

# FROME RURAL NORTH

Neighbourhood Policing Report April - June 2021

# Contents

FROME RURAL NORTH	. 1
Introduction	. 3
Map	. 3
Neighbourhood Crime statistics	. 3
Recorded Crime Stats: Frome Rural North Neighbourhood	
Local Parish Neighbourhoods	. 4
Beckington	. 4
Berkley	. 4
Coleford	. 4
Great Elm and Mells	. 4
Hemington and Hardington	. 4
Holcombe	
Kilmersdon	. 4
Leigh on Mendip	. 4
Norton St. Philip	. 5
Rode	. 5
Current PACT priorities	. 6
Poaching	. 6
Last action:	. 6
Fly-Tipping	. 6
Last action:	. 6
Theft / Non Dwelling Burglary	. 6
Last action:	. 6
Your Neighbourhood Policing Team Contact Details:	. 7
The next Rural PACT meeting	. 7
Social Media	. 7
Neighbourhood Policing Team Web Pages	. 7

### Introduction

The following report outlines the neighbourhood crime statistics for Frome Rural North (AE017) for the months of April, May and June 2021. It the details each local parish neighbourhood separately to help give the most relevant information for each village. It also details the PACT priorities set by the public, police and partner agencies at the previous meeting held on the 20th January 2020. The beat includes the villages and rural community North of Frome.

Due to Covid-19, we have been unable to hold a more recent public meeting. In order to keep our Policing priorities reflective of demand, we receive the rural beat team has added fly-tipping as a new priority. We are committed to focusing our efforts on priorities set by the public and hope we will hold in person meetings soon and have are priorities set by the public.

### Map



# **Neighbourhood Crime statistics**

### Recorded Crime Stats: Frome Rural North Neighbourhood

Below are the crime statistics for Frome Rural North. *The latest neighbourhood Crime statistics / recorded crime from Apr, May and Jun are as follows;* 

Arson and Criminal Damage	25
Burglary	9
Drug Offences	1
Miscellaneous and Crimes Against Society	1
Public Order	14
Theft	23
vehicle crime	3

# Local Parish Neighbourhoods

# Beckington

	Totals	05/21	06/21
Arson and Criminal Damage	2	2	-
Public Order Offences	1	-	1
Theft	3		3

# Berkley

	Totals	04/21	05/21	06/21
Arson and Criminal Damage	1	-	1	- 0
Burglary	1	-	-	1
Drug Offences	1	-	-	1
Theft	8	2	4	2
Vehicle Offences	1			1

### **Buckland Dinham**

	То	04/	05/	
Theft if not classified elsewhere	2	1	1	

### Coleford

	Totals	04/21	05/21	06/21
Arson and Criminal Damage	3	-	1	2
Public Order Offences	1	-	1	-
Sexual Offences	1	1	-	-
Theft	2	1	1	-
Vehicle Offences	1	-	-	1
Violence Against The Person	8	3	4	1

### **Great Elm and Mells**

	Totals	04/21	05/21	06/21
Arson and Criminal Damage	4	-	3	1
Crime Related Incident	1	1	-	-
Public Order Offences	3	-	1	2
Violence Against The Person	3	-	2	1

# Hemington and Hardington

	Totals	05/21	06/21
Burglary	1	-	1
Public Order Offences	1	-	1
Theft	1	-	1
Violence Against The Person	3	1	2

# Holcombe

	Totals	04/21	05/21	06/21
Burglary	1	-	-	1
Violence Against The Person	4	1	2	1

### Kilmersdon

	Totals	04/21	05/21	06/21
Arson and Criminal Damage	6	6	-	-
Burglary	1	-	1	-
Public Order Offences	2	2	-	-
Violence Against The Person	2	1	-	1

# Leigh on Mendip

	Totals	04/21	05/21	06/21
Burglary	1	1	-	-
Public Order Offences	1	-	1	-
Theft	1	1	-	-
Violence Against The Person	3	1	1	1

# Norton St. Philip

	Totals	04/21	05/21	06/21
Arson and Criminal Damage	2	1	1	-
Burglary	1	1	-	-
Miscellaneous Crimes Against Society	1	1	-	-
Public Order Offences	1	1	-	-
Theft	3	2	1	-

# Rode

	Totals	04/21	05/21	06/21
Arson and Criminal Damage	4	1	2	1
Sexual Offences	1	-	-	1
Theft	1	-	-	1
Violence Against The Person	1	1	-	-

