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Police Report – Emberton & Petsoe End – July 2022

Crime Report / Incidents from 17th June – 15th July 2022

**1 x ASB, 2 X Suspicious Persons, 1 x Assault without Injury reported in Emberton during the period
16/06/22 to 15/07/22**

This Month's Crime Reduction Advice is – Are you advertising more than your holiday.



If you're at home

Lock all front and rear doors at night and when you are out. If you have a UPVC door, remember to lift the handle and lock it with the key.

Keep all valuables and keys, including car keys, out of sight and out of reach of windows and letterboxes. Double check your vehicle is locked too.

Ensure side gates are locked to prevent access to the rear of the property. Move bins away from side walls and fences.

Keep ladders and tools stored away. Don't leave them outside where they could be used to break into your home.

If you're going away

Don't advertise that you are going on holiday on social media – wait until you are home to upload your snaps.

Check your home insurance policy, as some may pay out less, or not at all, if you've put that you're away on social media.

Going on holiday? Use a timer switch to make your house look occupied, even when it isn't.

Ask someone you trust to keep an eye on your house while you are away.

Don't leave spare keys in obvious places such as under doormats or plant pots.

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For further information on crime prevention advice this summer visit
www.thamesvalley.police.uk



You can reduce the risk of becoming a victim by looking at your home security through the eyes of a burglar. Think about how you would break in if you locked yourself out. You may be surprised at how easy it would be.

To get started, simply download your **FREE Home Security Guide** from the Thames Valley Police website here: <https://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/police-forces/thames-valley-police/areas/advice/home-security-guide/>

Below are some quick practical steps that you can take right now to make your home more secure:

- Ensure doors and windows are locked, even if you are just out in the garden.
- Store house, window and car keys out of reach of windows and your letterbox.
- Hide valuables so they cannot be seen from outside.
- Mark your valuables with a UV pen or forensic marking kit as this will make it harder for thieves to sell the items.
- Register valuables free on the national property register at www.immobilise.com and bicycles at www.bikeregister.com.
- Trim back hedges and shrubs at the front of your property so that burglars have nowhere to hide.
- Always lock sheds and garages to prevent access to tools that could be used to break into your home.
- Plant thorny bushes around the perimeter of your garden to deter thieves from climbing in.
- Gravel can be laid on driveways, paths and beneath ground floor windows which will make a noise when stood on.

By working together, we can build community resilience to deter burglars from targeting homes within the area.

Thames Valley Alert Messaging

Sign up to the free community messaging system Called Thames Valley Alert This site provides an invitation for you to participate in the exchange of information with Thames Valley Police, Neighbourhood Watch and other community groups. As a registered recipient you will not only benefit from two way messaging but may also learn about those in your community subject of anti-social behaviour orders, help identify suspected or wanted criminals or learn about community groups, events or meetings in your area <https://www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk>

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