



Community Safety Partnership Report

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Community Safety

Community Safety is about protecting people's rights to live in confidence without fear for their own or other people's safety ensuring that people are safe from crime, disorder and danger, and free from injury and harm and communities are socially cohesive and tolerant; are resilient and able to support individuals to take responsibility for their wellbeing

The Community Safety Partnership aims to improve community safety across Moray by identifying and addressing immediate concerns in order to protect the most vulnerable and at risk and be proactive to ensure that communities feel safe.

The CSP comprises of various Moray Council services, Police Scotland, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, NHS Grampian, tsiMORAY and Registered Social Landlords.

Please take the opportunity to sign-up for **Neighbourhood Alert** e-mail messages and encourage your family, friends and neighbours to do the same. Whilst the number of subscribers is constantly growing, the more people who sign-up to receive these alerts, which we always try to send timeously, the more effective these messages will become as they allow communities to become better informed about crime trends and crime prevention advice

https://member-registration.neighbourhoodalert.co.uk/91/Join

Moray Local Command Area - Community Policing Inspectors

Elgin Wards - Inspector Graeme Allan

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Heldon & Laich and Fochabers Lhanbryde Wards – Inspector David Hoyle

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Buckie, Keith and Cullen Wards - Inspector Neil Campbell

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Forres and Speyside Glenlivet Wards - Inspector Grant McCutcheon

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Community Safety and Antisocial Behaviour

Community Council Area	Abandoned Vehicle	Dog Fouling	Environmental	Neighbours	Noise	Other	Rowdy Behaviour	Grand Total
Elgin	7	4		11	7	2	3	34
Forres	1	4		2	5		1	13
Lossiemouth	4	2		2	2	1		11
Buckie & District		4		4	2	1		11
Keith	1	2		5	1			9
Cullen & Deskford			2	1				3
Findhorn & Kinloss			1	1				2
Burghead & Cummingston		1						1
Dufftown & District		1						1
Findochty	1							1
Portknockie			1					1
Heldon & Laich		1						1
Hopeman & Covesea		1						1
Lennox		1						1
Grand Total	14	21	4	26	17	4	4	90

^{*}Environmental includes Littering, Fly Tipping and Graffiti.

Community Wardens

Elgin

During the week of 20th November as part of a joint initiative with the Environmental Protection Team Wardens and EP staff patrolled Elgin High School and Elgin Academy during lunchtimes. It was good to see that the majority of pupils were using the bins provided without prompting and long may it continue.

Litter patrols were also carried out in Elgin town centre and the Cooper Park area.

Dog fouling locations featuring in November were Spynie Street, Chanonry Road, Lesmurdie Shops, South Street and Council Lane.

The bulk of the issues in Elgin and elsewhere in Moray relate to neighbour disputes and noise complaints. Often the two are related.

^{**}Any Community Council not shown above has a nil return for the month

Forres & Upper Speyside

Wardens visited Findhorn as part of Op Typhoon to look at dog fouling in the area. Fresh signage has been installed around the village.

Dog fouling hotspots in Forres were the Grant Park, Caroline Street, Hainings Road and Randolph Lane.

Only one report of an abandoned vehicle in the area this month which is welcome and an owner is currently being chased up just now.

Lossiemouth Area

We are frustrated to report of further complaints regarding groups of young people banging on doors and windows and throwing items such as empty bottles and confectionary at properties in Hopeman. Local shops have been made aware, patrols undertaken and a number of local young people have been spoken to about this.

Concerns have also been raised about fouling at the bench by the memorial cairn in Hopeman and CW Betts has been keeping a particular eye on this area.

Dog fouling has been reported at the back shore and harbour areas in Burghead. Liaison is ongoing with concerned residents to identify those responsible and we hope an opportunity will present itself to effectively deal with offending owners in the near future.

As part of Op Typhoon, Wardens have been conducting patrols in Burghead and hotspot streets in Lossiemouth and Lhanbryde. Signage has been installed in these areas warning people of the penalties for dog fouling as well as encouraging people to report dog fouling incidents they witness.

