

Police Report September 2025

We received a total of 291 calls this month and of these calls 75 crimes were recorded which are broken down into offence groups below. For ease of comparison I've included the same period last year:

September 2025 – Total 75

Offence Group	Crime Count
Violence Against The Person	42
Theft	13
Public Order Offences	12
Arson and Criminal Damage	3
Sexual Offences	2
Burglary	1
Miscellaneous Crimes Against Society	1
Vehicle Offences	1

September 2024 – Total 74

Offence Group	Crime Count
Violence Against The Person	40
Public Order Offences	11
Theft	8
Arson and Criminal Damage	4
Burglary	3
Sexual Offences	3
Vehicle Offences	3
Fraud	1
Robbery	1

I was asked at the last meeting to break down any hate-related crimes within the figures. Of the recorded crimes this month, only two of them were hate-related. One involved racist language being used by a child within a domestic setting and the second was a homophobic comment made by a detainee towards an officer whilst being arrested. I compared this with September of last year where there were 7 hate-related crimes recorded.

Despite the low figures within Wellington, we will continue to monitor tensions amongst all communities and remain fully impartial in our application of the law. Any form of hate crime is unacceptable and we will deal with any such reports positively and proportionately.

We continue to receive reports of suspicious persons and vehicles appearing to be “scoping” properties and buildings in rural locations surrounding Taunton, Wellington and over the Devon border. I would urge people to report any sightings in a timely manner with registration numbers and any CCTV footage so that we can build an intelligence picture and accurately target offenders before they have a chance to commit crime at a later date.

Last weekend I had the privilege of running the policing operation for Wellington Carnival. This is always a fantastic event for the town and another opportunity to engage with people who might not ordinarily see us in the course of our duties. I’m pleased to report that the main event passed without incident and ensured that everyone enjoyed a safe and peaceful evening. There was a small pocket of disorder much later in the night involving a visiting group from outside the town for which we are collating evidence to deal with the identified suspects.

To coincide with the official opening of the Kings Arms Community Hub, I have secured additional funding to continue to support the Youth Independent Advisory Group (IAG) from Court Fields School. This is a key link between the police and local young people and remains the first of its kind in Somerset. I am hoping that other areas will use this as a blueprint so that one day our IAG will be able to represent Wellington on a wider IAG for the county.

If anyone has any questions or enquiries they wish to make with the team, the enquiry office at Wellington Police Station is open from 10am – 2pm on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. We can be contacted via the Avon & Somerset Police website or by calling 101. Alternatively, feel free to stop any one of us whilst we’re out on patrol and we’ll always be happy to speak with you.

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