

# **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.

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# **Gerry Ferris – Crime Prevention Officer**

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Some examples of suspicious activity or behavior could potentially include:

#### Research



Meetings, training and planning can take place anywhere. Do you know someone who travels but is vague about where they're going?



Do you know someone with passports or other documents in different names, for no obvious reason?



Do you know someone who looks at extremist material, including on the so-called Dark Web or shares and creates content that promotes or glorifies terrorism?



Have you noticed someone embracing or actively promoting hateful ideas or an extremist ideology?

#### **Gathering Materials**



Suspicious materials can be ordered online as well as in store. Have you noticed someone receiving deliveries for unusual items bought online?



If you work in commercial vehicle hire or sales, has a sale or rental seemed unusual?



Have you noticed someone buying large or unusual quantities of chemicals, fertilisers or gas cylinders for no obvious reason?



Have you noticed someone acquiring illegal firearms or other weapons or showing an interest in obtaining them?

#### **Storing Materials**



Terrorists need to store equipment while preparing for an attack. Have you noticed anyone storing large amounts of chemicals, fertilisers or gas cylinders?



Have you noticed anyone storing illegal firearms or objects that could potentially be weapons?

#### **Hostile Reconnaissance**



Observation and surveillance help terrorists plan attacks. Have you witnessed anyone taking pictures or notes of security arrangements or CCTV?

#### Financing



Cheque and credit card fraud are ways of generating cash. Have you noticed any suspicious or unusual bank transactions?

# **Community Safety and Antisocial Behaviour**

Community Council (March 2018)	Abandoned Vehicle	Dog Fouling	Environmental	Neighbours	Noise	Other	Rowdy Behaviour	Grand Total
Elgin	10	6	2	10	8			36
Buckie & District	2	4		3	6	1	2	18
Forres	2	1		4	7	1		15
Lossiemouth	3	4		1	5	1		14
Findhorn & Kinloss	3			2	4			9
Lennox		1	2	1				4
Innes	2	1				1		4
Findochty		1	1					2
Speyside					2			2
Hopeman & Covesea	1	1						2
Strathisla	1	1						2
Dufftown & District		1						1
Burghead & Cummingston							1	1
Glenlivet		1						1
Finderne	1							1
Heldon & Laich			1					1
Portknockie		1						1
Grand Total	25	23	6	21	32	4	3	114

#### **Community Warden Activity**

Three fixed penalties have been issues this month. Two were in relation to fly tipping in the Elgin and Tynet areas and one for dog fouling in Findochty.

Two warnings have been given in relation to tenants regarding noise issues.

The dog fouling locations are listed below. We will respond to reported areas by signage and patrols in the first instance. Where evidence is available a fixed penalty will be issued.

The dog fouling locations are listed below:

<sup>\*</sup>Environmental includes Littering, Fly Tipping and Graffiti.

\*\*Any Community Council not shown above has a nil return for the month

Ballindalloch	Forres				
Tomnavoulin	Bridge Street/High Street				
Buckie	Hopeman				
Gordon Street	Cooper Street				
Hillhead Cemetery	Lhanbryde				
Merson Park, Buckpool	Garmouth Road				
Dufftown	Lossiemouth				
Braehead Terrace	Coulardhill				
Elgin	East Beach Caravan Park				
Blane Place	Stotfield Road (2)				
Forteath Avenue/Mayne Road	Nether Dallachy				
Grassed area New Elgin Primary School	Spey Road				
Myreside cycle path	Portknockie				
Shaw Place	King Edward Terrace				
Willow Place	Rothiemay				
Findochty	Castle Terrace				
Harbour					
South Blantyre Street					

Seagulls are starting to make reappearance at this time of year and whilst it is not illegal to feed birds (any birds), we strongly advise against doing so in built up housing areas. Seagulls are more protective and can be aggressive during the breeding season without any additional encouragement from humans.