Three abandoned vehicles were dumped in Lossiemouth during the month. Two have since been removed and enquiries are ongoing into the other.

Talks were given to St Gerardines Primary P7 pupils and hopefully useful information on Community Safety and Crime Prevention was provided to the Lhanbryde BALL Group and Lossie Women's Guild.

Buckie Area

This month CW Haywood attended Newmill Primary School to talk to the Primary 1 - 3 pupils about my role as a Community Warden and gave very basic advice about good citizenship. At that age the children know and understand quite a lot about what makes a good citizen and it just makes you wonder where it goes wrong as they get into their teens and beyond! They seemed very interested in the CW job and had plenty of questions one of which was how do you escape from prison? Think we will need to keep my eye on that one, lol.

CW Haywood also attended Cullen Community Centre and spoke to the Cullen BALL Group (Be Active Live Longer) and over a cup of tea and lovely biscuits we had lively discussion on antisocial behaviour in the village and the top topic being as always Dog Fouling which they say has got worse in the last month or two as the nights have drawn in. They also had noticed an increasing amount of Abandoned vehicles that have popped up in Cullen over the last couple of months.

Keith / Fochabers Area

Dog fouling complaints in Keith, Fochabers and Dufftown featured this month. Op Typhoon was run to tackle this which saw CW Jamieson and Betts carrying out both high viz and plain clothes patrols in the problem areas. A number of dog walkers were spoken to and advised to report any offenders.

New dog fouling warning signage was installed in Findhorn, Dufftown and Garmouth to deter would be offenders.

The toilets in Fochabers have now reopened but will be locked overnight to prevent any further vandalism

To coincide with Road safety week CW Jamieson provided an input to Milnes nursery on 20th November on encouraging the children to dress brightly in the wintertime. Much fun was had dressing up in high viz vests, attaching stickers to hats and gloves and attaching reflectors to demonstrate the difference that can be made.

On 21st November CW Jamieson along with Milnes Primary P2/3 took part in a litter pick and were joined by our colleagues from the Environmental Protection Team who were impressed by the enthusiasm shown by the pupils! Mrs Wheeler and her class then sifted through the rubbish and removed all the items which could be recycled. Great effort as always by Milnes Primary with one group collecting 3 bags of litter!

Crime Prevention Advice

With Christmas and New Year approaching, we would like to offer the following advice regarding keeping you and your home safe.

Don't leave keys on the inside of door locks, under mats or anywhere else an intruder may easily find them.

Always ensure that your keys are well out of sight/reach of letterboxes and windows.

Don't keep your house keys and car keys on the same key ring and don't leave in the inside lock of an unlocked door.

Avoid keeping large amounts of cash in the house.

Don't leave valuables in view of windows, particularly around the tree at Christmas time.

If you are going away over the festive period, use timer switches to turn lights on when it gets dark.

PERSONAL SAFETY

Keep valuables out of sight placing wallets or purses in an inside pocket.

Concentrate on what and who is around you. Don't be distracted by using mobile devices.

If someone attempts to take something from you, consider letting them have it rather than risk being hurt. You are more important than your phone.

Try to park in a well lit area within view of a CCTV camera or in a staffed car park.

While waiting for a bus or train, stand in a well lit place near other people.

Keep the number of a reputable taxi company with you or stored in your phone.

Never leave your drink unattended in bars or clubs.

Don't accept drinks from people you don't know.

Know your limits and always stay in control.

Remember if you find yourself out in premises in an uncomfortable situation then speak to staff and "Ask for Angela". They will discreetly assist you.

We wish you and your family a very safe and happy Christmas and New Year.



Forres, Speyside and Glenlivet Area Policing Team

On 2nd November, a 23 year old local female assaulted another female at an address on Califer Road, Forres. No serious injury was sustained and the assailant has been reported to the Procurator Fiscal.

In the early hours of 4th November, a 43 year old local female entered licensed premises on Tolbooth Street, Forres. Because of her drunken state, staff at the premises refused to serve her any more alcoholic drink. She became argumentative and assaulted 2 members of staff. She has been reported.

