



Avon and Somerset Police  
NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING

# Somerton & Wincanton Update

NEWS IN YOUR AREA

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## Class 'A' Drugs Seizure

Illegal drug activity has an affect not only on those directly involved with the use of but also on the wider community. Often individuals are coerced, forced or exploited into assisting with illegal activities associated with the drugs trade.

Pictured above is a quantity of wrapped suspected Class A drugs worth approximately £1000.

After intelligence was received from a concerned member of public, PS

Green, PC Baskett and PC Stuart arrested a male for possession with intent to supply Class A drugs.

A reminder to the public that if you hear or see anything you feel is suspicious, please report via 999, 101 or our online reporting system.

## Avon & Somerset Police Working Closer with Community Speed Watch

Last month, Avon & Somerset Police Neighbourhood teams have relaunched the working partnership with volunteer Community Speed Watch groups.



The Neighbourhood team has been out supporting Community Speed Watch along with conducting additional speed checks and follow up home visits with persistent speeders.

## Meet the Team

Hello, my name is Andy Stuart, I am a Neighbourhood Officer covering Martock and the Hamdons area. I have been a Police Officer for 19 years and the majority of this time has been working within Neighbourhoods.



Outside of Policing I enjoy fishing, mainly carp, flying my Paramotor, DIY and an occasional bit of cooking as well.

## 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:** South Somerset Neighbourhood Policing

**Twitter:** ASPSouthSom



[www.avonandsomerset.police.uk](http://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](http://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/report)

**To report a crime anonymously,** contact Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or visit [www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)

## NEWS IN YOUR AREA



### A Good News Story!

PCSO's Megan and Beata from the Wincanton Neighbourhood team were in Sparkford on the evening of the 11<sup>th</sup> when they came across a young unresponsive female laying on the pavement. Megan and Beata's quick response to the situation meant that the young girl's parents and ambulance were called and she was taken to Hospital – she made a full recovery.

## LOCAL PRIORITIES

### Anti-Social Behaviour

Following a spike in Anti-Social Behaviour reports over the autumn time of last year, both Somerton and Wincanton Neighbourhood teams have been carrying out additional patrols on foot and in marked vehicles within the hot spot areas.

### Youth Club Work



The Neighbourhood team supports the work of our local Youth Club workers and volunteers and try to attend as often as possible as a way to try and build positive connections with local youths.

### Neighbourhood Watch

The Neighbourhood Watch is about you and your neighbours coming together to help look out for each other. Just a few of the many benefits of being part of a Watch:

- It helps build community spirit and a sense of safety, knowing that others are watching out for you.
- It keeps you up to date with what's going on in your area.
- You may even save money on your home insurance!

To find out how you can join, please speak with your local neighbourhood team.

## Windswept Neighbourhoods

On February 18<sup>th</sup> Storm Eunice was in full effect and taking its toll on our area. Emergency services combined with South Somerset District Council and many kind members of the public all pulled together to assist those without power and with the many downed trees and power cables across all the neighbourhood areas. In such times, it's always nice to see neighbourhoods come together to support each other. If you helped one of our officers by cutting away trees and clearing highways or simply by choosing not to travel and stay safe inside, thank you!



## Upcoming Events

'Meet Us' event details can be found on your local Neighbourhood pages and across our social media.

If you're hosting any events that you'd like the Neighbourhood team to attend, please do contact us!

## School Visits

As part of our Neighbourhood work, the local teams try to attend Schools within their communities as often as possible. Recently PCSOs Ian and Mike attended King Ina to support their 'Topic Outcome' Day.