

Region Security Guarding Responds to Firearm Incident in Bristol as Man Charged

Ongoing investigation and visible policing measures raise awareness of safety challenges in residential areas following daytime shooting



Wolverhampton, England Apr 8, 2026 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - Region Security Guarding, a [security company Bristol](#), has commented on recent developments following a firearms incident in the Speedwell area, where a man has now been charged in connection with a shooting earlier this week. Avon and Somerset Police confirmed that a 24-year-old man, William Scammell, from Speedwell, has been charged with attempted murder and possession of a shortened shotgun. The charges relate to an incident that took place on Speedwell Road at approximately 1.50pm on Wednesday, 1 April.

According to police reports, a firearm was discharged at a car during the incident. The victim, a man in his twenties, sustained serious injuries and remains in hospital. Authorities have stated that support is being provided to both the victim and his family while enquiries continue. The suspect is scheduled to appear at Bristol Magistrates' Court on Saturday, 4 April. Police have also confirmed that a man and a woman, both in their twenties, were arrested on suspicion of assisting an offender. They have since been released on police bail while investigations remain ongoing.

Senior Investigating Officer Detective Chief Inspector Jess Aston described the incident as deeply concerning and acknowledged the impact it has had on the local community. She stated that the case is

being treated as a priority and reassured residents that active policing measures are in place. Neighbourhood officers have increased patrols across Speedwell and the surrounding areas. These patrols are intended to provide reassurance, maintain visibility, and support ongoing enquiries. Members of the public have been encouraged to speak directly with officers if they have concerns or relevant information. In response to the incident, Region Security Guarding highlighted the broader issue of firearm-related risks in urban settings. While such events are not common, their impact can be significant and long-lasting, particularly in residential areas where people expect a sense of normalcy.

A spokesperson for Region Security Guarding said:

“Events like this can be unsettling for communities. Even a single incident can change how people feel about safety in their area. It is important to maintain a consistent presence and clear communication to help rebuild confidence. ”The company noted that incidents involving firearms tend to develop quickly, leaving little time for reaction. This makes early awareness and strong local coordination essential. Situations that begin in seconds can carry consequences for much longer.

Urban areas often experience mixed activity throughout the day. Residential streets, passing traffic, and local businesses all share the same space. When an incident occurs in such environments, it can affect more than just those directly involved. Region Security Guarding explained that visible patrols play an important role in stabilising situations after an event. People are more likely to feel secure when they see active monitoring in place. At the same time, information flow becomes critical. Clear updates from authorities help reduce uncertainty and prevent unnecessary concern. The company also pointed out that safety planning should not be reactive. Regular reviews, local awareness, and practical measures can reduce the likelihood of escalation. While no system can prevent every incident, structured approaches can limit impact and support faster responses.

Across Bristol and similar cities, changing patterns in movement and activity mean that risks are not always fixed. What appears calm at one moment can shift quickly. For this reason, ongoing attention to safety remains essential for both public spaces and nearby businesses. Avon and Somerset Police continue to encourage anyone with information about the Speedwell incident to come forward. Officers remain present in the area and are available to speak with residents who may have concerns. Region Security Guarding confirmed that it will continue to monitor developments while supporting awareness around practical safety measures. The company stated that consistency, visibility, and coordination remain key factors in maintaining safer environments.

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