

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.

There was an incident with cold callers in Forres during the month of April selling goods at doors.

It quickly became apparent that he did not have the relevant permissions and certificates to act as a peddler, and so he was arrested.

Always ask for ID and if in doubt call the police on 101 and report them.

If it's an emergency call 999.

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Police Scotland is proud to support Counter Terrorism Policing's Action Counters Terrorism (ACT Campaign) to encourage the public to help the police tackle terrorism and save lives by reporting suspicious behavior and activity.

Communities defeat terrorism. With the enduring terrorist threat, it is now more important than ever that everyone plays their part in tackling terrorism. Our actions could save lives.

Like other criminals, terrorists need to plan. If you see or hear something unusual or suspicious trust your instincts and ACT by reporting it in confidence at gov.uk/ACT.

If it's an emergency call 999.

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 Area	Abandoned Vehicles	Environmental Issues	Neighbours	Noise Complaints	Other Issues	Rowdy Behaviour	Grand Total
Elgin	10	5	4	12	5		36
Forres	6	2	5	3	1	1	18
Buckie & District	2	3	3	3	3	1	15
Innes	1	3	2	2		1	9
Lossiemouth	3	4			1		8
Lennox		1	1	4	2		8
Keith	2	1	1		1		5
Hopeman & Covesea		3		1	1		5
Cullen & Deskford				1	4		5
Burghead &				1		2	3
Cummingston				T		2	3
Portknockie		1	1				2
Speyside				1		1	2
Dufftown & District		1				1	2
Findochty				1			1
Heldon & Laich		1					1
Finderne				1			1
Findhorn & Kinloss	1						1
Strathisla		1					1
Grand Total	25	26	17	30	18	7	123

^{*}Environmental Issues include Dog Fouling, Littering, Fly Tipping and Graffiti.

As of 1 April 2018, the number of Wardens officially reduced to three. Although they have been operating on a Moray wide basis for the past year, they did retain some geographic responsibility whilst they were a team of four. However, these recent changes reinforces the need to move to a whole of Moray structure and remove geographic responsibilities altogether.

Our Warden Team now comprises of Donna Jamieson, Tim Betts and Chris Haywood.

In keeping with the time of year, sea gull complaints have seen a rise as they start to nest. The feeding of birds is not to be encouraged as however well-intentioned this may be in terms of species, food attracts gulls, whether they can eat it or not. Our advice remains not to feed birds in built up areas. In areas where we have received reports relating to gulls, Wardens have carried out leaflet drops with relevant information.

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

Copies of this and other helpful information can be found at

http://www.moray.gov.uk/moray_standard/page_82583.html

Abandoned Vehicles still remain a problem. On receiving a report of an abandoned vehicle, enquiry is carried out to establish that it is in fact abandoned and who the current owner is. In the majority of cases this is not a straightforward process as proper paperwork procedures have not been followed during private sales. Timescales are set out in legislation as to periods of notice to be given vehicle owners and to landowners from whom permission has to be sought before removing any vehicle.

If a vehicle is uplifted by Moray Council it along with its contents are destroyed the same day in line with DVLA end of life directives. The last registered keeper may be liable for costs of up to £300 if this happens.

Remember, as a vehicle seller you have a responsibility to notify DVLA you have sold the vehicle (bottom part of V5 document). DVLA will issue you with a notification that their records have been updated that you are no longer the keeper. Do not rely on the buyer to do this.

Where our enquiries reveal that a vehicle is being used on the road without tax or MOT and often inadequately insured, this information is shared with Police Scotland who can take enforcement action.

In relation to environmental issues, no fixed penalties have been issued during April.

Buckie and Keith Area Policing Team

SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME

In Buckie a 23 year old female was dealt with in Hendry Terrace for obstructing a drug search, she was found in possession of cannabis. A 36 year old male was searched on South Pringle Street and found in possession of cannabis.

In Keith a 16 year old male was searched in Institute Lane and found in possession of Cannabis resin. Two males aged 18 and 20 years were stopped on the A95 at Keith and searched along with their vehicle and found in possession of cannabis resin and cannabis and were dealt with for possessing the drugs and possession with intent to supply cannabis.

ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, VIOLENCE AND DISORDER

Buckie

On 3 April 2018, a report was received of a rear windscreen of a motor car having been smashed on Milton Drive, Buckie, enquiry is ongoing.

On 10 April 2018, a fire was discovered within an insecure derelict outhouse at Newlands Lane. The fire was extinguished and caused no damage. Enquiries are ongoing.

On 20 April 2018, a downpipe was vandalised in Pringle Court resulting in a 36 year old male being reported.

On 23 April 2018, vandalism occurred to a window at the Buckie Library. Enquiries are ongoing.

On 21 April 2018 vandalism occurred where a motorcar had its bonnet scratched in the Yardie, Buckie. Enquiries are ongoing.

On 29 April 2018, vandalism occurred at Cullen Kitchens, Bayview Road, Cullen where a gate was kicked and damaged. This was witnessed and enquiries are ongoing.

In Buckie there were several common assaults reported and two serious assaults both of which are detected and six males have been reported.

Keith

On 1 April 2018, a car was vandalised on Balloch Road, Keith and had a mirror pulled off. A further similar crime occurred on Cameron Drive on 11 April 2018, enquiries are ongoing.

On 9 April 2018, two cars were vandalised one in Viewfield and the other in Cameron Drive. Two juveniles have been reported to Youth Justice Management Unit

On 10 April 2018, a wilful fire-raising occurred on Main Street, and on Police attendance two youths were identified and have been reported to the Youth Justice Management Unit.

On 15 April 2018, a car was vandalised by spray paint in Land Street, Keith. Police are following a positive line of enquiry.

On 8 April 2018, an assault occurred outside the Commercial Hotel, Keith where a female was assaulted, enquiries are ongoing.

On 15 April 2018, an assault occurred within the Commercial Hotel, Keith three males aged 20, 21 and 22 were later arrested and appeared from custody.

On 17 April 2018, Police were called to a disturbance at Kelman Place where stones were thrown and weapons brandished at the Police. A 31 year old male was later arrested and subsequently remanded in custody. Three juveniles were also reported regarding this incident.

On 17 April 2018, an unidentified object was thrown at a car whilst it was being driven on regent street, Keith causing minor damage.

As a result of the antisocial behaviour and crime, violence and disorder increased directed patrols were implemented and are ongoing in Keith.

ACQUISITIVE CRIME

Buckie

On 7 April 2018 and then again on the 19 April 2018, thefts of fuel occurred at the Buckie Service Station, High Street, Buckie. Enquiries are ongoing.

On 8 April 2018, a theft of furnishings occurred at a Guest House at Cluny Square, Buckie. Enquiries are ongoing.

On 13 April 2018, a mobile telephone was stolen within the Old Coach House Hotel, Buckie enquiries are ongoing.

On 17 April 2018, an attempted housebreaking occurred at Mavers Lane Buckie where an attempt was made to force a front door. Enquiries are ongoing.

On 19 April 2018, an attempted housebreaking was reported at Buckpool Golf Club, where entry was forced through a fire door, which activated the alarm. Enquiries are ongoing

Keith

On 8 April 2018, a bottle of alcohol was stolen from the Service Station, Regent Street, Keith. Two juveniles were dealt with and one was found to be responsible for the attempted theft of a motorcar the same night they were both reported to the Youth Justice Management Unit.

On 9 April 2018, a Land rover was stolen on B9018, near Keith and a juvenile was traced and reported to the Youth Justice Management Unit.

ROAD SAFETY

Buckie

On 22 April 2018, on Hope Street a 31 year old female was dealt with for having no MOT or Insurance for a motorcar.

Following multiple complaints on 17 and 18 April 2018, of anti-social driving and excessive noise relating to a vehicle in the Buckie area, a vehicle was served a prohibition notice and enquiries are ongoing with a view to reporting the offender.

Keith

On 2 April 2018, a 61 year old male was dealt with for failing to produce his tachograph for his lorry.

Forres, Speyside and Glenlivet Area Policing Team

About 4.00am on 1 April, patrolling officers came across a motor car in Leask Road car park, Forres. The engine was running with high revs, and the driver appeared to be asleep. The officers roused the driver, a 25 year old Forres man, and quickly formed the impression that he had been consuming alcohol. Relevant breath tests were carried out, confirming that he was over the drink drive limit. The man was arrested and subsequently reported to the procurator fiscal.

