

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH
Report for July Meeting 2025
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There have been a number of burglaries that have occurred while the residents were away. As the peak holiday periods are approaching, please consider improving your home security if you're leaving your property unoccupied. The attached document gives you tips on things to do and things to avoid while you're away.

- [dear-burglar.pdf](#)

The Home Office has launched its Ninja Sword Surrender and Compensation Scheme, which runs for the entire month of July. Please read the attached document for more information on where these weapons can be handed in across the Avon and Somerset policing area. Please share this on any social media accounts you may have, so we can reach as many residents as possible.

- [month-long-ninja-sword-surrender-.pdf](#)

Video footage and audio from Bob Vylan and Kneecap's performances at Glastonbury Festival on Saturday has been reviewed.

Following the completion of that assessment process we have decided further enquiries are required and a criminal investigation is now being undertaken.

A senior detective has been appointed to lead this investigation.

This has been recorded as a public order incident at this time while our enquiries are at an early stage. The investigation will be evidence-led and will closely consider all appropriate legislation, including relating to hate crimes.

We have received a large amount of contact in relation to these events from people across the world and recognise the strength of public feeling.

There is absolutely no place in society for hate.

Neighbourhood policing teams are speaking with people in their local communities and key stakeholders to make sure anyone who needs us knows that we are here for them.

We hope the work we have carried out, and are continuing to carry out, reassures the public how seriously we are treating Saturday's events.

We politely ask the public refrain from continuing to report this matter to us because an investigation is already taking place.

Two vehicles were stolen from property on Swanshard Lane, Polsham, during the early hours of the 23rd. Unknown offenders stole a Green Land Rover Defender & a Peugeot 107 in Grey; keys were not taken with the vehicles.

Any information, CCTV images, please contact the Police on 101 quoting reference number: 5225174725 stating NHW. Or call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111. Thank you for your support.

- [beating-car-crime-cj019.pdf](#)

We are appealing for witnesses after reports a woman in her early 20s was assaulted before having a bike thrown at her during an incident in Wells. We are appealing to the public to help us identify the man pictured in the attached image who we believe may have information which could help our enquiries into an incident in South Street, Wells, at around 10.20am on Friday 20 June.

The man pictured is described as white, in his 20s, around 5ft 10ins tall, who was wearing a blue T-shirt, black jogging bottoms, a grey beanie hat and Nike Air Jordan trainers and had a silver-framed bike. A witness also reported seeing a man aggressively grab at a woman's clothes before a bike was thrown at her. Following an incident, a woman ran down Guardhouse Lane and was followed by a man a few minutes later. House-to-house enquiries have been carried out and we believe the man will have information which could assist our enquiries. We are also keen to hear from the woman involved as we want to check on her welfare. Call police on 101 quoting reference number 5225172220 or complete our online appeals form.

- [wells-cctv-image.pdf](#)

A car was broken into whilst parked in Burrington Combe, Car Park, Blagdon, around 3:30pm on the 10th. The owner of the white VW Toureg returned to find sports equipment had been stolen from within. Method of entry not advised.

Any information, CCTV images, please contact the Police on 101 quoting reference number: 5225162880 stating NHW. Or call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111. Thank you for your support.

An operation cracking down on unofficial parking companies has been carried out after complaints customers' cars suffered criminal damage and were left with unexplained additional mileage near Bristol Airport. Please see the attached for more information.

- [crackdown-on-unofficial-parking-.pdf](#)

Two vehicles were burnt out on Broad Road, Blagdon, around 1:50am on the 5th. Fire services attended and deemed it to be deliberate ignition of the small 4 door hatchback and a small convertible vehicle. Any information, CCTV images, please contact the Police on 101 quoting reference number: 5225156139 stating NHW. Or call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111. Thank you for your support.

We're joining forces across the country in supporting the National Police Chiefs' Council's (NPCC) 2-Wheel Operation, running from 2–15 June, aimed at reducing the number of motorcyclists, cyclists and e-scooter users killed or seriously injured on our roads. Please see the attached for more information.

- [two-wheel-campaign.pdf](#)

We are issuing an appeal for witnesses and any dashcam footage following a serious collision involving a pedestrian and a motorcycle on the B3151 Meare Road, near Glastonbury, at around 9.58am on Thursday 29 May. The pedestrian got out of a stationary green and yellow John Deere tractor which was towing a trailer before being struck by a green Kawasaki ZX Ninja which was travelling towards Glastonbury. The pedestrian and motorcyclist have both suffered serious injuries and remain in a life-threatening condition this morning. Their next of kin have been informed. The road was closed while an investigation at the scene was carried out and the road reopened at around 8.20pm. We are particularly keen to hear from any witnesses or motorists who have dashcam footage showing the collision or the vehicles involved prior to the collision. If you can help, please call 101 and give the call handler the reference number 5225149275, or complete our online appeals form.

Speeding is one of the most common causes of fatal or serious road collisions.

Please read the attached document which answers any questions you may have about how and why we carry out speed enforcement.

- [speed-enforcement-your-questions-answered.pdf](#)

A barn was broken into on Old Bristol Road, Upper Milton, overnight. The offender/s appear to have accessed via a rear footpath, where the gate lock was cut, they then entered the barn by again cutting through another padlock. Once inside a "Ride On" mower was stolen together with a strimmer and fuel cans. Any information, CCTV images, please contact the Police on 101 quoting reference number: 5225137211 stating NHW. Or call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111. Thank you for your support.

- [securing-your-garden-and-outbuildings.pdf](#)

Several storage units were broken into, in the Easton area outside of Wells. Items stolen include tools and tree surgeon equipment. Investigations are ongoing. Any information, CCTV images, please contact the Police on 101 quoting reference number: 5225135525 stating NHW. Or call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Thank you for your support.