

RYHILL SAFE SCHEME – SUMMARY OF JANUARY 2025 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 16 police officer hours were worked during the month of January 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 month. This was:

- A robbery where an electric motorbike was stolen with force from a local male. Enquiries are ongoing.
- There was also an incident of criminal damage where a window was smashed at a derelict building.

Patrols included the following:

- The traffic officer conducted patrols in the village and issued the following: 2 x tickets for speeding; 4x tickets for not wearing seatbelts; 1 x ticket for no MOT; 2 x tickets for non-conforming VRM
- Four separate patrols were made on in marked police vehicles in all the usual hotspots, including the cemetery. No issues arose and there was no suspicious or criminal activity during these patrols. Officers reported that the village was generally very quiet. Numerous vehicles were checked via police systems but all were found to be in order. The increase in vehicle patrols is partly due to burglaries in the next village of Notton over the last few weeks and where vehicles have been sighted in suspicious circumstances
- An officer made several foot patrols in the village, on consecutive days. He reported that the village was very quiet, possibly due to the inclement weather
- Several officers made a total of three separate patrols on off-road motorcycles targeting nuisance bikes because these are an ongoing and priority issue reported by members of the public. The greenspaces and fly lines, as well as the road network, were targeted. It was clear that there had been quite a lot of activity but on one occasion there was no one around. On another occasion an officer spotted two nominals on a motorbike which made off when they saw him. It was road legal with keeper details and so he will be following it up with a view to prosecuting the rider. On another occasion an officer followed up reports of ASB on a quad bike in the area. He spoke to an owner at a local address who seemed aware of his legal responsibilities about off-road vehicles and when they may be used. Two off-road motorcycles were seen on a field on the entrance to the village from Havercroft/Cold Hiendley. They were fully kitted out in motocross clothing but on seeing the officer they made off onto Church Lane.