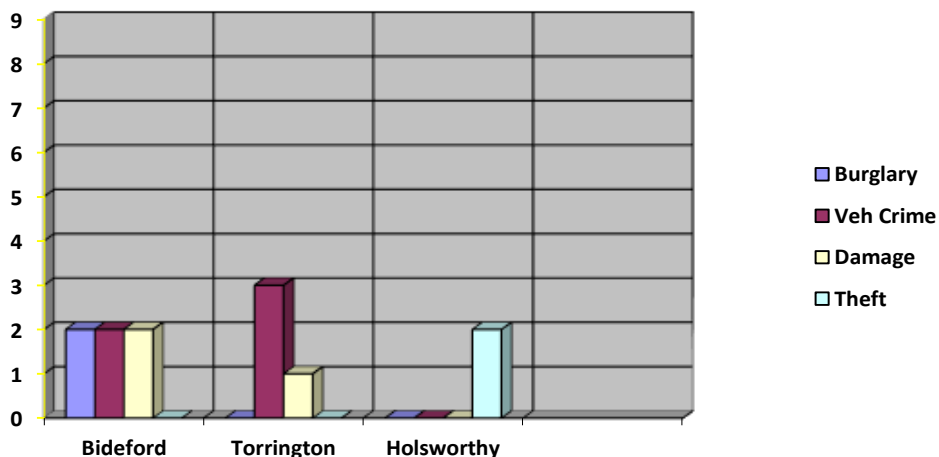


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This Week's Crime Statistics.

After having 0 reported crimes of Theft and Criminal Damage committed in the whole of Torrington last week, this week we have 12 with crimes recorded on 7 days.



SUMMARY OF CRIME

During the last week 6 crimes were committed in the Bideford area, 4 in the Torrington Area and 2 in the Holsworthy area. We had 2 Burglaries, 6 Vehicle Crimes, 3 of Damage and 1 of Theft.

We had 0 Dwelling Burglary, 2 Non-Dwelling Burglaries, 1 Thefts of Vehicle, 0 Theft from Vehicle, 1 Theft Non-specifics, 0 Theft Pedal Cycle, 5 Damage to Vehicles, 2 Damage to Dwellings, 1 Damage Non- Dwellings and 0 Damage Non-specifics.

We have had 1 incident included in the above of "Contained Domestic Incidents" and because they do not affect anyone else, under the Data Protection Act, this restricts us to what information we can pass on.

This last week 7 crimes were committed in our towns and 5 in our rural areas.

<u>Bideford</u>		<u>Torrington</u>		<u>Holsworthy</u>	
<u>Tn</u>	<u>Ru</u>	<u>Tn</u>	<u>Ru</u>	<u>Tn</u>	<u>Ru</u>
3	3	3	1	1	1

CRIMES COMMITTED DURING LAST WEEK

No	CRIME	LOCATION	STREET	AREA	CRIME DETAILS
1	Theft of Vehicle.	Vehicle	New Market Road	Holsworthy CH2L:	Vehicle parked securely has been taken by unknown person
2	Damage Non Dwelling	Farm	No Street Name	Winkleigh CT3Y	Unknown suspects have entered a farm and went to the area of open ground opposite the barn where the bales of haylage are stored, the suspects have then slashed open 24 bales causing the contents to spoil in the bad weather with the hay being soaked and rotting .
3	Damage To a Vehicle.	Vehicle	Well Street	Torrington CT2I	Vehicle parked secure and unattended offender has slashed three tyres with a sharp instrument
4	Damage To Dwelling.	Dwelling	Domestic	Domestic	Domestic Incident
5	Damage To a Vehicle.	Vehicle	Park Avenue	Westward Ho! CD3H	Vehicle parked secure and unattended offender has slashed the tyres
6	Damage To a Vehicle.	Vehicle	Calf Street	Torrington CT2I	Offender have keyed along the driver's side Of the vehicle
7	Damage To a Vehicle.	Vehicle	Park Avenue	Westward Ho! CD3H	Vehicle parked secure and unattended both drivers side tyres have been attacked causing visible damage and have gone flat CCTV
8	Burglary Non Dwelling	Garage	Union Close	Bideford CD3E	Offenders unknown have entered a locked garage attached to a block of flats and have taken several building tools,huter wellies, a Canada goose coat, building boots and a mac laptop. Items stolen amount to £7000.Slight damage to garage door to the bottom left corner .Victims ring door/camera which covers the garage door had its battery removed
9	Damage To a Vehicle.	Vehicle	School Lane	Torrington CT2I	Vehicle parked secure and unattended Offender has slashed vehicle near side front tyre
10	Theft Non Specific	Garden	No Street Name	Pyworthy CH2N	Aggrieved had two signs advertising eggs for sale both signs have been taken from their placement
11	Burglary Non Dwelling	Antique Shop	Kingsley Road	Bideford CD3D	Unknown offender forced entry to the building through the front door using unknown instrument, once inside the property the offenders have forced entry to a glass cabinet and stolen rings from inside the cabinet. Offender have then left through the front door.
12	Damage To Dwelling.	Window	Nelson Road	Westward Ho! CD3H	Aggrieved was called out by an alarm going off and noticed a small hole a size of a golf ball in a window on the front of the building low down on window-by-window ledge .