# **Current PACT priorities**

### **Poaching**

Gamekeepers and the farming community are often those most affected by, or are witness to rural crime. They provide the eyes and the ears of the countryside and often suffer the consequences of rural crime. Poaching can lead to several animal welfare issues, severe loss of income from the illegal taking of game and the damage, which many offenders carry out to farmland in the process of carrying out these crimes. Poachers are usually involved with many other rural crimes as well. As landowners and gamekeepers, please remain vigilant and report anything suspicious on 999 emergency or 101 non-emergency. Any intelligence you can provide to us references poaching /rural crime would be much appreciated by your rural beat team. Useful free app regarding poaching is now available at <a href="https://www.projectpoacher.com">www.projectpoacher.com</a>

#### Last action:

Recently we have seized catapults and ball-Barings from poaches who were using them to take game birds. Please take care to secure field entrances to reduce the means of access for poachers.

A continuation of our high visibility patrols were carried out last night. Police from Somerset and Wilshire have worked together to cover as many farms and rural properties as we could keeping them safe and free of poachers.

### Fly-Tipping

Fly-tipping is still prevalent in the lanes surrounding Frome. Regular patrols both during the day and after dusk are carried out. We encourage anyone who is hiring private waste disposal for garden or building waste, to check the contractor has a waste carriers license. Do your bit to prevent your waste ending up on your lanes. If your contractor can not show you a waste carriers license and is offering waste removal please report them to trading standards and the Police on 101.

Where practically possible, lock and block your gates and field entrances. Logs, boulders and ditches can all help prevent access to the fields.

#### Last action:

Frome Neighbourhood Police are working closely with Mendip District Council to use complementary powers to crack down on fly-tipping. Joint patrols will be carried out over the next few weeks to target those who dump waste illegally in the lanes. During an emergency response, the Frome Neighbourhood Police have been deployed to support the Fire Service to tackle Fly-tip fires. All agencies have been proactively working together to reduce the demand placed on emergency resources as a result made available to keep the wider community safe.

# Theft / Non Dwelling Burglary

It was agreed to add Theft and Non-Dwelling to our PACT priorities following an increase in incidents. We have already conducted night-time economy patrols targeted to the locations and times of the non-dwelling on the Frome rural North beat. For the more vulnerable victims, we have some crime prevention and security products we can issue such as locks and window alarms. In addition, we now have burglary packs to give out following break-ins. The beat team want to encourage all victims to report to help us respond appropriately.

#### Last action:

Over the last month, we have seen a slight increase in rural thefts. We would like to encourage the public to ensure crime prevention methods are put in place to reduce the likelihood you become victims.

https://www.immobilise.com/ is the UKs property register. We advise that all power tools and farming equipment with a serial number are registered to you on here. When Police recover stolen items, it can help us to return the property to the victims.

A continuation of our high visibility patrols was carried out last night. Police from Shepton and Frome worked together to cover as many farms and rural properties as we could keeping them safe.

### Your Neighbourhood Policing Team Contact Details:

#### Neighbourhood Officer – PC 2673 David Cohen

David.Cohen@avonandsomerset.pnn.police.uk,

#### PCSO Supervisor – 7118 Stephen Reading

Stephen.Reading@avonandsomerset.police.uk

#### PCSO 9011 Russell Ford

Russell.ford@avonandsomerset.police.uk

Just a reminder not to report any crime using the neighbourhood policing team contact details, as it cannot be guaranteed that we are on duty at that time.

In the event of an emergency,
Please dial 999
for non – emergencies 101.

### The next Rural PACT meeting

Unfortunately all Face to Face interactions including PACT and Beat meetings have been suspended due to the social distancing restrictions. In order to continue our communication with the community we are relying on social media as an alternative to face to face meetings. Please see below for details.

#### Social Media

Follow us on Facebook under Frome Neighbourhood Policing or Twitter @ASPMendip and our Neighbourhood web Pages to keep up to date on policing actions and raise concerns or questions.

#### Neighbourhood Policing Team Web Pages

The PACT priorities can be seen on the Frome Rural South pages on the force website -www.avonandsomerset.police.uk and clicking onto your area.

You can also find out useful local information such as our Neighbourhood, Farm and Horse Watch Schemes, local crime statistics and information about your local police station.