

Community Safety Partnership Report Issue 29

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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

# COLD CALING SEASON IS COMING

With the better weather arriving it is the time of year for Cold Calling to increase. Offers of roofing work, garden services and the like. Common practices include high pressure / aggressive sales techniques and carrying out unnecessary work to a low standard at inflated cost. The most serious problems being associated with higher value home and garden repairs and maintenance.

Trading Standards advice is <u>never to agree to work on the doorstep</u>. If you think that work is needed to your property get quotes from two or three traders and compare them. Ask someone you can trust for a recommendation, or use a recognised trader approval scheme. Don't hurry to part with your money.

For further advice contact, Trading Standards, The Moray Council, PO Box 6760, Elgin, IV30 9BX, Tel:0300 123 4561 ☐ trading.standards@moray.gov.uk

# Moray Local Command Area - Community Policing Inspectors

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# Wild Fires

#### FIRES WHICH MAY THREATEN YOUR PROPERTY IF YOU LIVE OR WORK IN AN AREA AT RISK FROM WILDFIRES, BE PREPARED

• Do you and your family have a plan for your safety in the event of a wildfire?

• Do all family members know what to do and where to assemble in the event of a wildfire, including rounding up and caring for pets and domestic animals?

• Have you discussed an escape plan with your neighbours?

• Have you talked to your children about not starting fires or playing with matches?

#### IT MAY SEEM LIKE A REMOTE POSSIBILITY, BUT IT PAYS TO BE PREPARED!

Wildfires are very dangerous, spreading fast, changing direction, threatening wildlife, livestock, domestic animals, environment, property and people.

#### If you see a fire, however small,

#### CALL 999 IMMEDIATELY

Give our Fire Control personnel as much detail as possible. If you know the best access point, please let them know. If safe to do so, stand by the acce

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You can download printable copies of all Scottish Fire and Rescue Service leaflets (PDF Format) <u>www.firescotland.gov.uk/your-safety/community-safety-leaflets.aspx</u> If you require any printed copies of the leaflets please contact your local community fire station.

Further information available at <u>www.firescotland.gov.uk</u>

# **Working together** for a safer Scotland **=[0]|**] DOMESTIC APPLIANCE FIRES

# **Keep everyone and everything** important to you safe. Don't leave appliances such as dishwashers, tumble dryers and washing machines on when you're out or asleep.

- Register your white goods so you'll know if a safety issue is identified. Visit <u>www.registermyappliance.org.uk</u>
- Check for product recalls visit www.electricalsafetyfirst.org. uk/product-recalls/
- Get your free home fire safety visit. We'll help you sort out a fire escape plan and provide information about smoke, heat and carbon monoxide alarms.
  - Call 0800 0731 999
  - Text 'FIRE' to 80800
  - visit firescotland.gov.uk

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WASHING MACHINE FIRES TUMBLE DRYER FIRES

2018





# **Community Safety and Antisocial Behaviour - March**

Environmental	Neighbours	Noise	Other	Grand Total
6	12	5	4	36
2	2	6		15
4	2	2	2	10
2	1	1	1	7
2	2			5
1		1	2	5
1	2	1		4
	1		1	4
	1	1	1	3
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21	23	18	12	97
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In March, neighbour disputes and abandoned vehicles were the most complained about issues to the Community Safety Team.

Community Council Area	Abandoned Vehicle	Environmental	Neighbours	Noise	Other	Rowdy Behaviour	Grand Total
Elgin	4	7	7	11	2	1	32
Buckie & District	1	1	2	6	4		14
Forres	4	2	3	4			13
Innes	2	1	2	1			6
Lossiemouth	1			4			5
Burghead & Cummingston	1	1			2		4
Speyside		2	1	1			4
Findochty	1		2				3
Keith	1			1	1		3
Portknockie					1		1
Lennox					1		1
Cullen & Deskford			1				1
Grand Total	15	14	18	28	11	1	87

# **Community Safety and Antisocial Behaviour - April**

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# **BUCKIE, KEITH & STRATHISLA**

#### SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME

#### **Buckie**

On 3 April, a drug search warrant was executed at an address on Chancellor Road, Portessie, following information that the 27 year old male occupant was growing cannabis. A few plants were recovered and the male has been reported to the Procurator Fiscal.

On 13 April, during a routine stop of a car at Portgordon beach car park, four young men (aged 20 -21) were found in possession of personal quantities of cannabis. The cannabis was seized and they were all issued with a formal recorded police warning. <u>Keith</u>

On 1 April, two air weapons were seized from an address at Auchindoun, Keith On 24 April a 31 year old male was found in possession of cannabis resin at Colvin Court, Keith.

# ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, VIOLENCE AND DISORDER

#### **Buckie**

A report of fly-tipping was received on 25 April near Burnside Court in Buckie. Various items of garden and building waste had been dumped (but nothing to identify the persons responsible was left at the scene). Attention will be given to the area and environmental health made aware.

An 18 year old male has been reported to the court following a vandalism that occurred on 13 April at a relative's house on Wallace Avenue, Buckie.

Overnight on 13 April, damage was caused to the petrol pumps at Tesco filling station, Buckie. CCTV from the premises is being reviewed and enquiries are ongoing.

A 23 year old male is to be reported following a disturbance at an address on Anderson Drive, Buckie, on 15 April.

Between 22 – 29 April, damage to the stone pillars at the entrance to Buckie High School was received where unknown persons had pushed off the coping stones. Unfortunately, the incident happened out with CCTV camera coverage but enquiries are ongoing.

On 24 April, a woman was hit by a car in Tesco car park. She was taken to Dr Gray's for treatment. A 30 year old woman was traced shortly afterwards and kept in custody to appear at court. Her car was also seized.

During the early hours of 28 April, two males were assaulted on East Church Street in what appears to be an unprovoked attack. A 45 year old male was traced nearby and identified by the victims. He fought with Police and gave false details but was arrested and later charged and put to court the next day where he was remanded in custody.

#### <u>Keith</u>

On 5 April, a 17 year old male was arrested at Keith Railway Station for breaching his curfew conditions

Between 8 and 9 April, a garage window was vandalised and smashed at 27 Regent Street, Keith. Enquiries are ongoing.

On 13 April, two vandalisms occurred at the Ugie House Hotel where two males snapped pool cues. Enquiries are ongoing.

On 21 April, a double glazed window was smashed on Moss Street, Keith. Enquiry is ongoing.

On 23 April, a vandalism and an assault occurred on Regent Street, Keith. A 24 year old male has been reported.

On 28 April, a male was assaulted by two youths on Westerton Road, Keith. Enquiries are ongoing.

#### ACQUISITIVE CRIME

#### <u>Buckie</u>

On 8 April, a 31 year old man reported theft of £40 cash from his home address at Woodside Close, Buckie. A positive line of enquiry is being pursued. On 13 April, two males in their twenties took a taxi from Portsoy to Buckie and failed to pay for their fare. Enquiry is ongoing to identify the two males responsible. On 13 April, report was received of a male within the grounds of the old pork factory / proposed trampoline park at Great Eastern Road. A dog unit and other police units attended and a male fitting the description of the suspect was traced later that evening. Enquiry is ongoing.

# <u>Keith</u>

On 8 April, reports of a theft by housebreaking, a vandalism and a Theft were received in Fraser Place and Nelson Terrace, where following enquiries one youth has been charged and other enquiries are ongoing regarding another youth and a report will be sent to the Youth Justice Management Unit.

# **ROAD SAFETY**

#### <u>Buckie</u>

On 1 April, a 20 year old woman was stopped driving her car on Highfield Road, Buckie, and was found to have no insurance. She has been reported to the PF. On 3 April, a serious road traffic collision occurred on the A98 near Bog of Rannas woods. Following enquiry, a 23 year old male is to be reported for various driving offences.

On 5 April, a car that was parked on Craigenroan Place during the day was damaged in a hit and run. Enquiries are ongoing.

On 11 April, a 20 year old woman was stopped during traffic patrols and found to have a non-standard licence plate. She has been reported to the PF.

On 14 April, a 23 year old male was taken into custody after he was caught drink driving and committing various other road traffic offences whilst on bail at The Meadows in Buckie.

On 22 April, report was received of a car being damaged in Tesco car park. The car was parked out with CCTV cameras but other lines of enquiry are being followed up. Also on 22 April, during speed checks on March Road, a 58 year old male was stopped for driving at 63 mph in the 40 mph zone. He has been reported to the court. At the same location, a 33 year old woman was stopped for driving at 70 mph in the 40 mph zone. She too has been reported to the court.

On 25 April, a 20 year old woman was found driving with no insurance on East Cathcart Street. She has been charged and will be reported to the PF.

About lunch time on 27 April, a road rage incident was reported on the Findochty to Buckie road near Bijou by the sea. The occupants of a car were approached by the

male driver of a white van who banged on their windows (to their alarm). Enquiries are ongoing to identify the driver of the van.

#### <u>Keith</u>

On 9 April, on the A96 at Keith, a trailer was found to have faulty brakes and a 51 year old male was charged.

