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Bumps in the night

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SOMETHING went bang last Thursday night — but nobody knows what it was.

A series of loud bangs were heard all over Sussex in the early hours of the morning.

Mrs Winifred Harris, who lives near the East Preston fire station in North Lane, heard the noises at 3.40 a.m.

'I heard three bangs, one after the other. I didn't know what it was,' she said.

She woke her husband Mr Cyril Harris, and they tried to find out the cause of the sudden noise.

They thought it came from the fire station, but nothing was happening there and the retired couple were baffled.

The cause of the strange bangs has not been discovered, but several theories have been put out.

A plane could be blamed except there weren't any around and the Ministry of Defence have said it wasn't one of theirs.

More far-fetched ideas include a small earthquake and a visiting UFO.