

RYHILL SAFE SCHEME – SUMMARY OF MAY 2024 REPORT

The Safe Scheme Coordinator continues to work closely with Parish Council on priority areas and issues raised as concerns by parishioners.

A total of 20 police officer hours were worked during the month of May at various times during the day and early hours of the morning. We now have a road traffic officer working with the scheme for the next 12 months because of specialist skills in relation to roads policing.

There was **1 priority crime** in Ryhill. This was a burglary where a garage had been broken into. There were **2 separate incidents of damage**: a brick was thrown through the window of a car; a field was set alight. A suspect has been identified for the latter incident and is being dealt with by the local NPT.

Patrols included:

- Quite a number of patrols were made in a marked traffic car, using the speed gun and ANPR cameras, targeting nuisance vehicles. A total of 9 tickets were issued for a variety of offences, the majority for speeding through the village of Ryhill
- High visibility foot patrols were made in all the usual areas noted for anti-social behaviour and including the allotment sites, Ryhill Park and Stray, and the cemetery due to recent reports of antisocial behaviour and cars congregating. Shops were visited but there were no reports of ASB or shop thefts at that time
- Quite a number of patrols were made on the off-road bikes in the usual areas for antisocial behaviour. An officer witnessed a driver driving erratically and he was stopped and issued a ticket for not being in proper control of a motor vehicle. The officer encountered a green motorcross type bike with a young unidentified male wearing motorcross clothing and helmet. He made off at speed towards Cold Hiendley and could not be traced. Another officer reported several patrols on the off-road motorbike on usual tracks. Members of the public approached officer with information about drug dealing around the dental surgery and therefore intelligence reports have been submitted. The same officer was on alert with other officers during that period following reports of an incident where a suspicious male had apparently tried to lure a child into his car on Mill Lane. To date the suspect has not been identified.
- Another officer conducted patrols in a marked police vehicle, giving attention to the usual hotspots and including the cemetery due to reports of damage to graves. The officer stopped a vehicle on Station Road due to excess speed – documents were in order. The same officer is on the look out for a grey Audi A4 which has been used in burglaries in surrounding villages