Avon and Somerset Police
NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING

Taunton West

NEWS IN YOUR AREA February 2023

NEWS FROM ACROSS TAUNTON

Closure of problem property

A property in Taunton has been closed after a series of anti-social behaviour and drug-related incidents.

Officers were granted a three-month closure order from Taunton Magistrates' Court on a property in Eastbourne Court. The property was linked with a series of incidents, including drug use, violent behaviour and anti-social behaviour.



The closure order, which has been supported by the property owner Sanctuary Supported Living, means no-one is allowed to enter or frequent the address for a three-month period.

PC James Breakwell said: "The behaviours associated to this address, and the individuals who frequent it, were at times shocking.

"We as a neighbourhood policing team are thankful for the public's support and information provided and hope it encourages anyone feeling the effects of anti-social behaviour in their area to report it to us so we can work with partners to take action.

"We are hopeful the resulting closure order will bring some peace and tranquillity back to the road."





Meet the Team

Hi! We are PCSOs Marshall Bernhardt and Lyndsay Smith we cover Taunton West.

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

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Elsewhere in Taunton our mounted officers are helping to crack down on people using their mobile phones while driving.

A driver was sighted by patrolling officers from the mounted section and stopped the offending vehicle on East Reach in Taunton.

Drivers face six points and £200 fine, if caught using a phone.



Please don't put yourself or others in danger by driving distracted.

CRIME STATISTICS

You can access and find out more about crime statistics near you by following this link: [Your area | Police.uk (www.police.uk)]

Did you know…?

If you have concerns around speeding in your area, have considered joining our community speed watch?
A team of residents who are willing to volunteer a small amount of time a week, who are trained and issued with speed detection equipment.

Throughout Taunton West there are a number of Speed watch groups, including Bishops Hull, Norton Fitzwarren and Trull who would always be willing to welcome new members.

If this interests you, see the link below and contact us.
[Community SpeedWatch | Avon and Somerset Police]

Neighbourhood Surgeries & Events

The Skittles Coffee Shop, Norton Fitzwarren on **Wednesday 29th March 2023 11:00 -12:00**

The Hive Café, Trull on **Thursday 30th March 2023 10:00 -11:00**

Further dates to be announced as they are arranged

LOCAL PRIORITIES

Criminal Damage / Arson

Recently there has been an incident in Kingston St. Mary, where the new shelter at the playing field was sadly destroyed by a suspected arson attack.

The investigation and enquires are currently ongoing.

In response to this recent incident the neighbourhood policing team are stepping up our patrols, in and around the area to reassure the community and to disrupt and deter any further Anti-Social Behaviour.

Anti-Social Behaviour

Patrols around the Taunton West beat area continue.

We have seen an overall decline in reports of Anti-Social Behaviour across the beat which is fantastic news, the cold weather and dark evenings tend to deter a lot of these problems.

The neighbourhood team are already planning engagement and bike marking events for the coming months so keep an eye on our Facebook page.

If you would like support or any advice regarding these issues, please feel to contact the beat team via the get in touch section above.