



Avon and Somerset Police
NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING

Minehead update

NEWS IN YOUR AREA

July 2022



Anti-Social Behaviour Special

In this issue of the neighbourhood newsletter and in support of ASB week this month's focus is all about ASB

By definition Anti-Social Behaviour is anything that can cause harassment, alarm or distress

Anti-social behaviour should be reported to us in the usual way of 101 for reports or 999 for emergencies or can be reported online. Alternatively, you can attend one of your local neighbourhood surgeries and discuss the problems you are experiencing with a local PCSO Without the reports some anti-social behaviour we will not be aware of and cannot tackle in an appropriate and timely manner

Upcoming Neighbourhood Surgeries

Come along to one of our surgeries where you can talk to one of the Minehead PCSO, this can be about a problem with ASB you are experiencing or one of many other subjects the PCSO's can assist you with

- Monday 25th July – Talking Café, The Beach Hotel 10am-11am
- Tuesday 26th July – Costa Coffee 10am – 11am
- Tuesday 2nd August – Minehead Library 11am – 12pm
- Thursday 11th August – Oasis Café 10am – 11am

We will also be hosting neighbourhood surgeries on weekends which we will promote on social media, if this would be more suitable, please look out for locations



Meet the Parking Buddies

You will see the parking buddies at schools around Minehead, we use them to drive awareness of road safety messages. We were very lucky to have funding provided for these by the high Sheriff. This is just one of the ways we target anti-social driving in the area

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:

MineheadandWestSomersetNeighbourhoodPolicing

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

HOW WE TACKLE ASB



What happens when we receive a report of ASB?

All cases of ASB that are reported to the neighbourhood team will be tackled dependent upon area, extent and frequency of problem?

- Patrols will be increased to drive visibility; this has been proven to act as a deterrent to the cause of the ASB
- Work with partner agencies where a multi-agency solution would be of most benefit
- Distribute ASB diaries to residents so we can be aware of what has been happening and when
- Offer support to anybody who has been affected by the anti-social behaviour
- If there has been a criminal element to the ASB the perpetrators will be held accountable for their actions
- For young people involved in ASB we will work with schools and parents often issuing a community resolution and a suitable consequence of their actions delivered, for example cleaning off graffiti or litter picking
- Referrals made to our ASB team, ASB letters given to the people causing the problems, these range in severity based on the type of ASB and how many times the individual has been involved and can if the problem continues conclude with a criminal conviction, property being seized or restrictions on areas in which an individual can frequent
- For motorists found to be driving anti-socially Section 59's can be issued, first a warning and the second a car seizure order

Crimes for Minehead for the last 28 days

- 30 - Violence Against the Person
- 20 – Theft
- 18 – Public Order Offences
- 7 – Arson and Criminal Damage
- 3 – Vehicle Offences
- 2 – Fraud
- 2 – Sexual Offences
- 1 – Burglary
- 1 – Drug Offences

LOCAL PRIORITIES

ASB in recreation areas

Focussing on graffiti as well as other ASB in our parks and recreation areas

Action: Patrols have been increased especially during the peak times at which we have been told the problems are occurring

Anti-Social Driving

We have had several reports of vehicles being driven in an anti-social manner in the area

Action: Patrols increased in the areas we have reports from, drivers will be issued with section 59's if seen to driving anti-socially. We are also doing speed checks across the area

Drugs

To target and hold responsible those using and supplying drugs in the area

Action: To continue working to gain further information on those responsible for drugs in the Minehead area whilst targeting and holding accountable those we find to be involved

E-Scooters

Action: To continue to engage and educate e-scooter riders in the area. Whether this be ZIPP riders or people to be found using private e-scooters. If people are found to be riding private e-scooters after being spoken to scooters will be