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Dear Chris

Thank you for your email dated 18 April concerning crime in Brixworth.

Having spoken with the Neighbourhood Policing Sergeant, he has advised that crime remains fairly static in this location with Burglary down 11% on previous year, Criminal Damage down 41% and Theft of motor vehicles down by 60%

Further details of all recorded crime for Brixworth are contained in the table below:

Crime Type	12 months to 01/04/2018	11 months to 01/03/2019
Theft	21	19
Arson	3	2
Bicycle Theft	2	3
Burglary	46	41
Criminal Damage	34	20
Drug Offences	7	8
Possession of weapons	2	3
Public Disorder	13	11
Robbery Business	0	0
Robbery Personal	0	2
Sexual offences inc Rape	7	9
Shoplifting	13	5
Theft from person	1	0
Theft from vehicle	23	24
Theft of motor vehicle	5	2
Vehicle interference	1	10
Violence	88	107
Total	266	266



As you know I have ring fenced £3 million this year, with part of the funding being used to implement a Force Burglary Team consisting of nine officers supported by intelligence, forensic and proactive resources, who will work underneath the banner - Operation Crooked, to tackle the issue.

The team will be led by a Detective Superintendent, Detective Chief Inspector and Detective Inspector and will be overseen by Detective Chief Superintendent Mark Behan.

As part of Operation Crooked, the Force will also be sharing crime prevention advice based on the fact that 25% of burglaries are caused by unlocked doors and windows. They will also be issuing wanted appeals of known offenders they want to put behind bars for burglary offences.

Every penny of the additional funding raised from the precept increase will be spent improving frontline services to allow greater visibility and accessibility. The Chief Constable has assured me of a more robust policing approach to ensure that our county becomes a hostile environment for criminals and where crime does occur, that the Force is able to respond effectively and carry out a professional and thorough investigation. This includes:

- Additional resources to tackle crime and bolster the rural crime teams to support policing in rural areas
- Greater focus on tackling street level drug dealing and anti-social behaviour.

I continue to monitor progress and to hold the Chief Constable to account for the delivery of an efficient and effective police force.

Yours sincerely

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