

Countryside Watch.

Countryside Watch covers the whole of rural Cambridgeshire. It has in excess of 700 paid up members the majority of which are farmers.

Since the last Annual Parish Meeting 40 incidents have been notified by the watch Co-Ordinator of which 3 were pertinent to Woodhurst. There has been no information forthcoming from Neighbourhood watch so it is possible that there are slightly more incidents that we do not know about.

Areas Targeted :- FARMS. Theft of Red Diesel.
Scrap Metal (100 pounds per ton)
Tractors.
Diggers.
Tools.
Metal Farm Gates.
Poultry.
Caravans.
Trailers.

Private Dwellings. Heating Oil. Domestic fuel tanks have been targeted in built up areas. The tanks have been filled by fuel companies and later that night they have been pump out by thieves. This has happened in a residential area of Warboys.. as well as isolated farm dwellings.

Suspect Vehicles. There have been many incidents of strange vehicles pulling into farmyards, allegedly trying to sell tools or equipment, and leave when they are challenged. Transit vans or pickups are frequently involved although other vehicles have been seen.

If you see any such suspicious vehicle:- DO NOT GET INVOLVED. Please get a description of the people and more importantly get the INDEX NUMBER of the vehicle involved, It may well prove to be a false Number at which time we shall know that they were up to no good and we can alert all Countryside Watch members and the Police.

Our Regional Officer is Stefan Gidlow who can be contacted on 07890455959. If a serious crime is still happening call the POLICE on 999.

Please remember to report all incidents to the police, if there is no report, IT DID NOT HAPPEN.

Bob Newell

Parish Councillor

19th April 2010.