Information sheets on Gulls and other birds can be found at this link

http://www.moray.gov.uk/downloads/file113221.pdf - Moray Council Info

http://www.moray.gov.uk/downloads/file110579.pdf - Scottish National Heritage Info

# **Buckie and Keith Area Policing Team**

#### SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME

In Buckie three drug search warrants were executed, the first in Colonsay Place where cocaine was recovered and enquiries are ongoing. The next warrant was executed in the Ewing Crescent area where a quantity of tablets were recovered and the last warrant in Watt Avenue area resulted in Cannabis resin being recovered for which enquiries are ongoing.

In the Keith area a twenty three year old male was found to be in possession of a small quantity of Cannabis resin on Regent Square.

# ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, VIOLENCE AND DISORDER Buckie

On 3 March 2018, an eighteen year old male was dealt with for urinating in the street on East Church Street, Buckie and issued with a fixed penalty.

On 4 March 2018, a twenty seven year old male was arrested for assaulting a member of the public and two Police Officers in Cluny Square, Buckie.

On 10 March 2018, a window was deliberately smashed at Cameron Crescent, Buckie and enquiries are ongoing.

On 13 March 2018, vandalism occurred in the Alba Road area, resulting in damage to a wall and light. Enquiries are ongoing and extra patrols have been implemented in this area.

On 16 March 2018, a disturbance occurred in the Netherha Road area and a 32 year old male and a thirty one year old female were dealt with for a number of assaults.

On 19 March 2018, a disturbance took place within the Pits Bar, Buckie and a thirty three year old male was arrested and appeared from custody.

#### **Keith**

On 1 March 2018, a bench was deliberately set on fire in St Rufus Park; a male youth is being reported to the Youth Justice Management Unit.

On 3 March 2018, a derelict property at 125 Moss Street, Keith was entered and set on fire. Following enquiries a male youth has been cautioned and charged with this crime and further enquiries continue.

On 12 March 2018, at Duff Street, Keith, a Vauxhall motorcar was damaged where the bonnet was scratched. Enquiries are ongoing.

### **ACQUISITIVE CRIME**

#### **Buckie**

On 1 March 2018, a theft of a ladies silver coloured giant mountain bike occurred which was left insecure in Seatown, Cullen. Enquiries are ongoing.

At the Co-Op, East Church Street, Buckie three shopliftings have been reported, On 9 March 2018 the theft of alcohol occurred and a 37 year old male was arrested and charged. On 11 March 2018, two low value thefts occurred and a twenty year old

male was given a recorded police warning and on 14 March 2018, the theft of two hundred pounds of alcohol occurred, following enquiries a 35 year old male was arrested and kept in custody and dealt with for targeting and stealing alcohol from a number of shop premises in Moray.

On 19 March 2018, a theft of money occurred in the Craigbo Terrace area of Buckie and enquiries are ongoing.

#### **Keith**

On 2 March 2018 and 3 March 2018, Thefts of alcohol occurred at Tescos, Keith, following enquiries a youth is being reported to the Youth Justice Management Unit.

On 3 March 2018, a football top was stolen from the Original Factory Shop, Union Street, Keith. Enquiries are ongoing.

On 8 March 2018, a report was received that the fence had been pulled down and rolls of piping stolen from Keith Builders Merchants Ltd, Edindiach Road, Keith. Enquiries are ongoing.

On 21 March 2018, a magnetic panel on a wall was deliberately damaged at 13 Turner Street, Keith. Enquiries are ongoing.

#### **ROAD SAFETY**

On 2 March, a forty seven year old male was found to be driving under the influence of alcohol whilst five times over the legal limit at Aaradoul. He has been reported to the Courts.

On 18 March 2018, a twenty three year old male was arrested for driving a motor car whilst being under the influence of alcohol on High Street, Buckie.

