

# The Main Challenges we face in North & West Devon are:-



## Protecting Vulnerable People

This is not just an urban Phenomenon, From the young to old, crimes against the vulnerable in society are often hidden by isolation and remoteness of rural landscape.



## Road Safety

North and West Devon has a significant rural road network and ensuring our roads are safe for all is a key priority.



## Serious & Organised Crime

The potential rewards, combined with remoteness of rural communities provide fertile ground for organised criminal groups.



## Hunting & Game Sports

To work with rural communities effectively in dealing with illegal hunting and games sports, whilst facilitating legal activity to continue.



## Rural Community Crime

Some types of Crime and anti-social behaviour are not bounded to geography and impact in rural areas as much as they do in urban environments



## Farm & Agricultural Crime

Acquisitive crime ranging from theft of metal to farm equipment and livestock continues to present a threat to rural communities.



## Business Crime

As with farm agricultural crime, crimes against small rural businesses can impact greatly on people's livelihoods.



## Tourism Crime

North and West Devon is a popular destination for visitors. Crime committed in our communities and rural 'beauty spots' can impact on the local economy and wider community confidence.



## Rural Isolation

Domestic violence, serious sexual offences, child sexual exploitation, illegal immigration including human trafficking, modern day slavery, forced labour and cyber-crime can be under reported by victims through rural isolation