



Wellington Police Team

Town Council Report – June 2021

What's Been Happening?

During May there were 310 calls to the police from members of the public relating to Wellington which was 21 calls down on the month before.

- In my report to the council last month I spoke about a rise in reports of ASB and criminal damage in the town park and informed the council that my officers were going to be increasing patrols and calling upon the wider police family to assist us in addressing ASB and related issues in this area.

I am pleased to tell you that following a social media appeal 2 x youths came forward and admitted they were responsible for the criminal damage caused to the toilets in the park. Neither of the two youths were previously known to the police and following a full admission from each, with the support of SWaT council and the youth's families both youths were issued with a community resolution (which is a formal disposal). As a consequence of their actions, both youths joined officers from the team last week to carry out a litter pick of the park and the recreation ground.

As a result of the positive action taken by my officers throughout the past month there were no calls to the park during the month of May and no reports of ASB or Criminal Damage. Our increased visibility and targeted patrols of this area will continue throughout the summer months and beyond if needed.

- Last month I informed the council that there had been 4 separate thefts of catalytic converters from vehicles in Wellington during the month of April. My officers have carried out targeted patrols in relation to this, we've also highlighted the issue on our social media pages and encouraged members of the public to be vigilant, we've offered crime prevention advice to a number of vehicle owners too. Whilst the theft of catalytic converters remains a problem in some parts of the Avon and Somerset Constabulary area, I am pleased to say there were no reported catalytic converter thefts in Wellington during the month of May.
- My team carried out a number of community events during May consisting of Bike Marking events, Neighbourhood Surgeries, Schools visits and more. Councillors may have noted the recent posts on our social media pages about the work we've been doing to tackle dangerous and anti-social parking near our schools. We have been using newly acquired Parking Buddies to highlight the problem and have already received an extremely positive response from schools, parents and residents in these areas. This work will continue going forward.
- Last week I created new Beat Posters for the Team, I have sent a copy of the Wellington Town Policing Team Beat poster to Dave and Alice which I sure they will circulate with you all. The posters contain a photo, email address and contact telephone number for each officer. I am very happy for these to be shared with members of the public and displayed anywhere in the community

Wellington Crime Figures from 1st May 2021 – 31st May 2021

The number of Crimes reported and recorded across Wellington during May was 77 which is slightly lower than we saw in April when 81 separate crimes were recorded. When broken down the figures for last month relate to:

Offence Type	May Total	April Total
Assaults against the person	22	22
Malicious Communications	7	10
Harassment / Stalking	9	5
Burglary	3	0
Thefts	6	10
Criminal Damage	8	10
Public Order Offences	11	10
Vehicle Offences	6	7
Sexual Offences	2	5
Drug Offences	1	1
Miscellaneous Offences / Crime against society	2	1

In reviewing all of these crimes I can confirm that there are no other emerging trends, crime patterns or identified crime hotspots.

To End...

As always, if any member of the council or member of the public wishes to discuss any aspect of policing across the wellington area they can contact me directly, my email address is shown below. I will be only happy to help where I can.

For your information and with kind regards

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