On 6 March 2018, a 23 year old male was dealt with for driving a motor car without a valid insurance certificate or MOT on Regent Street, Keith

On 9 March 2018, a 20 year old male was dealt with for driving with tyres that had tread under the required limit at Braeside, Keith.

On 11 March 2018, a 30 year old male was dealt with for towing a trailer in a dangerous condition and was served a prohibition notice at Haughs Road, Keith.

On 16 March 2018, a 43 year old male was dealt with for carrying an insecure load on a lorry at Moss Street, Keith.

Additional local Officers have recently undergone training in the use of speed detection equipment and are now being utilised to continue efforts to tackle speeding where duties permit.

# Forres, Speyside and Glenlivet Area Policing Team

Between 8 and 10pm on 2 March a pink coloured gents mountain bike with a value of about £2000, was stolen from the rear garden of a house in St Laurence Court, Forres.

Shortly after midnight on 7 March, patrolling officers were carrying out speed checks on Victoria Road in Forres when they detected a 24 year old man from Keith driving his car at almost twice the permitted speed limit. He has been reported to the Procurator Fiscal.

Between 6.15 and 7.30 pm on 8 March, a bright green "Cube Aim" gents bicycle with a value of about £480 was stolen from outside Forres House Community Centre, Forres. We are following several lines of inquiry in relation to this theft.

About 1.20pm on 9 March a 38 year old Elgin man was seen driving his motor car in Forres whilst he was not wearing his seatbelt. He was signalled to pull his vehicle over, but ignored the direction to stop for some time. He was found not to have an exemption from the requirement to wear a seatbelt and was charged accordingly. He was also charged with failing to stop having been required to do so, by police officers.

Between 12.30 and 1.30pm on 10 March, a snowboard and bindings, with a total value of about £700, were stolen from racking outside the restaurant at the Lecht Ski Centre.

About 7.30pm on 8 March, a Forres man was the victim of a telephone scam. During a cold call, the fraudster pretended to be from one of the high street banks, and told the victim that the bank had noticed unusual activity on his bank account, involving 2 transactions for a total of £900 in the Manchester area. The fraudster told the victim that he should move all of his funds into a bank "safe account", the details of which he provided. The victim was initially suspicious, but the fraudster said that he would call the victim back on his mobile phone, from the number that appeared on the rear of the banks cards. When the fraudster called back, it did appear to be from a legitimate number. After some toing and froing, the victim was persuaded to transfer a sum of money into the "safe account". The fraudsters "safe account" was closed immediately after the transfer of funds took place. On 27 March, a Forres woman was the victim of a very similar fraud, in which she was induced to go to her bank to transfer the money to the "safe account". She was warned not to disclose too much information to staff at the bank as the (non-existent) unusual activity on her account might have been carried out by a member of staff at the bank, who was being monitored. Members of our community should not transfer money to unknown accounts, or provide personal banking details to strangers on the basis of an unsolicited telephone call.

About 1.40pm on 12 March, a 71 year old Forres man drove his motorcar on St Catherine's Road in Forres whilst the holder of a provisional driving licence, but without displaying the requisite "L" plates, and without supervision. Checks also revealed that at the time of the offence, he had no policy of insurance in place. Consequently, his motor car was seized, and he was reported to the procurator fiscal.

Between 9.30 and 12.50pm on 19 March, a gents bicycle with a value of £500 was stolen from the bike shed at Forres Academy. Officers driving home after having gone off duty saw a 30 year old local man, known to them for crimes of dishonesty, cycling a bike matching the description of the one that had been stolen. They stopped the man and called on-duty colleagues. The man has been reported to the Procurator Fiscal and the bike returned to its rightful owner.

Between 3.30 and 4.30 pm on 19 March, £292 pounds worth of alcoholic drinks were stolen from a licensed store in Aberlour. This appeared to be one of a series of similar crimes, carried out by travelling criminals from the Motherwell area. The following day, the same criminals attempted to steal alcoholic drinks from a licensed store in Banff. On this occasion, however, they were caught and police were summoned. A report has been sent to the Procurator Fiscal in relation to a series of shopliftings, including the one at Aberlour.

