



Severn Vale & Pilning APRIL 2026

Neighbourhood Policing Update

We would like to keep residents updated with a brief overview of recent activity and the work being carried out to keep our communities safe.

Local Crime Overview

Over the past month, most recorded offences remain concentrated in two areas: violence against the person and theft.

Violence-related incidents are the most commonly reported; however, these are often lower-level disputes or incidents between people known to each other, rather than random offences.

Theft offences are the next most frequent and are typically opportunistic, such as items being left insecure.

A small number of incidents relate to public order and vehicle offences, while burglary, criminal damage, drug offences, and possession of weapons remain low in number.

Overall, this suggests that crime levels remain stable, with no significant or emerging concerns locally.

Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)

In April, there were 12 reported ASB incidents across Severn Vale & Pilning.

These included:

- General anti-social behaviour – 4
- Nuisance-related ASB – 4
- Personal ASB (targeted behaviour) – 3
- Environmental ASB – 1

Most reports relate to low-level nuisance issues, such as noise, minor disputes, or inconsiderate behaviour. Incidents are spread evenly, with no single issue dominating.

Wider Police Activity Supporting Your Area

Alongside local patrols, Avon and Somerset Police continue to carry out proactive work across the wider force area:

- Targeting criminal activity:
Recent multi-agency action with Trading Standards and HMRC led to the seizure of thousands of illegal cigarettes and associated vehicles, helping protect local businesses and disrupt organised crime.
 - Supporting young people:
Officers are taking part in a national knife crime week of action, including the delivery of the *Blunt Truth* programme in schools to help young people make safer choices and understand risks.
 - Tackling anti-social behaviour:
A new force-wide ASB strategy is focused on early intervention, targeted patrols, and improved support for victims, ensuring issues are addressed before they escalate.
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Reassurance and Local Priorities

There is no indication of any significant rise in crime or ASB, and overall levels remain relatively low for the area.

Your local neighbourhood policing team continues to:

- Carry out visible patrols in key areas
 - Focus on preventing theft and reducing ASB
 - Work with partners to resolve concerns quickly
 - Engage with the community to provide reassurance and support
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Working Together

Residents play an important role in keeping the area safe. Simple measures such as securing property and reporting concerns help us respond effectively.

If you have any concerns or information, please continue to contact your neighbourhood policing team.

Your Neighbourhood Policing Team – Severn Vale & Pilning

Your local policing team is here to support residents, address concerns, and provide a visible and reassuring presence across the community.

Meet the Team

- Inspector Stephen Baines – Neighbourhood Inspector
- Sergeant Polly Tucker – Neighbourhood Sergeant
- PC Marc Maddox – Neighbourhood Constable
- PCSO Paula Perry – Police Community Support Officer

The team works closely with residents, parish councils, and partner agencies to tackle local priorities such as anti-social behaviour, rural crime, and theft.

Meet Your Local Officers (Upcoming Events)

Residents are encouraged to come along and speak with officers at local “Talk to Us” events:

- Saturday 6 June 2026 – Talk to Us Event
- Monday 8 June 2026 – Beat Surgery (Alveston)
- Saturday 4 July 2026 – Talk to Us Event

Please see the website for further details.

These sessions are a great opportunity to:

- Raise concerns
 - Get crime prevention advice
 - Meet your local officers face-to-face
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Get in Touch

You can contact your neighbourhood team via:

- 101 (non-emergency)
 - Online via the Avon and Somerset Police website
 - In person at local events and surgeries
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Working Together

Your feedback helps shape local policing priorities. By working together, we can continue to keep Severn Vale & Pilning a safe, welcoming, and well-supported community.