



Avon and Somerset Police
NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING

Kingswood and Woodstock

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

27th March 2025

General Update

Issues Raised last month

Kings Chase Shopping Centre/Regent Street – Theft/ASB - One of our constant issues we often have is with shop theft and anti-social behaviour within and around the shopping Centre. The statistic the last two months suggest that the amount of offending is down, but we know that much more goes on that is not reported. We've been working closely with the staff at the shopping centre to try and stop a frequent person who's being committing offences at the shopping centre. The team have also been conducting regular high visibility patrols in the area to deter offenders. One offender was recently caught by the team and was arrested and dealt with for multiple offences. We're continuing to conduct our patrols in the area and liaise with the staff and management for the shopping centre to try and deter crime and ASB as much as possible.

Issues Raised this month

The Lucas Building, Moravian Road – Over the past month, we've seen a rise in calls from members of the public, who've witnessed youths entering the Lucas Building. It is believed this is due to some attention the site has got on social media of late. As a response to this issue, we've attended the site with the owners and highlighted our concerns to them. We're also liaising with South Gloucestershire Council regarding the issue. Since this, security at the site has increased, and at present, our calls to the site have been decreasing. We will continue to monitor this, particularly as the weather is improving.

Community Engagement

Over the last month, we conducted a beat surgery over the past month at Kings Chase Shopping Centre, which was a lovely opportunity to engage with the local residents.

The entire team conducted two speed watch events with the mini-police cadets at The Park Primary School. We monitored the speed of traffic on Hanham Road, where the cadet's offered education to those who were stopped for speeding. These were two fantastic days, and we look forward to doing this again in the future.

We also attended the Kingswood Community Engagement Forum, whereby we were able to update local counsellors and residents on the work we've been conducting in the area, and answer any questions.

Business Engagement

Regent Street and Kings Chase Shopping Centre have the most footfall on the beat. The PCSO's conduct regular targeted patrols in the area to deter crime and ASB, as well as amazing opportunities to meet members of the local community.

Crime Statistics for February 2025:

Arson and Criminal damage	10 offences
Burglary	2 offences
Drug Offences	1 offence
Miscellaneous crimes against society	2 offences
Possession of Weapons	1 offence
Public order offences	8 offences
Robbery	3 offences
Sexual offences	7 offences
Theft	18 offences
Vehicle offences	13 offences
Violence against the person (This includes harassment and malicious communications)	54 offences

Useful Contacts

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Police Constable 2011 Aaron Ashforth

Police Constable 383 Jack Withers

Police Community Support Officer 7837 Kay Rees

Police Community Support Officer 7115 Christian Abbott

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