On 20 March, an Aberlour woman was defrauded of a significant sum of money, when she attempted to rent a villa in Spain, for a holiday. The villa was advertised on a website called Homeaway.com, and payment was made via a link, purporting to be a link to Trip Advisor. Having paid the money, the victim heard nothing more from the "owners" of the villa, and so contacted Trip Advisor, who advised her that the villa is not for rent on their website and, consequently, they have taken no payment. Investigation is ongoing, but the fraudsters' method appears to have been the creation of a cloned website.

At 9.45pm on 24 March, patrolling officers near to Conicavel came upon the scene of what appeared to be a one vehicle road crash. They engaged with the lone male driver of the vehicle, a 52 year old local man, and quickly formed the impression that he had been consuming alcohol. The man was arrested and pertinent tests carried out, which showed that he had about twice the permitted level of alcohol in his breath.

# Lossiemouth, Fochabers, Elgin Area Policing Teams

Crimes of note in the Elgin area during March 2018:-

Between 2 and 5 March 2018 the Springfield building plot at Birnie Road Elgin was entered and building materials and machinery to the value of £4000 was stolen

During the evening of 9 March 2018 a male entered the Coop food store on Pansport Road, Elgin and assaulted a member of staff there. There is CCTV footage and Police are following a positive line of enquiry. During the same evening 4 youths were disturbed whilst damaging a vehicle parked outside St Giles Church on the Plain stones. Again this incident was captured on CCTV and enquiries are ongoing to identify those responsible.

During the early morning of Sunday 18 March 2018 a drunken 42 year old female took exception to being asked to leave licenced premises in the town. She proceeded to assault a male in full view of the Police. Upon being arrested she created a disturbance, assaulted the police officers and continued her poor behaviour when taken to the local police office. She was released once sober and reported to the Procurator Fiscal.

On 27 March 2018 acting on information received Elgin Police Officers attended outside Starbuck coffee shop, High Street where they found a 28 year old male in possession of an amount of cannabis. He was charged with the offence and the drugs taken off him.

#### Crimes of note in the Lossiemouth area during March 2018.

Sometime overnight on the 1 or 2 March 2018 a motor vehicle was vandalised by being deliberately scratched causing significant damage. This occurred on Bailey Place, Lossiemouth.

Overnight on 14 March 2018 a quantity of red diesel was stolen from a truck parked at the Winding Trails Forestry Commission Carpark, near Fochabers.

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# **Scottish Fire and Rescue Service**

Back in October 2017 the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service launched the Community Asset Register (CAR).

Essentially this is a register of volunteers who have a particular asset or skill which they feel could be used to support emergency services and responders at an incident.

Examples include someone with a boat who could be called in times of flooding to assist evacuate people from houses to a place of safety. Similarly someone with a 4X4 may be used in times of severe snow to transport vulnerable people to a community hall.

Further information about the CAR can be found on the link below:

http://www.firescotland.gov.uk/news-campaigns/news/2017/10/sfrs-launches-community-asset-register-(1).aspx

Unfortunately, it is impossible to gauge how often a volunteer will be requested.

Mobilisations can be determined by severe weather, a specific type of asset/skill required for the incident, the emergency services availability and resources in the area and the location of the volunteer.

It must be stressed that even when someone has registered, they are under no obligation to mobilise when they are called by the Operations Control centre.

For anyone to register an interest and request a form they would be required to email:

<u>SFRS.CommunityAssetRegister@firescotland.gov.uk</u> and a registration form will be sent to be completed along with guidelines on how to complete the registration process.

# 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

Online ASB Reporting at <a href="https://www.moray.gov.uk/moray\_standard/page\_103264.html">www.moray.gov.uk/moray\_standard/page\_103264.html</a>