

Subject RE: Hunt and quad bikes
From Susan Thompson <Susan.Thompson@avonandsomerset.police.uk>
To Councillors <councillors@holford-pc.gov.uk>
Date 06/11/2019 08:10



Good morning mike,

This is a bit of a tricky one!

Basically, if the vehicle is road legal- lights, registration plates etc, then the vehicle is allowed on road. If the registration plate is obscured by mud- (which most of them are, as they are generally farm vehicles) then there is an offence, but there would be a degree of discretion, as if it is fresh mud, it would be difficult to prove the offence, & we have to be realistic in how we deal with it.

As regards passengers, that depends on the insurance, & most quad bikes are built with a double seat, to enable carriage of a passenger.

I know there have been issues regarding firearms, but as long as it is carried within a "sleeve", then again there are no offences.

If you genuinely think there are blatant offences, then report, and/or take photographs, but you must understand that it would not be considered a "priority" call.

I hope this helps!

Regards,

Sue.

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From: Councillors <councillors@holford-pc.gov.uk>
Sent: 05 November 2019 15:22
To: Susan Thompson <Susan.Thompson@avonandsomerset.police.uk>
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Dear Susan

Hema has sent you a copy of the Agenda for our next Council meeting but I wondered if you could help me prior to the meeting. We are having a bit of a problem with the local Stag Hunt but one issue in particular is a bit of an unknown.

What makes using a quad bike by 'hunt supporters' on the public road illegal? We have combinations of unreadable number plates/passengers etc and some guidance would be helpful.

Regards

Mike Copleston

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