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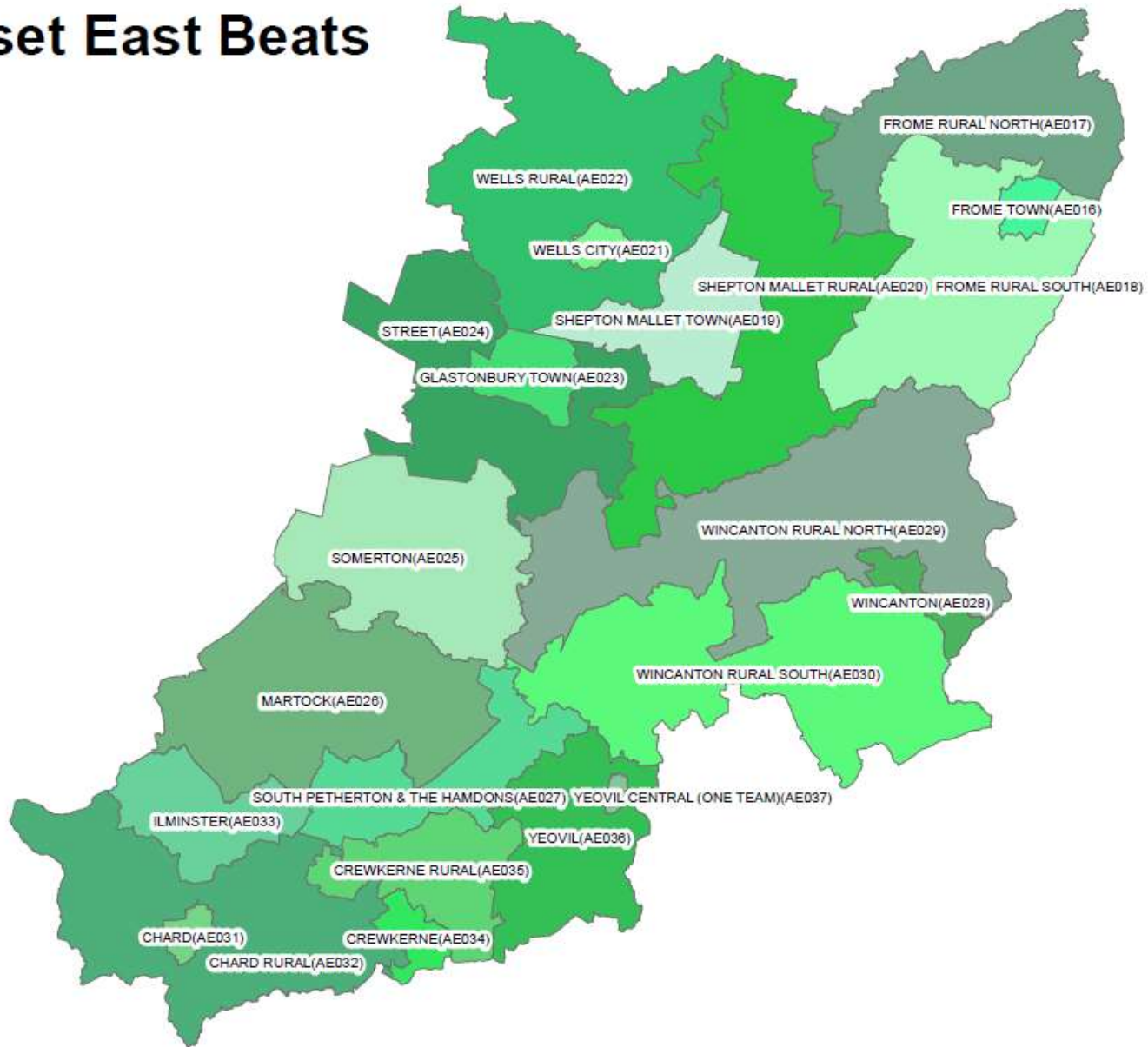
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# Somerset East Local Policing Area

## Somerset East Beats



# PCC Priorities

- Protect the most vulnerable from harm
- Strengthen and improve your Local Policing Teams
- Ensure Avon and Somerset Constabulary has the right people, right equipment and right culture
- Work together effectively with other police forces and key partner agencies to provide better services to local people



# Demand

- 59,219 calls for service in 2016 across East Somerset
- This has increased by 10.7% against the previous year
- 24.6% of calls are crime related
- Crime related calls increased by 82% compared to previous 12 months
- 101 abandoned call rate currently only 4.2% (improved by 6%pts over previous months)



# Changing Demand

- Improved crime recording standards resulting in increased crime recording
- Public Safety/Welfare accounts for 33% of all demand across East Somerset in 2016
- Modern slavery
- Mental health
- Vulnerability
- Safeguarding



# A day in the life of East Somerset's Local Policing demand

- 159 Incidents reported to our call centre in 24 hrs
- 45 reported crimes
- 6 Domestic Abuse crimes
- 12 ASB calls for service
- 2 Missing Persons
- 1 Dwelling Burglary





# Rural Crime

- 157 Rural Crimes recorded throughout South Somerset for 2016
- Partnership working
- Tracked asset deployment
- Farm and Horse Watch schemes
- Livestock theft
- Text service - **81819**



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- “One” Teams adopt a focussed community based approach
- Partnership working – each team working with over 20 partner agencies
- Early Intervention
- Shared Intelligence
- Target the cause of locations, offenders and victims



## Successes of One Teams

- ASB injunctions removing persistent offenders from Yeovil town centre
- Closure of premises related to drug dealing activities
- Reduction in calls for service (10%) and shoplifting (35%) in Yeovil
- Several drug dealers in Chard forced to leave the area and banned from the County

# County Lines – Operation Hazel

- A total of 88 arrested, 69 of which convicted or awaiting sentence across Somerset to date
- Targeted disruption of organised drug gangs
- Overt and covert methods deployed
- 25 search warrants obtained and executed throughout East Somerset
- 22 people with sufficient evidence to charge
- 16 already arrested, 15 of which pleaded guilty
- 9 have been sentenced with 6 receiving a 2-6 year sentence
- During arrest stage, a further 13 people were arrested for other offences



# Yeovil Police Station Closure



Mobile Policing



Detainee Transport Solution



Co-location with Fire Service



Enquiry office still available



Closure of custody centre



Local Policing remains unaffected

# Innovations

- Body Worn Cameras
- New crime recording system enabling development toward mobile working
- Specialist Digital Media Investigations team
- Call back system reducing wait times for 101 callers
- Partnership approach
- Delivering savings with minimum affect on deliverable services



# Visibility and accessibility....



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