

On Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August, police received a call from a local farmer who reported having a number of ewes and lambs stolen. The theft occurred between Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> August and Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August. The animals were in a field adjacent to the main Wotton Road in Bagstone and Stidcote lane, Tytherington. Due to the number of animal's stolen- approx 60, offenders would have had to be at the location for some time. Police are appealing to anyone who has seen anything suspicious in the area to contact the beat team on 0117 945 5979.

### **Police are setting up farm watch in this area**

Farm watch has been set up in the local area after an increase in burglaries and thefts happening on farms. Police will attend the location and mark 5-10 items with your postcode. They will also fill in a form detailing items which may be vulnerable to theft. The owner/farm will also receive updates from the police either via email or telephone detailing any offences or crime waves which may affect them- theft of quad bikes/farm machinery etc. You will then also receive a sign to put onto the main gates advising your items are marked. If you would be interested in this offer please contact the beat team to arrange the marking. Please be aware we are currently waiting for more marking equipment to be delivered. Beat team phone: 0117 945 5979.