

Appendix A

Background information on the Area Community Safety Action Panel and Neighbourhood Police team.

The **Area North Community Safety Action Panel (ANCSAP)** is one of four panels in South Somerset, and is part of the structure of the Mendip and South Somerset Crime Reduction Partnership.

The collective aims of the partners to the ANCSAP are to:

- Reduce crime and the fear of crime in Area North
- Be easily accessible by local people
- Identify local issues and themes by consulting widely with local people
- Be an effective link for community safety information between parishes and the relevant agencies
- To have an action plan in which the panel can have a significant role in influencing or addressing local issues

The panel is made up of representatives from the statutory agencies including, Avon and Somerset Constabulary, Somerset County Council, South Somerset District Council, Yarlington Housing Group, Devon and Somerset Fire & Rescue Service, Somerset Primary Care Trust and from time to time representatives of community-led Local Action Groups.

The panel's work is hosted by South Somerset District Council, which supports the creation of the action plan, and arrangements for communications, consultation and workshops, to support the work of the panel.

Notes of meetings, terms of reference and the current Action Plan can be viewed on-line at <http://www.southsomerset.gov.uk/community-safety/our-community-safety-partnership/area-action-panels-/area-north/an-notes-and-agendas>

Neighbourhood Policing within South Somerset is co-terminus with the SSDC area structure, within the Somerset East district of Avon and Somerset Constabulary.

Each of the four South Somerset areas has a Sergeant who leads a team of Beat Managers, PCSOs, Specials and Volunteers to work with partners and the community dealing with local issues relating to crime and anti-social behaviour.

The Avon and Somerset website has an extensive range of information including crime prevention, crime statistics and contact details for the Neighbourhood Policing team. <http://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk>

The following link will go to the page for all Area North beats:

<http://www.avonandsomerset.police.uk/LocalPages/PersonProfile.aspx?pid=1715&t=2&lid=20>