

HALEBANK PARISH COUNCIL REPORTS

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Here is the Police Report for the Halebank Parish Council **for this area only**. This report covers a one-month period as shown from 03rd March 2024 The date shown is usually the reported date and not necessarily the date of the incident, though it often is.

Overview and Crime

These reports I produce are for the Parish Councils, residents and other interested parties and I produce them because I feel they are a good way of keeping connected with you all. Sometimes, if I am off for whatever reason, they may not be produced. I am always able to try to help anyone with anything I can. I hope the Parish Council and readers understand.

We are not saying any crime is acceptable, but we are pleased to say we are experiencing lower levels of late. We are always striving to improve this, and, with your help, we can do this. Thank you for the part you play in keeping the area a nice place to live and work.

Statistics

You may not realise just how much you keep the statistics low. You, the residents and your families, the school including teachers and pupils, businesses, church and congregations and visitors alike. By being crime aware, looking out for each other and for reporting suspicious activity. Thank You - from all of us here at Cheshire Police. Thank you to those residents that also keep a watch, not only on their own property, but also on their neighbours.

Parking & Traffic issues

Parking is enforced across our area with particular attention to the "hot spot locations of Halebank Road with Hale Road, Pickering's Road and Foundry Lane etc.

Double Yellow Lines is NO WAITING AT ANY TIME. Please remember also if there are solid white lines in the middle of the road then you must not park (even if on the kerb, as the restriction applies up to the wall or building). Single Yellow lines indicate a restriction to waiting usually shown on a plate which will be on a post nearby. The main issue is Unnecessary Obstruction - not allowing sufficient space for prams, wheelchairs, and disabled persons etc. to pass freely on the pavement. Remember to keep lowered kerbs clear. No stopping on Zig Zag lines.

The local authority put the markings and signage in place and the police enforce (Widnes and Runcorn). There had been reports of many vans causing issues Hale Road near to Harrison Street and the Golden Triangle industrial estate and I have visited numerous times, issued Fixed Penalty Notices and I will continue to deal with this location. The yellow lines here are barely visible.

Weight Limit

As Halebank has a 7.5t weight restriction on Halebank Road, I do keep an eye on this to try to maintain low levels of transgressors. Remember it is not an HGV ban! I must also highlight that we do have farms in the area and so will be vehicles over the limit but needing access, this is allowed. We have not had any reports of Heavy Goods vehicles causing issues this period. When carrying out speed enforcement I am conscious to any possible breaches of the limit though, as the potential vehicle was not seen transiting through, it would only be a courtesy or advisory letter at the most.

Speed Enforcement

Speed enforcement is carried out on Halegate Road and Halebank Road. Enforcement was carried out 04th April 2024 mid-afternoon and three vehicles were captured over the limit. Please report any concerns you have via our website www.cheshire.police.uk.

Wildlife & Rural matters Pleased to report generally no issues on this topic. We do get the occasional incident around the area connected with farming, the site of Special Scientific Interest at the Duck Decoy site etc. We are keeping our eyes and ears open for any reports of illegal wildlife activity. Please do report any suspicious activity to us – often such activity is carried out under the cover of darkness, telephone us on 101 and we will check.

Places of faith we do try to be visible around places of faith when possible and when shifts allow.

Abandoned Phone Calls

Anti-Social Behaviour x1 20/03/24 dog related Blackburne Ave.

Arrest Attempts

Breach of the Peace x1 Higher Road pedal bike into a vehicle RTC 15/03/24

Burglary in a Dwelling

Burg other than in a dwelling x2 28/03/24 Lovel's Way construction site & Golden Triangle Ind estate 31/03/24 where an HGV was stolen too.

Collapse/Injury x1 23/03/24 Blackburne Ave child injury – dog bite related.

Common Assault x1 31/03/24 Baguley Ave

Complaint against the Police

Concern for Safety x3 14/03/24 Baguley Ave mental health issues for partner agencies. 27/03/24 Parental/pupil issues Heath View Road & male with a pedal bike A562 04/04/24

Criminal Damage.

Dangerous Dog or dog related.

Domestic Incidents x8

Drugs

Found Property x1 Halebank Rd found wallet/cards/cash 26/03/24.

Found Stolen Motor Vehicle

Fraud

Harassment

Hate Crime

Highway Disruption x8 A562 08/03/24 and 11/03/24 pedestrian, 14/03/24 abandoned vehicle, 23/03/24 x2 roofbox in carriageway, 24/03/24 possible drunk driver & 26/03/24 recovery company needing assistance for safety. 20/03/24 Hale Rd with Foundry Lane temp. lights out.