During the evening of 4 April, we received several phone calls from members of the public reporting young men calling at their homes, giving a story about having recently been released from prison and trying to turn their lives around by selling goods door to door. Officers eventually located one of these men, a 21 year old from the Middlesbrough area. It quickly became apparent that he did not have the relevant permissions and certificates to act as a peddler, and so he was arrested. After further investigation, it was clear that he was part of a well organised team, whose criminal scheme was extremely lucrative. One local had paid over £80 for goods that would probably have cost less than £10 in a local supermarket.

During the month, we have been monitoring parking issues at the west end of Forres High Street. A as a result several motorists were issued with tickets for parking on double yellow lines, or parking within the area of a pedestrian crossing.

Local officers continue to be proactive in dealing with the issue of illegal drugs, and have stopped and searched people found in circumstances where it was reasonable to assume that they had drugs in their possession. Small amounts of drugs including cannabis and amphetamine have been found, and the people found in possession have been reported to the procurator fiscal.

Road safety is a priority for the community policing team, and during the month speed checks were carried out in several areas where concerns had been expressed about vehicle speeds. These included the B9010 in the area of Rafford, St Leonards Road in Forres, and the B9011 Kinloss to Findhorn Road. As a result of the checks several drivers were either issued with fixed penalty tickets, or reported to the procurator fiscal.

About 9.15 pm on 14 April, following information received from a member of the public, Officers found a motorcar parked at the side of the A 941 near Dufftown. The sole occupant, a 48 year old Dufftown man, appeared to have been consuming alcohol and so was required to undergo a roadside breath test. As a result, it was established that he was over the drink drive limit. He was arrested and has been reported to the procurator fiscal.

Between 12.50pm and 2.00pm on 15 April, a car parked in a car park at a distillery visitor centre in Rothes was broken into by having the passenger side front window smashed by a rock. A handbag was stolen. Fortunately, the only items in the handbag were of low value. Inquiry is ongoing.

Lossiemouth, Fochabers, Elgin Area Policing Teams

The local community policing team at Elgin have been engaging with the community and tackling crime and anti-social behaviour this month

On 2, 3 & 4 April, they were engaged in making enquiry in to the highly publicised incidents of vandalism and disorder at New Elgin Cemetery. They made enquiry and established that a 7 year old child was responsible. He has been dealt with appropriately

On 10 April, they attended at the Elgin Community Council Meeting. The meeting went well and Police Scotland was praised for recent actions. As part of the same meeting, local officers were invited to speak to members of the council on "Hate Crime". The talk went well and was well received. Although they were scheduled for 40 minutes they ended up speaking for an hour and a half! Again, Police Scotland, particularly Moray, was praised for the Moray statistics in relation to Hate Crime.

On Thursday 26 April 2018 the community team worked with colleagues from the Divisional Alcohol and Violence Reduction Unit (DAVRU) to mount a drugs operation to target drug dealing in the town centre and in particular around the bus station. As a result a male and female were detained for drugs offences having been found in possession of a dealer quantity of illegal drugs. They will appear in court at a later date.

Local officers in Fochabers responded to complaints from the community who continue to be concerned with motorists speeding in the town and in particular the High Street. They conducted a speed check there during the mid-morning of 2 April 2018 and in the short time they were there they detected two drivers who were exceeding the speed limit. Both received conditional offers of fixed penalties and now have points on their licence. Noting this to be a problem area they will likely be back there in May. They thereafter moved to Ordiequish Road were similar concerns had been raised. They conducted high visibility speed checks but thankfully no offenders were detected.

Officers at Lossiemouth have been made aware of several youth annoyance type calls in the Hopeman/Burghead area. They are looking to pro-actively target this problem over the coming weeks working jointly with the community wardens and are gathering information about it. Officers are grateful for all the information and assistance provided by the local community regarding this problem which we hope to "nip in the bud" before it gets out of hand.

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 www.moray.gov.uk/moray_standard/page_103264.html