

## Appendix 8. Safety & Security

**Below are additional comments made in relation to the Safety & Security section of Wiveliscombe Community Plan Consultation March to May**

**For respondents who mentioned being victims of crime we asked 'what was the nature of the crime?':**

- Attempted entry into house [North street]- 2017
- Criminal damage
- Broken window at shop/cyber attack
- Burglary
- Cyber crime - trolling - hate crime, online via Kingsmead, 2021
- Theft from a shed
- Outbuildings broken into
- Shoplifting
- tyres slashed in car park
- stray animal hit my van breaking bodywork
- Domestic burglary
- Harrasment
- Tyres slashed in west road opposite the Rec
- Dog bite in wiveliscombe
- Teenagers kicked a ball through a window, probably 2020, in church street
- Theft of doorbell and pumpkins from my front garden.
- theft of bicycle
- I reported a matter and I was told it was a civil matter. I thought they would have done more
- Damage to our car on 2 separate occasions

**For respondents who mentioned being aware of vandalism we asked 'what was the nature of the vandalism?':**

- Graffiti
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- Damage to property
- Local park
- Stealing pumpkins
- around the pool benches were moved / upended/damaged
- toilets, recreation ground
- Damage to play equipment, graffiti
- Petty vandalism Langley cross book swap Vandalism at the rec /pool
- Pavilion, Road signs painted, toilets.
- Slashed tyres
- Public toilets vandalised
- Broken shop window
- petty damage, graffiti, public toilet damage
- Gardens trampled
- Theft
- Damage made on purpose to the pavilion on the rec.
- Building belonging to the local pheasant shoot was damaged. Spray paint tags in town centre.
- Public toilets
- Stone wall pulled apart on dog poo lane

**For respondents who mentioned being aware of vandalism we asked 'what was the nature of the vandalism?' Cont:**

- A large window deliberately smashed.
- tyres slashed in car park,
- Graffiti
- Mindless kids using church after school as a meeting place - also churchyard - intimidating elderly visiting graves
- My son who lives in Wivey had his tyres cut in the night and I had to put his new tyres on my credit card. There were reports of broken glass in the toddler playground for a while which stopped me and my grand daughter playing there for a bit, but we do now - its the best playground in the area
- Toilets and rec
- Fly tipping
- Vandalism to the mens toilets in North Street
- The toilets
- Wivey Pool
- As above
- Cars damaged
- Toilet block vandalism
- Damage to Art and park seating
- Damage to older person's wall - caused distress and insecurity. Theft of knitted/crocheted Christmas decorations very sad
- Graffiti. Toilets were vandalised. Broken equipment in the Rec. Car damage generally.
- Smashed Windows
- Vandalising mens toilets, bus shelter books all stolen, stealing the yarn bombers work. Hope the horrors have been caught
- Car damage and graffiti
- Graffiti
- Damage to school & property in Wivey
- Removing yarn bombing from The Square
- Problems at the tennis club/swimming pool
- tyres slashed
- Recreation Ground grandstand. Car tyres slashed golden Hill and Hauling Way
- Public toilets
- air let out of tyres
- car tyres let down/damaged
- stolen jams. Sign Posts
- the removal of the Xmas Pillar Box 'hat' - one because a mini masterpiece. Otherwise Wivey is great
- Tyre slashing, graffiti on cars. window smashing
- Public toilets
- Often it's not a big deal - teenagers being bored and destructive
- Community Centre smashed windows
- Graffiti - it seems to be increasing
- Theft of hanging baskets
- Theft of yarn bombing displays from the post box
- Someone else reported it

**For respondents who mentioned being victims of antisocial behaviour we asked ‘what was the nature of the antisocial behaviour?’:**

- Unruly teenagers bullying others
- Teenagers using offensive language , poor behaviour ( trying to intimidate people). From my experience it is always the same group, who are well known within Wivey, who police know about but they still continue to make some families lives miserable ( I know of 2 families who moved due to the behaviour of this group)
- Youths in the town square being absolute nobheads
- Large groups of teens shouting expletiffs
- abusive tenants
- dog mess left outside my gate, on pavements in town, trodden into my carpet. Cat mess all over my garden. Smelly bonfires in the summer on hot days when the windows are open and the washing is out
- Burning of refuse material on building sites. Absolutely no help from police, who think that sort of complaint is a joke. Also noise from businesses on Saturdays and Sundays and evenings - we'll do as we like.
- My daughter had lewd comments from guys on the street my son from older people who didn't like skateboarding
- fly tipping
- Treats left out for Halloween stolen
- C S Officer contacted the family who had spat on me
- Some Young people being a pain as they have nothing to do
- The placing of a chain and padlock on a gate specifically to obstruct passage of a neighbour who uses an eletric buggy. It has subsequently been removed following a visit by a reporter from. local newspaper
- Egg thrown at bedroom window
- Loud music from Bear Inn
- Noise from the Bear and it's customers sometimes in the early hours
- Drunk loud youths in the Rec in the early hours of the morning.
- Threatening phone call
- Reported to Town Council

