

## Exmoor Panel Report March 2022

- 1) We now have another member of our Exmoor Team. Michelle HAIMES, is an experienced PCSO, who previously worked in South Somerset. She is a great asset to us on the Exmoor beat.
- 2) Road Safety event on 31<sup>st</sup> January - The Exmoor team were one part of the organising group for this, with some great leadership from Rev David Weir, and family members who had been directly involved in recent tragedies. Over 130 people attended the event, and we hope that the strong messages about safety will have been taken in by all there. We believe that event to have been a great success.
- 3) Beat surgeries. We are holding regular surgeries in Porlock, Timberscombe, Dulverton at Fishers Mead. We are attending Cutcombe Market regularly to aid us in engaging with our farmers, and more rural communities. We will be planning further engagement sessions starting with one on 2<sup>nd</sup> April at Brompton Regis, a further one in Dunster and a Cycle Marking event in Dulverton. These all be advertised in the newsletter and on social media. We are also making efforts to attend various Parish Council meetings. Please follow us on facebook Minehead and West Somerset Neighbourhood Policing.
- 4) As the spring starts, we have in previous years seen an increase in rural thefts. We urge everyone to think about their security, and report anything suspicious to police. We are happy to visit and offer advice.
- 5) Deer Poaching has just started to become noticeable again, and we will be doing patrols regarding this problem. We will also be working with ENP and Devon and Cornwall police again, and sharing information as we fight this issue. We ask for as much information as possible from all members of the public. We will shortly be giving out poaching sign to targeted farms.