Intelligence Reports x20

Malicious Communications

Miscellaneous x10

Missing Person x2 14/03/24 Blackburne Ave safe & well and 03/04/24 Pickering's Pasture All ok

Police Protection Childcare x 2 16/03/24

Road Related Offences x3 18/03/24 Halebank Rd anonymous call re erratic driver, 05/04/24 driver spoken to re alleged driving on Hale Road and 05/04/24 driver swerving A562

Road Traffic Collision – Damage Only x2 21/03/24 & 26/03/24 A562

Road Traffic Collision – Injury & damage x3 14/03, 21/03/24 Speke Rd & Halebank Rd 20/03/24

Robbery

Sexual offence

Shoplifting

Suspicious Person/Vehicle/Activity x1 31/03/24 3 males acting suspicious near Lovel Terrace

Stop Search

Sudden death x2 08/03/24 & 22/03/24

Theft

Theft off/from a motor vehicle see the BOTIAD entry.

Theft Other x1 05/04/24 Online victim of a scam – Clapgate Crescent

Violence Harassment & Threats x5 15/03/24 x2 Blackburne Ave issue concerning pupil throwing chairs, 27/03/24 x2 Primary school Heath View Rd connected issues and 29/03/24 Halebank Rd family related matter.

Vulnerable Persons Reports x6

Warrant x1 28/03/24 Clapgate Crescent

Summary

Halebank remains a very nice and safe place to live. The figures in this report are amongst the lowest we have had for Halebank. Please carry on reporting the issues you do and do not rely on others possibly calling us if you witness anything that troubles you. Remember when you phone 101 for the police you are covered by Cheshire – not Merseyside Police. There is often an option so please choose correctly.

We want to encourage even more information – intelligence that we gather. If residents are not confident in passing their details to us, they can call Crimestoppers on **0800 555111** – they will not ask for your details and the information will still reach us. We would rather the callers have the confidence in us and the system as the callers' details are "sanitized" from all the intelligence reports. I.e., suspicious goings on/suspicious persons/vehicles, smells of cannabis etc. if reporting vehicles or persons try to obtain details such as vehicle registration marks; clothing descriptions etc. – if you have a mobile with you many have voice recorders.

I would like our readers here or followers on social media (Ditton and Hale Police Facebook) to complete a **Resident's Voice** Survey. This is a Cheshire Police survey to try and ascertain what issues are important to the residents and the survey only takes five minutes, is anonymous to street level and they all get read. Please visit the main website www.cheshire.police.uk and type in the search "Residents Voice Widnes". You should be able to "Take the survey" and if you have any issues email me. Some reports of certain crimes can be reported via the website also.

We are hoping the Parish Council, school, church, businesses and residents are encouraged and reassured by the report however if you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch.

If you want up to date information about Halebank policing matters, we post messages on Facebook – see below for details. We will post as often as we should/can when we are on duty. If any readers are local and they need any help with this, I can also call along to set these up for you or show you how to tweet or post yourselves! It's so easy - just like texting!

I would also like to promote the Cheshire police ALERT system further. This Alert system is geared up like a Homewatch scheme whereby businesses or households can choose to be alerted on matters that you want – such as scams, bogus callers, etc. and by which method you choose such as text, phone call, email etc. There is more information on our website or via <https://www.cheshirepolicealert.co.uk> I am more than willing to help any resident or business get set up.

A resource for obtaining information as to police related matters is <https://www.askthe.police.uk> (apps available)

Remember **999 calls are for emergencies only** and these cover matters such as but not limited to:

- there is a danger to life.
- violence is used or threatened.
- a serious crime (violent crime/burglary) is in progress or likely to occur.
- a suspect for a serious crime is nearby.
- there is a road traffic collision involving personal injury or danger to other road users.
- a vulnerable person needs urgent attention.
- Our 999 call handlers strive to answer all calls within 10 seconds.

Non-emergencies

For non-emergency calls, call **101**. Using 999 for general enquiries may delay response to someone who needs urgent assistance. You should dial 101 (the non-emergency number) if:

- you want to report a crime or criminal damage that is not in progress at the time of your call
- you want to report a minor road traffic collision.

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Beat Manager is PC (vacant!)

Supervision is Sergeant 5889 Phil Pickering

Please do not report crimes to our social media accounts. They are not always monitored, and we do not yet have the facility to use this process.