DAILY CRIME RECORD.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>MONTH/YEAR</u>	<u>CRIMES</u>	<u>DAILY CRIME</u>	<u>COMMITTED</u>
Thursday 4th	February 2021	“	1 to 3	3
Friday 5th	“ “	“	4	1
Saturday 6th	“ “	“	5	1
Sunday 7th	“ “	“	6 to 7	2
Monday 8th	“ “	“	8 to 9	2
Tuesday 9th	“ “	“	10 to 12	3
Wednesday 10th	“ “	“	No Crimes	0
				Total = 12

Please Note – These are the dates of Crimes Reported and not crimes committed.
PLEASE CONTACT THE POLICE ON 101 IF YOU WITNESSED OR HAVE ANY
INFORMATION RELEVANT TO THESE CRIMES GIVING FULL DETAILS

NHW ALERT MONTHLY REPORTS LINK.

<https://www.neighbourhoodalert.co.uk/>

This is a national scheme that is growing quickly and is basically the new community messaging scheme.

- **Even comes as an app for smartphones.**
 - **Click on the above website to learn more.**
 - **Keep you up to date with the crime as it is taking place.**
- If you have registered twice could you, please delete one of the accounts.**



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POLICE NEWS AND UPDATES.



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crimestoppers-uk.org
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Devon and Cornwall Police have sent the following message

The following is the email address of the Torridge Police and in future will be in this place each week.

torridge@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk

This is for a routine message that does not require prompt or immediate action as it is not manned 24 hours or 7 days a week.

In emergency phone 999 or non-emergency 101.

Bitcoin-Related Scam Emails

We're warning the public to be vigilant of unsolicited emails promoting cryptocurrency (Bitcoin) investment opportunities. We've received over 750 reports this week about Bitcoin-related phishing emails that use fake celebrity endorsements to try and lure victims into investment scams. The links in the emails lead to fraudulent websites that are designed to steal your money, as well as personal and financial information.

How you can protect yourself:

- **Investment opportunities:** Don't be rushed into making an investment. Remember, legitimate organisations will never pressure you into making a transaction on the spot.
- **Seek advice first:** Speak with a trusted friend or family members, and seek independent professional advice before making significant financial decisions.
- **FCA register:** Use the Financial Conduct Authority's (FCA) register to check if the company is regulated by the FCA. If you deal with a firm (or individual) that isn't regulated, you may not be covered by the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS) if things go wrong and you lose your money.
- For more information about how to invest safely, please visit: <https://www.fca.org.uk/scamsmart>
- **Report suspicious emails:** If you have received an email which you're not quite sure about, you can report it to the Suspicious Email Reporting Service by forwarding the email to - report@phishing.gov.uk

To see examples of the Bitcoin-related phishing emails that have been reported to us, follow Action Fraud on [Twitter](#) or [Facebook](#).

(Please forward this message to any friends, family members, or colleagues that may find this information useful)