



## **Report for Parish Councils – Downton Rural Beat (Britford, Coombe Bissett, Downton, Odstock and Redlynch) - December 2018**

### **Current local Policing Priorities**

- **Theft of lead from buildings – Downton and nearby villages**  
Additional patrols to deter and detect thefts of roofing lead. Visits to local scrap metal dealers to gather intelligence and identify those involved in selling large quantities of lead/ scrap metal
- **Patrols to target Rural crime and Poaching**  
Patrols by Police officers and PCSO's to target both daytime and night poaching at identified hotspots (recent reports Odstock/ Wick Down)
- **Burglaries to outbuildings (garages/ sheds etc)**  
Targeted patrols in hotspots – currently Redlynch/ Lover/ Hamptworth – to deter/ detect offences. Ongoing investigations and cross border intel sharing to identify offenders

### **Crime summary (reports from November/ early Dec)**

23/11 – Barford Lane, Downton – stole roofing lead from outbuilding  
28/11 – Hamptworth – gained entry to van and stole 2 x Husqvarna chainsaws and angle grinder  
01/12 – The Borough, Downton – male disturbed attempting to steal lead from roof  
01/12 – Odstock – lead stolen from roof  
06/12 – Odstock Down – vehicle drove through fencing and across land causing damage to crops – poaching related  
12/12 – Hamptworth – garage forced – search made – unknown if anything stolen  
14/12 – Drove Close, Coombe Bissett – gained entry to garage and stole child's Honda Quad bike and Yamaha 90cc Quad bike

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**Keep safe at Christmas** – take a look at our Wiltshire Police website for some useful crime prevention advice - <https://goo.gl/TVew6q>

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