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To notify Police about a crime, report a suspicious Incident, or to contact your Community Beat Officer	101
Crimestoppers	0800 555 111
HM Revenue & Customs	0800 595000
National Drugs Helpline	0800 776600
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B of P Anti Social Behaviour Team	01202 633438
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POLICE / NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SURGERIES

A member of the Neighbourhood Policing Team and your Watch Group are at Parkstone Library, Britannia Rd. on Friday April 29th from 11 am. to 12 noon Please use these opportunities to tell us about any problems, or ask for crime prevention advice.

Don't forget the Annual General Meeting April 13th 7-30pm in the Parkstone Yacht Club, Pearce Ave.

This newsletter was delivered by your contact _____
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Lilliput & Lower Parkstone
Neighbourhood Watch

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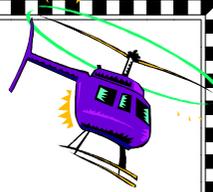
FROM THE CHAIRMAN

I recently watched the international space station travel overhead, 17,500 mph and four minutes from horizon to horizon. Not that unusual these days it seems, but the remarkable and for me the most incomprehensible fact, is that time runs more slowly in space and at that speed. Astronaut Tim Peake is, therefore ageing more slowly than the rest of us, imperceptibly perhaps, but nevertheless.

For we earthbound mortals time marches inexorably on and there's nothing we can do about it.

Those of us who are facing old age can be a bit proud, a bit stubborn, like to stick to the old ways, "things aren't what they used to be" eh? So we don't want to ask for help, we refuse to use a walking aid, and we aren't ready for a 'lifeline' just yet, those things are for old people.

I read recently that several thousand, yes thousand, older people died of the cold last winter, afraid to keep the heating on during a cold spell because of the cost - really? In the 21st century? *Continued overleaf*

 **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** 

WEDNESDAY 13th April
At 7-30 pm

Parkstone Yacht Club Pearce Avenue
Guest speakers

INSPECTOR SHAWN WHITLEY
Neighbourhood Inspector -Poole South

& A SPEAKER FROM DORSET & SOMERSET
AIR AMBULANCE

So you young un's in our community, do something would you? If you have a vulnerable or elderly neighbour just keep an eye out for them. If it's cold, knock on their door and see if they are OK, ask if they need any supplies; if you've not seen them for a couple of days find out why; perhaps let them know you are available to help if they have any concerns. You might get told to clear off and mind your own business but do you know what, it's better than the alternative?

NEW WEB ADDRESS.

We will be closing the old website down at the beginning of March as it had got a bit expensive for us, and difficult to update. The new web address is longer but it's free. You can find us at lpinw.myfreesites.net, please have a look as it's live now. Graham

CRIME PREVENTION ADVICE

- Always keep your doors and windows shut and locked where possible, even if you're in your property
- Use a light switch timer
- Keep shopping bags out of view, whether in the car or in the window of your house
- If you're going on holiday, ask a friend or neighbour to park on your driveway and make sure any post is put through your letter box properly
- Cancel any regular delivery items such as milk.
- Fit a burglar alarm and make sure it's set every time you're out
- Do not leave car, door or window keys on view. Never leave keys within reach of a letterbox or a window.
- Register valuable property at <http://www.immobilise.com> or keep an inventory including description, serial number and photograph of each item
- Ask your local Neighbourhood Watch contact or a neighbour to keep an eye on your home while you are away.

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Crime figures for Dec.2015

These crime figures have been compiled using the Police website and the 'Dorset Alert' messages received via email or telephone.

- During December there were 6 burglaries or attempted burglaries of which at least 3 were either to sheds or garages.
- In one of these incidents the would-be-burglar damaged the shed lock which activated the shed alarm and the burglar fled.
- There were 3 reported bike thefts during the same period. One bike was stolen from a driveway from behind locked gates.
- Five vehicle crimes were reported in December. Four cars had items stolen from them and one vehicle was stolen.
- There were also 4 cases of theft and 6 cases of criminal damage.

The January figures had not been posted on the Dorset Police website at the time of writing the newsletter. However one January message from 'Dorset Alert' informs that on the 6th January a high powered BB gun was taken from a property in the Church Rd area which is only across the road from our N.W. area.

Scammers continue to come up with new ways to try and part us from our money. 'Dorset Alert' frequently sends out messages from the National Fraud Intelligence Bureau as well as what crimes are happening in our area. Please consider joining the scheme. You can receive messages by email or by telephone at a time convenient for you.

To join this messaging system if you have a computer, go to www.dorsetalert.co.uk and complete the registration form online. If you do not have access to a computer get a friend or neighbour to print a form for you.

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