

Neighbourhood Watch Report
March 20th 2025
Cllr Roger Dollins
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Over 35,000 people had their accounts hacked last year as criminals try to steal your personal information, including bank account details. Please see the attached document for information on protecting your social media and email accounts.

- [35-000-account-hackings-reported-in-2024.pdf](#)

The body of a 22-year-old man was recovered from a rhyme near Street last week. A member of the public called police at about 1.45pm on Monday 3 March to report they had found a man's body in water close to Sharpham Drove.

The man has been formally identified as Jack Ayres.

A post-mortem examination has been carried out and the preliminary cause of Jack's death has been recorded as drowning. The examination found no sign of any physical injuries.

We have spoken with Jack's family to understand his movements in the hours leading up to his death. His last known location was when he was walking at about 2.30am on Monday 3 March along Sharpham Drove.

Jack is described as about 6ft tall, with light brown hair and blue eyes. He was wearing dark clothing when last seen.

Jack's family said: "Nothing can put into words how we are all feeling right now. Jack was a much-loved son, grandson, brother, cousin, nephew and boyfriend. We know that nothing will bring Jack back, but we just want to try and understand the lead up to his passing."

Detective Chief Inspector Clement Goodwin said: "Our thoughts are first and foremost with Jack's devastated family.

"We want to do all we can to provide them with as many answers as possible about what happened to their son in the moments leading up to his death, and to do that we have been to nearby properties to seek any relevant CCTV footage.

"The lack of any physical injuries would suggest the circumstances of his death are most likely to be non-suspicious, but we are treating it as unexplained while further enquiries are carried out on behalf of the coroner.

"We would ask any motorists who were travelling in that area during the early hours of Monday 3 March to please check any dashcam footage and come forward if they have something that can assist our enquiries. Any information would be gratefully received as it may be able to help us provide Jack's family with greater clarity around what happened."

If you have any information, please call 101 and quote reference number 5225055350 or contact us online.

The Avon and Somerset Bleed Kit Partnership is a collaboration between the Police, NHS, South Western Ambulance Service and Heartsafe. Together, with local businesses, charities, councils, and community groups we have funded and installed over 500 public access bleed kits throughout the communities of Avon and Somerset. The bleed kits are designed to be used by the untrained person and contain a simple instruction card where assistance can be given to a patient in the precious few minutes of a catastrophic bleed. This could result from falls, traffic collisions, agricultural accidents, crime related injuries, medical episodes and more. The unique red dispenser unit contains a trauma pouch and the cabinet itself is unlocked, therefore granting unrestricted and immediate access.

We want to thank the community in advance for keeping watch on the dispensers and you can report any issues by scanning the QR code on the front of the unit. See our following announcement celebrating the collaboration with the Ambulance service.

[bleed-kits.pdf](#)

I have just received the attached guidance from Trading Standards regarding Rogue Traders. Do please take a moment to view the attached and share with your members where possible.

[rogue-traders.pdf](#)

We're inviting burglary victims to view a collection of seized property believed to have been stolen from across Somerset and north Devon. Around 400 items were recovered during a lengthy investigation and officers are trying to identify their rightful owners. Please see the attached PDF for more information.

[seized-property.pdf](#)

Do you recognise this van? We have reason to believe this van has been involved in rural crime across Somerset. The vehicle has now been seized by police however we need your help to track down who may have been using it. Have you seen it in your local area? If so, please get in contact via 101 quoting 5224325444

[red-van.pdf](#)

A shed and a barn were subject of attempted theft on Swans hard Lane, Wells, on the 14th at 2:20am. The 3 male suspects failed to gain entry to either building but then proceeded to open a door on a lorry, where it appears nothing was stolen from within. The suspects made off in a vehicle towards the junction of Wookey. Any information, CCTV images, please contact the Police on 101 quoting reference number: 5225010975 stating NHW. Or call Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111. Thank you for your support.

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