If you think a crime may be in progress, about to happen or that offenders are still nearby - regardless of the time of day or night - call **999**.

When reporting a crime please call the following numbers:

General enquires number and crime reporting 101

OR

In case of emergency 999.

Or

CRIME STOPPERS on 0800 555 111

Your call cannot be traced and you will not be asked your name.

For more information and for more advice on all the above and much more Please visit

www.avonandsomerset.police.uk

Good evening to you all in Ilminster. The Beat Team, of Ilminster, has as usual been kept busy with the normal happenings of a Town this size. The good news is that we now have two new Beat Managers for Ilminster at last. I would like to say welcome to PC 756 Richard MILTON and PC 1922 Lisa Davies. Both already know the area due to time spent on response. I know they are both very keen to help make Ilminster the best Policed area possible and I look forward to working with them. Another PCSO is also likely to be joining us before the years end to replace Steve. This month also saw us say good bye to our long serving Neighbourhood Sergeant Rod Jameson, but we have a new Sergeant already in place Sgt 4784 George FLINT. I know George well and can assure you he is very keen and will drive us all forward in the right direction.

Our crime stats for the area can be found on our website under Ilminster. I would always like to reassure you that Ilminster still remains a very low crime rate area for the size of the town. This is as much down to yourselves being vigilant and reporting suspicious incidents and passing us good intelligence. Please continue to stay alert and think about security.

I hate already mentioning Xmas but, it is a time now where people start buying presents and getting an increase in deliveries. Please be security conscious and try and avoid having parcels left in view of others who may like them.

Now that the weather is changing and the days getting shorter it is a great time to check your lights and tyres on your modes of transport. We are always amazed at the number of cars with lights not fully working and number of push bikes without lights.

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The Ilminster carnival was well policed, albeit by officers from other areas, but non the less it went well with no real problems to report. Halloween is soon upon us and hopefully it will be in good spirits as it always has been in Ilminster. The local shops will be encouraged on what not to sell to children.

Thank you and good evening from Ilminster Beat Team.