

# Vigilantes sack police station in Niger after bandits killed 6

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1 Bandits, yesterday, killed six vigilante members in Kagara, Rafi LGA of Niger State after a renewed attack on the town, leading the vigilante members to sack the police station in the area in protest.

The bandits were said to have attacked the town

at about 7am blocking the Pandogari road.

Sources said some drivers and passengers were injured during the attack.

A source, who asked not to be named, said various calls to the police went unanswered leaving the vigilantes to face the bandits which led to the death of six of them.

It was also learnt that the

vigilantes took the corpses of their colleagues to the police divisional office in Kagara and started protesting.

Not satisfied with the response of the police to their plight, the vigilantes attacked the police office destroying the police's armoury and went away with their ammunition.

"They were angry that the police did not do anything

about the attack or respond to calls for help as they left only the vigilantes to battle the bandits which led to the death of some of their colleagues," the source said.

The Police Command Public Relations Officer, ASP Wasiu Abiodun, said information about the attack was still sketchy but added that more policemen have been drafted to the place.