

Report from PC Samuel McDermott

(Bude Neighbourhood Beat Manager)

Hello,

I am the temporary Bude Neighbourhood beat manager and have been working in the neighbourhood team since September 2022 and have taken over the Bude role while a permanent replacement can be found for Pc Jessop. When this happens I will resume my role in the neighbourhood team working as a dedicated problem solver for the Bude, Camelford and surrounding rural areas within the Launceston Policing sector. I have worked in Policing for over 15 years across Cambridgeshire Constabulary as a Police staff member, the Metropolitan Police as a constable and transferring to Devon and Cornwall Police in 2020.

Bude Police station front office has reopened recently giving the opportunity to report issues to dedicated Police Enquiry Office staff. As well as being a place for vulnerable persons to seek haven.

However, the quickest way in my personal experience of reporting non-urgent crime / intelligence is to go on the Devon and Cornwall website (www.devon-cornwall.police.uk) and fill in the online relevant form.

In November 2022 Devon and Cornwall Police upgraded their computer systems which has led to difficulties across the force. However, things are now improving as staff are being upskilled in the new procedures.

Sgt Jon Stutley has now been promoted to a substantive sergeant and is remaining in post as the Neighbourhood Team leader. While the Sector Inspector is Julian Morris.

The crime rates in Bude Rural area remain very low and crime figures available here: [Bude Rural | Police.uk \(www.police.uk\)](http://www.police.uk). However, our new IT system does not seem to be uploading new data since November last year.