**For respondents who stated they do not believe the Parish is adequately policed we asked for suggestions below that would improve the policing’:**

- More police presence
- More obvious presence of Policing/ community support officer
- More Police available, but not possible with continual cuts to funding
- More presence within the community ( although I appreciate staffing restrictions may prevent this)
- More visible police patrol
- More frequent visual presence of law enforcement
- Actually seeing a police officer.
- Seems to be very few police around, as in most rural areas it is all about cost benefit analysis.
- Never see police in Wivey or police cars around.
- Would like to see the return of a bobby on the beat. See walking around
- Bobby on the beat
- More patrols, police station /counter
- Regular evening patrols in the summer to reduce the small amount of noisy antisocial behaviour particularly in the recreation ground.

**For respondents who stated they do not believe the Parish is adequately policed we asked for suggestions below that would improve the policing' Cont:**

- Having a local Bobby again
- More police involvement in general.....
- More police about in the evenings being visible, especially talking to groups of youths hanging about
- Police on foot.
- A road traffic officer to tackle speeding.
- Very poor visibility of police in the area. I rarely see a police car. Some individuals think they can get away with anything.
- Police presence more often.
- more police patrol cars & parking wardens
- education about dog mess and bonfires, the effects of late night noise and 'nudging' to improve behaviour.
- Visible evidence of visiting police around the town not just in the Community Centre once a week
- I have scarcely seen the police in town but it is pleasantly peaceful
- Could do with a contactable, community policeman/ woman
- We need a local police house and a local police officer who is visible on the streets
- More details police presence
- More visible
- A regular police presence. There is a car par space provided
- More police out and about in the town
- Having more local police
- More police? A station back in the town and a local Bobby?
- More Community S access
- More frequent police presence. Accessibility to PC SO more often and in private.
- CSOs could attend local community hubs (e.g. the regular voluntary coffee mornings in the churches)
- Occasional police presence
- Bring back the police station
- Police presence (on foot) occasionally
- Increase patrols
- More regular police presence
- more presence so they worry about being caught
- Uniformed officers walking on patrol
- More police presence at various times
- We need a resident police man or woman as in the past
- Occasional walk arounds
- More visits from Beat Officers
- More personal approach so it's known to be around
- More police presence at night and pub/clubs chucking out time.
- More visibility

- **Additional comments on any aspect of safety and security locally**

- Generally this seems a very safe area. There are some 'wild' drivers racing about country lanes in evenings and parking, especially on double yellow lines is a huge problem. There are some areas that might have better public street lights.
- I don't want to organise as very busy at work but I would volunteer to help
- Feeling safe is my biggest concern in Wivey
- I have very supportive neighbours - there is a real sense of community
- I think local, planning processes have failed the Sandys Moor and Mill Lane/ Bishop's Palace areas as they have allowed mixed residential and Industrial zones, leading to problems with noise pollution and traffic. I'm sure business people on the Parish Council thought it a good idea to push industrial expansion towards Sandys Moor (away from their areas presumably), but now it will come back to bite them, as the residential areas are growing. I do hope the new arrangements for the Unitary Council, will stop this petty-minded and pure Wiveliscombe yokels attitude.
- I would like less street lighting to see the stars.
- Ways to help neighbours link up is so good. We all watch out for each other here in Russells
- Please turn street lighting off at midnight
- Street lighting isn't adequate Maundown
- The street lighting is adequate but it look horrible
- This is a conservation area! The lampposts, signage, bus shelter, benches etc are 70s crap
- Drug use in Northgate. Violent shouting, intimidating behaviour by some residents.
- We have one of the lowest crime levels in the country
- Too much street lighting disturbs sleep - please can we turn off the lights at night!!
- In a small town like Wivey safety and security is primarily built through community wellbeing and not more cameras and lights. Night street lights are damaging for wildlife and environment
- Street lighting not adequate Hauling Way beyond RGB's
- A locked gate - our access to Silver Street, as stated on our deeds, has been denied to us by Grandthistle who manage the Maltings. We have been subject to harassment
- more street lighting Hauling Way
- Plain Pond Street lights very dark despite new lighting
- street lights should be off by midnight
- I don't want to be a snitch and spend my life curtain twitching. There needs to be a cool place for the youth to hang out. But sadly the Rec seems to be the place for drug taking and drinking at night.
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