PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

September 2024

General update

There has been a **burglary** in the village, where high value items have been reported as stolen, a similar incident has taken place in a nearby village in Boyd Valley. Both incidents are being looked into by our Investigations team and all enquiries are being made.

We're encouraging residents to consider upgrading their **security** system and should any suspicious activity or behaviour take place, to report it for our awareness and appropriate action to be taken.

We are aware of the **burnt vehicle** on Bury Lane and the circumstances around it. Police doesn't have any grounds to recover this vehicle; I've contacted the Council regarding this, however they might not be able to recover this at the time being either.

In the surrounding villages, in Boyd Valley, there have been a couple reports of **sheds** being broken into and tools stolen, unfortunately there have been no lines of enquiry for us to investigate. Should any high value items be stored in the outbuildings, consider taking the appropriate security measures.

There have been several people that have been falling victims of **fraud** lately across Avon and Somerset, which can be in different forms (investments, dating or romance, courier fraud, phishing texts and email scams, etc.).

Usually, the ones that are falling victims are mostly elderly and those vulnerable and there are concerns that they might not even be aware that they are being scammed.

If you have been a victim or know anyone in the community that might be subject to scammers, it is very important that this is reported as soon as possible to **Action Fraud** for investigation.

We haven't been receiving many reports related to **rural crime** in Boyd Valley lately, but we strongly encourage everyone to report any suspicious activity taking place and if possible, to try and provide as much information as possible to assist with our enquiries.

We encourage local farmers to sign up to the **Farm Watch/ Horse Watch** scheme and if there is any suspicious activity, to report this to us online or 101.

Get in touch

In an emergency, always dial 999

For non-emergency matters, call us on 101 or make an online report via our website www.avonandsomserset.police.uk/report

To report a crime anonymously, contact Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or visit www.crimestoppers-uk.org

Keep up to date

Facebook is a great way to keep up to date with your local Neighbourhood Policing team. We do post about incidents that have taken place, the work we do in the area or any events will be attending. Follow us on: **South Gloucestershire Neighbourhood Policing**

Meet the team

Report every crime; every report helps us to help you. We can't solve an issue if we don't know it's happened. Scan the left for online reporting, scan the right to meet the Neighbourhood Policing team.





Our Neighbourhood Police team covers Boyd Valley (Westerleigh, Codrington, Dodington, Tormarton & West Littleton, Marshfield, Cold Ashton, Doynton, Dyrham & Hinton, Wick & Abson, Pucklechurch and Siston rural), Emersons Green and Lyde Green area and are based at Staple Hill Police Station. We have one Police Constable and four Police Community Support Officers.

Community is at the heart of our policing, and we want to know about any issues or problems that are taking place in our area, in order to be able to keep everyone safe.

We are often out and about in the community, so please do come and speak to us when you see us. Also, if you would like us to attend any community events, please do let us know in advance.



Local priorities

Rural Crime

We urge members of the public to report any incidents of coursing/poaching by calling 999, if the incident it's in progress or reporting via 101 or online after the event

Do not approach those taking part in this activity and do not put yourself at risk, but please try and obtain as much information as possible.

Location (consider WHAT3WORDS), vehicles involved (type, colour), people involved, any dogs or weapons involved.

https://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/report/wildlife-crime/

Anti-social behaviour in Emersons & Lyde Green

Neighbourhood Policing team is actively patrolling and patrolling Emersons Green and Lyde Green areas to reduce the anti-social behaviour taking place.

Please, ensure you report any anti-social behaviour that's taking place in your area and provide as much information as possible.

Vehicle crime

Thieves are looking for unlocked vehicles and things to steal, and are finding easy picking everywhere. Even if you are in a rush, take a moment to check whether you have locked your vehicle, even if you are gone just for a few minutes.

Always remember to remove any valuable items from inside, even if it's locked, criminals don't care and can damage your vehicle.

There have been reports about vans broken into and tools stolen, even if has alarms fitted, most of the time these are not triggered.

Do not leave any high value tools or equipment in your vehicle, in order to avoid becoming a victim of crime.



Walk and Talk

Avon and Somerset have launched an initiative to help combat violence against women and girls (VAWG) called Walk and Talk.

This is open to females aged 18 and above who wish to share their worries or concerns regarding their safety in the local area, they can do this by meeting with a female police officer and/or PCSO to show them those specific areas where they feel unsafe in the community.

This is an opportunity to raise any worries or concerns over your safety in your local area so the police, along with partner agencies, can see what they can do to improve women's safety on our streets.



Come and show us areas where you feel vulnerable or unsafe in your neighbourhood.

Our Walk and Talks are open to women aged 18 and above who wish to share their worries or concerns regarding their safety in their local community with a female police officer or PCSO.

www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/apply/walkandtalk



Scan the QR code to find out more and to apply for a Walk and Talk



Street Safe

StreetSafe is a service that allows you to report safety concerns in the public places without providing your details.

This includes issues like poorly lit streets, abandoned buildings, vandalism, as well as instances where you feel unsafe due to someone following or verbally abusing you.

Please note, StreetSafe is not for reporting crimes or emergencies.

If you witness a crime or emergency, please call the police on 101 or report a crime online. If you are unsure whether something is a crime or not, read our advice.



Whether it's due to environmental reasons, such as poor street-lightning or anti social behaviour or harassment, reports to the app are shared with your local police force and local authorities for action.

Crime statistics recorded in Boyd Valley and Emersons Green area July 2024

Category	Crimes recorded
Anti-social behaviour	15
Bicycle theft	1
Burglary	5
Criminal damage arson	15
Drugs	2
Other theft	7
Possession of weapons	1
Public order	23
Robbery	2
Shoplifting	15
Vehicle crime	8
Violent crime	59
Other crime	4