Bicycles are a frequent target in Forres and November saw three being stolen. Late afternoon on the 4th an unattended and insecure gents Raleigh bicycle was stolen from High Street, Forres. Overnight on 14th, a gents Cube mountain bike was stolen from the bicycle rack on High Street, where it had been secured and about teatime on 15th, a child's Carrera mountain bike was stolen from an insecure bike shed at Forres Academy. If you have any information on these crimes please let us know. If you are lucky enough to have a new bike in your Christmas stocking, then please ensure you take suitable precautions to avoid being the victim of a bike thief.

On 5th November a 22 year old male assaulted another in licensed premises on Gordon Street, Forres. No serious injury was caused to the victim, and a report has been sent to the Procurator Fiscal.

Following a minor road traffic collision on Sanquhar Road, Forres on 4th November, a 79 year old local man was reported for careless driving.

During the early hours of 9th November, an Ifor Williams trailer was stolen from a compound established for the duration of the Colours of Cluny event. Enquiry into the theft is ongoing.

On 14th November officers attend a minor disturbance on Batchen Street, Forres resulting in a 45 year old local being dealt with for drug possession.

A salutary lesson can be learned from a collision at the Craigellachie junction on 21st November when a 19 year old was found to be driving without insurance. Not only was he charged, but the car owner was also charged with allowing his vehicle to be so driven. Before handing over your car keys please ensure the other person is covered to drive. It is your responsibility as car owner and you may also be charged if the driver commits certain offences. It is known as 'causing and permitting'.

On 27th November, waste paper in a bin within the toilets at the Speyside Way Visitor Centre in Aberlour was deliberately set alight. Minor damage was caused, and we are still investigating this.



Make sure your car is ready for winter! Check your tyres and fluids and also check Moray Councils website for up to date gritting plans. Link below

http://www.moray.gov.uk/moray_standard/page_108484.html?utm_source=Interchange&utm_medium=Ban_ner%20Article&utm_campaign=Interchange%20-%20Banner%20Article%20-%20Gritting%20Road%20Map

Elgin & Lossiemouth Area Policing Teams

Constable Jad Leach is the community beat constable for the Elgin area. During November he and his colleagues in the divisional violence and reduction team undertook to tackle the problem of drug users and dealers operating in and from the town centre in Elgin. They gathered intelligence assisted by members of the public and on Thursday 23^{rd} November they organised and executed a day of action to address the problem. After carrying out a number of stop/searches they charged 5 males with drug offences. In total 770 Valium tablets, 20 Ecstasy tablets and 1.2g of Cannabis were taken off the streets of Elgin. A successful operation that shows that criminal behaviour in the form of illegal possession of drugs won't be tolerated in our communities. Further operations are planned for December across the Moray area.

Police Officers in Lossiemouth have again been alerted to thefts of ornaments from graves at the cemetery in Lossiemouth. Also there have been reports of items being moved from one grave to the other. Obviously this type of behaviour is extremely upsetting for the families concerned and the local policing team are working with the Community Wardens and other agencies to try and detect these crimes and prevent them happening again.

Tools to the value of £2200 were stolen from a locked shipping container located at a building site near Lhanbryde. This occurred sometime during the night of the 8th November 2017, local officers are investigating.

Police officers in Elgin are investigating after a caravan was stolen from Milnefield Avenue, Elgin overnight on the 8th November. This is an unusual crime for Moray and is described as white Swift Conniche two berth caravan worth about £1500.

Officers from the policing teams in both Elgin and Lossiemouth are gearing up for the festive period and associated issues sometimes caused at this time of year by people consuming excessive alcohol and acting in an antisocial manner. During December the multi-agency Safer Streets operation will be in place in Elgin on key dates on the lead up to and over the festive period. This will see increased high visibility patrolling on foot by the police in the town centre on Friday and Saturday nights and working with other agencies and groups such as Street Pastors and taxi marshals. This combined approach has worked well in previous years and will endeavour to ensure everyone enjoys the festivities and gets home safely.

