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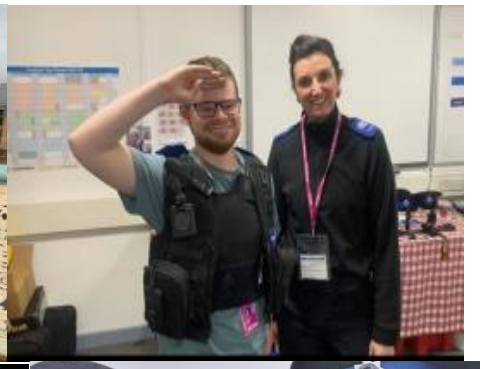
Taunton West

NEWS FROM ACROSS TAUNTON WEST

January 2023

Neighbourhood Policing Week of Action January 2023

A&S along with other forces up and down the county have recently celebrated Neighbourhood Policing Week which highlights the achievements of neighbourhood policing and the vital work that officers and PCSOs do to protect the public and keep people safe.The week focused on early Intervention, problem Solving, wellbeing and Improving trust and confidence through neighbourhood policing. These pictures nicely sum up some of work carried out during that week








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

Community Speed Watch

Are you able to give up an hour of your time once a week or even once a month to help reduce speeding vehicles through your village? Some of our villages and communities have an excellent and active Community Speed Watch Group, however the numbers are dwindling, yet the excess speeds continue. We are after willing volunteers to form part of the lovely speed watch team and become police volunteers to stand at the roadside to catch and deter speeding vehicles.
How does it work?

1. **Register your interest online via** Community SpeedWatch | Avon and Somerset Police
2. **Complete a little online test and be DBS checked**
3. **PCSO Lyndsay will then visit you and conduct some roadside training on how to use the handheld speed device and fill out the relevant paperwork**
4. **Once this is complete your local CSW coordinator will send out dates and locations of upcoming speed watch sessions. It really is that easy!**

If you think you would like to be part of this or think we have the time to give back to your community, then please do not hesitate to get in touch with us.

by following this link: Your area | Police.uk (www.police.uk)

Did you know…?

You can attend one of our free security bike marking events which are being held on:

Thursday 16th Feb at The Pavilion, Trull Playing fields between 11-1pm

Thursday 2nd March at the Concourse (M&S café) at Musgrove Park Hospital between 12 -2pm

Further events to be organised as the year goes on. If you would like us to hold an event in your community then please get in touch.

Neighbourhood Surgeries & Events

The Skittles Coffee Shop, Norton Fitzwarren on **Wednesday 1st March 2023 11:00 -12:00**

The Hive Café, Trull on **Thursday 2nd March 2023 10:00 -11:00**

Further dates to be announced as they are arranged

LOCAL PRIORITIES

Commercial and local non- dwelling burglaries

Regrettably there has been a recent spike in non-dwelling and commercial burglaries in the Taunton area.

Investigations and enquires are currently ongoing.

Please ensure that you are securing your businesses/places of work as well as your outbuildings and are not leaving valuables, such as bicycles, etc out in the open.

In response to these recent incidents the neighbourhood policing team as well as other operational support teams are stepping up our patrols, in and around Taunton to disrupt and deter any further incidents.

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.