



Avon and Somerset Police
NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING

Taunton East

NEWS IN YOUR AREA

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Meet the Team

Hi! We are PCSOs Tony and Steve and we cover Taunton East. Community is at the heart of our policing and we want to know about any issues and problems to make sure everyone feels safe. We are often out and about in the community so please do come and have chat when you see us.

Keep up to date

Facebook and Twitter are a great way to keep up to date with your local Neighbourhood Policing team. Follow us on:

Facebook: Taunton
Neighbourhood Policing

Twitter: @ASPWestSom

www.avonandsomerset.police.uk

Get in touch

In an emergency always call 999

For non-emergency matters call us on 101 or report online via www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/report

To report a crime anonymously, contact Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or visit www.crimestoppers-uk.org

NEWS FROM ACROSS TAUNTON

We're investigating after a rock was thrown at a man driving a tractor in a field in Creech St Michael at around 6pm on Saturday 7th May.

The rock struck the tractor driver on the head resulting in an injury which required hospital treatment.

The offender is described as a white male, aged in his 30s who was almost bald. He wore a black top and shorts and had a grey Staffordshire Bull Terrier-type dog with him.

We're appealing for anyone who witnessed the incident or who recognises the description of the offender to contact us on 101 quoting reference 5222108016

NEWS FROM ACROSS TAUNTON EAST

Our patrols have increased in Creech St Michael following the incident whereby a tractor driver was injured.

We've also increased our patrols following the arrival of the travelling community in various locations across Taunton East. We work closely with the local authority to try and find a more suitable location for them to stay.

We have also increased our patrols in our green spaces including parks in Creech St Michael and Ruishton following reports of anti-social behaviour.

CRIME STATISTICS

52 crimes recorded

on our crime recording system

Over the last 28 days, in Taunton East;

Some of the calls to Police included:

Violence against the person – **31**

Theft – **14**

Arson and Criminal Damage - **10**

Public Order Offences – **9**

Vehicle Offences – **6**

Sexual Offences – **3**

Burglary - **2**

Did you know...?

You can now use the StreetSafe online tool to anonymously report locations where you feel unsafe

These reports provide insight that help to shape local policing and make the streets safer for everyone.

StreetSafe is a pilot service for anyone to anonymously tell us about public places where you have felt or feel unsafe, because of environmental issues, eg street lighting, abandoned buildings or vandalism and/or because of some behaviours, eg being followed or verbally abused.

Please note: 'StreetSafe' is not for reporting crime or incidents.

Visit www.police.uk/pu/notices/streetsafe/street-safe/ for more information

Neighbourhood Surgeries

No new neighbourhood surgeries – watch this space!

Bike marking

Join us at the **Maidenbrook Community Area** in Cheddon Fitzpaine for a bike marking event on **Saturday 4th June 2022** between **12pm** and **3pm**.

LOCAL PRIORITIES

Rural Crime

There has recently been an increase in theft of garden equipment and items from the rural community.

Please make sure ALL equipment is securely locked away and if possible fixed to a permanent structure e.g. chained and padlocked.

Criminal damage and attempted burglary

Criminal damage has been caused recently in and around Creech Castle Business Park.

Several vehicles were mindlessly damaged so we have increased our patrols.

ASB and underage drinking

Reports have been received from the Parish Council regarding ASB.

Groups of youths are congregating and having alcohol fuelled parties in the park area some Friday and Saturday evenings. We have increased our patrols to educate those responsible and deter ASB.