Buckie & Keith Area Policing Teams

In Buckie a male was reported for being concerned in the supply of cocaine following the execution of a drug search warrant at his address. Two males were also found to be in possession of cocaine within licensed premises during searches. A male in Cullen was found in possession of cannabis resin.

The 'Buckie Christmas Kracker' was very well attended with a large crowd throughout the day and everyone in good humour. Nothing untoward happened and everyone was in the festive spirit.

Five vandalisms have been reported in Keith - these were variously to a sign, a fence, a window, a lorry, and a car. They occurred in Mid Street, Braeside, Balloch Road, Hay Crescent, and Marr Place respectively. Enquiries are ongoing.

In Buckie, two vehicles were broken into and had tools stolen - one at Rathven Station Cottages and the other at Douglas Crescent. There was also a theft of a compactor plate from the Mill of Buckie. Enquiries are ongoing.

In Keith a male has been reported for an attempted housebreaking with intent to steal. There have been three thefts, two of which are subject of ongoing enquiries, and the other has been detected.

Over the last month officers have been proactive in carrying out patrols in relation to vehicles and the manner in which they are driven.

During the course of targeted patrols, a male was dealt with in Portgordon for disqualified driving and driving without insurance. A male and a female were reported for careless driving on the A98 near Buckie. Three people were reported for being unfit to drive through alcohol and or drugs in Buckie, Findochty, and Cullen. Another male was reported for careless driving, having no insurance, and committing driving licence offences.

In Keith, officers carried out an operation looking at antisocial driving and road traffic offending. Three people were reported for careless driving. A female was reported for drink driving on Land Street. Two males were dealt with for no insurance with one also being dealt with for having no MOT. Letters have been sent to all business premises on Mid Street, Keith, advising shop owners of the parking restrictions in that area and fourteen parking offence tickets have since been issued.

Scottish Fire & Rescue Service

We wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a safe and enjoyable New Year. Decorations, lights, candles, festive spirit all mixed together present a variety of dangers.

With the greatest of respect we don't want to visit you this Christmas and by following our simple safety advice on the leaflet below you will ensure that we don't.

It can also be download at

http://www.firescotland.gov.uk/media/485810/sfrs winter safety leaflet 2013 final.pdf

> JOIN SCOTLAND'S FIGHT AGAINST FIRE

Get ready for winter. Make sure you have working smoke alarms. Consider fitting a heat alarm in your kitchen to give you early warning of a fire in the home.

Take extra care when cooking if you suffer from any illness, disability or are taking prescribed medications that makes you careless or forgetful.

We all know older people who are at risk from fire – it could be a grandmother, aunt, friend or neighbour. Join Scotland's Fight Against Fire. If you, or someone you know, is at risk from fire, contact us now.

Call 0800 0731 999 Text 'FIRE' to 80800 visit www.firescotland.gov.uk or talk to your local firefighters.

> ALCOHOL

If you're tired, have been drinking, or taking drugs, you will be less alert to the signs of fire.

You are more likely to fall asleep.

You are less likely to wake up if a fire does start, particularly if you don't have working smoke or heat alarms in your home.

If fire does break out alcohol or drugs can heighten feelings of disorientation, making it difficult for you to escape.

Cooking and alcohol can be a recipe for disaster.

If you've been drinking alcohol or taking drugs, don't cook.

Smoking is the main cause of death from fire in the home. You are more likely to lose your life in a fire if you drink and smoke.

In many fires started by cigarettes, people have also been drinking and are sleepy.

Never smoke in bed.

Don't smoke in your chair if you've been drinking or you're feeling tired. If you do feel tired smoke outside or stand up and smoke at a window or outside door.

> FURTHER INFORMATION

Visit www.firescottand.gov.uk for practical fire safety advice, or talk to your local fire fighters at your nearest community fire station. You will find contact details on the website, in your local library and in the phone book.

For specific information and advice for older persons contact the Silver line Scotland helpline. Age Scotland Fire Safety Factsheet 101s provides essential fire and safety information for older people and persons who care for older people. Call 0800 470 80 90 or visit www.thesilverline.org.uk/ what-we-do-silver-line-scotland.

