



Avon and Somerset Police
NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING

Exmoor update

NEWS IN YOUR AREA

December 2022

Rural community visits

PCSO's Michelle and Linda have been making visits to offer crime prevention and support to the local farming community this will be your chance to sign up to Farm and Horse Watch. Also obtain any additional signage you may require.

Offering our support and how to keep in touch. They continue to make visits in the area. Please feel free to contact them if you would like a specific visit. Otherwise, they will try and call when they can to see you. Look forward to seeing you.



PCSO's Michelle and Linda have been visiting victims of crime from some recent thefts from Outbuildings/sheds. And offering the victims Selecta DNA which is unique marking to help prevent the theft and help locate owner should items be stolen.



Upcoming Events

7th January Dulverton Library With
PCSO Michelle 10:30-11:30am

10th January Timberscombe The Old
Dairy 10:30am-12pm with PCSO Linda

11th January Porlock School 10:30am -
11:30am with PCSO Linda

12th January Talking Café at Fishers
Mead With PCSO Michelle 11-12:30pm

27th January 10:30am-11:30am
Porlock Library with PCSO Linda

Crime Statistics

Violence against a person x3
Burglary x1
Arson and Criminal damage x1
Other x1
Theft x1



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Pcso's Michelle and Linda have been at Dunster by Candlelight. It was great to see the event back up and running after a few years. There was a lovely Christmas atmosphere.

Michelle also attended Dulverton by Starlight and this was also a very successful event. We have also attended the Cutcombe Christmas market and there was a great opportunity to speak with the farming community.



Do you have a defibrillator in your village or community? Is it registered on **The Circuit (The National Defibrillator Network)**?

If not – please do. With so many visitors to our area, making a call to the NHS to locate the nearest defibrillator could save a life.

Registering a defibrillator does not cost anything at all, and the process is now simpler than ever - all defibrillators should now be registered on "The Circuit", a new database set up by the NHS in conjunction with Microsoft & the British Heart Foundation.

Just search "The Circuit" and add yours to the map!



This will ensure if people ring NHS to establish the nearest Defib then the location can be given.



OP Tonic

This is our focus on preventing Drink Driving, there will be extra checks at the roadside for motorists to ensure that over this festive season people are driving safely and not after consuming Alcohol.

Combating Drink Driving

August and December are peak months for collisions involving offences of drink and drug driving. In response to this, proactive operations are conducted across the Avon and Somerset area, focussing on detecting drink and drug driving offences, targeting prolific offenders, promoting road safety, educating members of the public, enforcing road traffic legislation, and ultimately denying criminals the use of our roads.

Last year's Op Tonic was a huge success, with 245 drink and drug drivers arrested in December 2021. Within our force area we dealt with four fatal collisions in December 2021, two of which had intoxicants as a factor. Behind every statistic is a story of a life taken too soon and the impact on many other lives, which will never be the same again.

We want people to behave responsibly by not drinking and driving, looking out for each other and encouraging friends and family not to drive if they plan to drink.

You can anonymously [report a suspected drink/drugs driver.](#)

We would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New year.

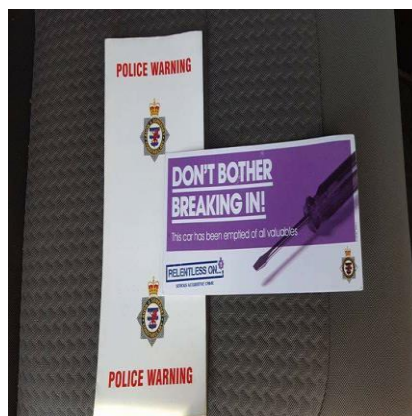
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Priorities

Drug Dealing

Are you aware of Drug dealing in your community? if so please contact the police on 101 and or report via Crimestoppers 0800555111

You can report to your local beat team via the facebook messenger system. Or online via the website. All incidents will be recorded and intelligence submitted the more information we can obtain can lead to gaining evidence and dealing with the individuals.

Drink Driving

We take drink driving very seriously. If you have concerns that someone you know may be drinking and driving, please report it at the time if possible or as general information giving the name/details of the driver and the registration/make of the vehicle. You can make the report via 101 (999 if ongoing), via an online report or by contacting Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Farm Contact Crime Prevention

Over the next few months PCSO's will be out visiting and speaking to farmers offering crime prevention Farm and Horse watch. As well as chatting about the rural community and how we can assist and keep in touch.

Speeding

Speeding has been raised as concern by village communities. We are working with our colleagues in road safety and the SEU (speed enforcement unit) to address them. We are always keen to support those who may wish to start a speed watch's in their village. If that is you, please contact your local PCSO and we will be glad to assist with information and advice.