The Scottish Government 'Ready for Winter' campaign sets out simple steps we can all take in the home, before a journey (whether driving, cycling or on foot), at work and in our communities to prepare for Winter. It also encourages people to look out for others, especially the more vulnerable, when bad weather strikes.

visit www.readyscotland.org

> GET YOUR FREE SMOKE ALARMS

A short visit from the Fire and Rescue Service will help make sure your home is as safe as it can be. They can even install smoke alarms, free, if you need them. It only takes about 20 minutes, and their advice and help could save your life.

To request a free Home Fire Safety Visit, Call 0800 0731 999 Text 'FIRE' to 80800 or visit www.firescotland.gov.uk

If you would like a copy of this document in a different format or a version in another language, please contact 0800 0731 999.



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Get ready for winter- book a FREE HOME FIRE SAFETY VISIT Call 0800 0731 999 Text 'FIRE' to 80800 or visit www.firescotland.gov.uk



Fact.

House fires and casualties increase during winter, with a **high risk** over the festive period.





VISING PORTABLE HEATERS

- Keep heaters away from curtains and furniture and never use them for drying clothes.
- Unplug or switch off portable heaters when you go out or go to bed.
- Secure portable heaters in position to avoid the risk of them being knocked over.
- Only use gas or paraffin heaters in well-ventilated areas Heaters consume oxygen and in enclosed spaces can produce harmful gases and/or cause carbon monoxide poisoning.
- Fit a Carbon Monoxide detector in all rooms containing gas or paraffin heaters.
- Never use portable gas cylinder heaters in high rise flats.
- Always change gas cylinders in the open air. Never change gas cylinders in an enclosed space.

> USING ELECTRIC BLANKETS

- Never leave an electric blanket switched on when you're in bed unless it's marked 'suitable for all night use'.
- Ensure your electric blanket is tested and serviced in accordance with manufacturer's guidance, in particular after the guarantee runs out. Manufacturers often recommend testing blankets every 3 years.
- Check the blanket, plug and flex regularly for damage (e.g. fraying fabric, scorch marks, exposed wires). If you're in any doubt, don't use the blanket.
- $\bullet \quad \text{Store electric blankets safely -- roll them, don't fold them}.$

> FAIRY LIGHTS AND DECORATIONS

- Unplug fairy lights or other electrical Christmas decorations when you leave the house or go to bed.
- Check fairy lights are in good working order and replace any bulbs that have blown.
- Bulbs can get very hot, don't let them touch materials that can scorch or burn easily, such as paper or fabrics.
- Make sure the fuse in the plug is the correct rating.
- If you need to plug more than one appliance into an electrical socket use a multi-socket adaptor which is fitted with a fuse and has surge protection.

> CANDLES

- Extinguish all candles before you go to bed. In particular, never leave a burning candle in a bedroom.
- Keep candles, matches and cigarette lighters out of reach of children and never place lit candles where they can be knocked over by children or household pets.
- Always put candles on a heat resistant surface/ holders. Be especially careful with night lights and tea lights, which can get hot enough to melt plastic or ignite combustible Christmas decorations.
- Position candles away from objects that may catch fire, like Christmas trees, greeting cards, ribbons and other decorations.
- Never move lit candles.
- Always use a candle snuffer or a spoon to extinguish candles or tea lights.

> WHEN CELEBRATING

Consuming even a moderate amount of alcohol can greatly increase the risk of fire and fire injury.

- Ensure that exit door keys are kept readily available and/or exit doors can be opened from the inside in the event of fire or emergency.
- Take care of older people, children and those who may find it difficult to react quickly and safely if there is a fire.
- Make sure your family and/or visitors know what action to take in the event of fire or actuation of smoke/heat alarms.
- Smoking is the main cause of death from fire in the home. If people are smoking in your home provide a sufficient number of ashtrays.
- Stub out cigarettes properly make sure there's no smoke.
- Pour water on cigar and cigarette ends before putting in a bin.
- Leaving cooking unattended or being distracted while cooking is the most frequent cause of fire in the home. Never cook hot food while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- If celebrating with fireworks remember that they are explosives. Store them safely out of the reach of children and always follow the fireworks code.

> FESTIVE SAFETY TIPS

- Check your smoke and heat alarms are working.
 Replace batteries if necessary.
- If you have an open fire make sure your chimney is swept before winter. Always use a fire guard, secured in position, to protect against flying sparks from hot embers.



- Never place Christmas cards or decorations around the mantelpiece.
- Check your Christmas light plugs are fitted with the correct fuse, don't overload extension leads and ensure all electrical devices are Intertek BEAB approved.
- Always switch Christmas lights off and unplug them before you go to bed.
- Decorations can burn easily don't place them near lights or heaters.
- Never leave cooking unattended, especially when using hot oil. For early warning of fire consider fitting a heat alarm in your kitchen.
- Take time to check on elderly relatives and neighbours this Christmas as they are at greater risk from fire, particularly if they suffer from ill health or disability.

Moray Alcohol & Drug Partnership

Something for you to ponder again!



0-4

This score indicates that you are a low cost district. This means you are less likely to develop an alcohol related illness in the future.

5-8

Continuing to drink at this level could cause serious alcohol related illness.

Have you thought about cutting down a bit?

9+

HIGH

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Call Amoust on 91343 610590 or into https://quamers.org.in/service/univeting and alrohol-support/ if you are worted.

How many units are in your drink?

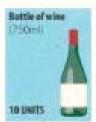












- Did you know that there is no safe limit to drinking alcohol?
- Every drink adds up and over time can lead to serious health problems such as breast cancer, high blood pressure, stroke and chronic liver disease.
- Reduce your harm Avoid drinking in rounds, get a friend to cut down with you, don't drink on an empty stomach, alternate with a non-alcoholic drink.



Community Justice Update

Community Justice aims to reduce crime through building partnerships between local organisations and communities.

The Moray Community Justice Partnership came into existence on 1 April 2017 and, as required by the Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2016, produced an Improvement Plan covering the twelve months to March 2018.

The plan can be found here:

http://www.yourmoray.org.uk/downloads/file115462.pdf

Work is now underway to develop a new three-year plan covering the period from 2018 to 2021. To kick-start this process, partners attended a Development event led by the Head of Improvement at Community Justice Scotland, the national body responsible for overseeing local arrangements, last month.

A draft plan should be available in February 2018 when there will be an opportunity to comment on the plan's contents. Details will appear in Community Safety Partnership News.

In the meantime, if you would like more information or have any views on Community Justice, please contact the Community Justice Coordinator, Mike Whelan via email at CommunityJustice@moray.gov.uk



Safety NET-works November 2017 www.safercommunitiesscotland.org

Safety NETworks

The latest edition of the SCSN Safety NETworks newsletter can be accessed via the link above to see what is happening at a national level in the area of Community Safety

POLICE STATION PUBLIC COUNTER OPENING HOURS

The following Police Stations have Public Counters and are open during the following hours.

BUCKIE 0700-1700 7 DAYS

ELGIN 0700- MIDNIGHT 7 DAYS

FORRES 0915-1715 MONDAY TO THURSDAY

0915-1445 FRIDAY

KEITH 0815-1600 MONDAY TO FRIDAY

LOSSIEMOUTH 0900-1700 MONDAY TO FRIDAY

ROTHES 0900-1700 MONDAY TO FRIDAY

NOTE – Stations may close for one hour at 12.30 daily or at short notice.

Telephone: 101 – Non Emergency

999 - Emergency

Website: <u>www.scotland.police.uk</u>

Twitter: @policescotland

Facebook: facebook.com/police Scotland

Should you wish to remain anonymous you can always contact the registered charity Crime stoppers on 0800 555 111

OTHER USEFUL NUMBERS

Moray Council Help Desk: 0300 1234566

Community Safety Team Office: 01343 563134 / 563704

Online ASB Reporting at www.moray.gov.uk/moray_standard/page_103264.html