On 12 April, a report of a fail to stop fail to report accident occurred at Quarryhill. Enquiries are ongoing.

On 18 April, on the A96 at Keith a 26 year old male was charged with dangerous driving.

On 23 April following a two vehicle collision on the A96 at Keith a 27 year old male was subsequently traced and charged with dangerous driving and failing to stop or report an accident.

# FORRES, SPEYSIDE AND GLENLIVET

# ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, VIOLENCE AND DISORDER

Anti-social behaviour patrols have continued which have resulted in a number of stop searches where drugs have been recovered and persons reported to the Procurator Fiscal. This was in Forres and Rothes. There has also been an increase in licensed premises checks during this time and these have been very positive. The behaviour of customers has been positive on the whole and where there has been an issue this has been swiftly dealt with by Police.

#### <u>Dyke</u>

On 12 April 2019 a walker reported seeing a youth draw a Swastika type symbol on the concrete pillar of the bridge at the Broom of Moy. A 14 year old youth was later charged with the offence.

On 27 April 2019 there was further incident of livestock worrying where a dog was is a field of sheep at Dunphail. Enquiries are ongoing but the owner of the dog has been identified and will be dealt with appropriately.

#### Findhorn & Kinloss

Between the 20 and 21 April 2019 the bird hide at Findhorn Bay had been damaged along with some camping chairs that were there for use of bird watchers. A press release was issued but to do date there has been no information forthcoming as to who may be responsible.

#### **Forres**

On 26 April 2019 an assault occurred at a bar in Forres whereby a male sustained a fractured jaw. The incident was captured on CCTV. A 26 year old male appeared in court as a result.

#### <u>Heldon</u>

On 06 April 2019 there was a dog reported amongst sheep in a field near Dallas. Four lambs died as a result. A 38 year old male was charged with an offence regarding the worrying of livestock. A report will be sent to the Procurator Fiscal.

# **ROAD SAFETY**

#### Forres

On 28 April 2019 a 28 year old male was arrested for various road traffic offences for his manner of driving along roads in Forres. He subsequently crashed his vehicle on Victoria Road. Along with the initial offences he was also charged with threatening and abusive behaviour. He appeared in court the following day.

#### <u>A96</u>

On 15 April 2019 vehicle was seen to be driven in excess of the speed limit on A96 near to Alves. The vehicle was doing 84 mph when carrying out an overtaking manouvere then lost control. A 25 year old female was reported to the Procurator Fiscal.

# ELGIN LOSSIEMOUTH, FOCHABERS AREA POLICING TEAMS

# ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, VIOLENCE AND DISORDER

#### <u>Elgin</u>

About 0140 hours on Sunday 21 April 2019, a 24 year old male punched and broke a glass pane at Joanna's nightclub, City Arms Close, Elgin. Accused was arrested, charged and a report was submitted to the Procurator Fiscal.

#### Lossiemouth

Sometime between the evening of Sunday 7 April 2019 and the morning of Monday 8 April 2019, a window of a residential property was smashed in the St Margaret's Crescent area of Lossiemouth. Enquiries on-going.

About 0245 hours on Monday 8 April 2019 a window of a residential property was smashed in the Prospect View area of Lossiemouth. A suspect has not yet been identified for this crime.

#### <u>Lennox</u>

About 2200 hours on 1 April 2019, a shower curtain rail and a mirror were damaged within the laundry room at Burnside Caravan Park, Fochabers. Enquiries on-going.

# **ACQUISITIVE CRIME**

#### Elgin

About 1300 hours on 2 April 2019, a 51 year old local female stole items to the sum of £16.06 from Lidl, Elgin. The female has been charged and a report will be submitted to the Procurator Fiscal.

About 1345 hours on Monday 8 April 2019, a 25 year old local male stole various items from Tesco, Elgin. The male has been charged and issued with a recorded Police warning.

About 1250 hours on 20 April 2019, a 16 year old female stole various cosmetic and food items from Asda, Elgin to the sum of £223.38. The female was arrested, charged and released from Police Custody on an Undertaking to appear at Elgin Sheriff Court.

#### Lossiemouth

Sometime between 0650 and 0820 hours on Wednesday 10 April 2019, a mountain bike was stolen from a garden within Fulmar Road, Lossiemouth. Enquiries on-going.

# **ROAD SAFETY**

#### Elgin

About 1315 hours on 16 April 2019, a vehicle collided with another vehicle at Southfield Drive, Elgin before driving away. The offender has been traced and charged and a report will be submitted to the Procurator Fiscal.

On 17 April 2019, Roads Policing Officers carried out a static speed check at Birnie Road, Elgin. During this, a 61 year old male was charged with driving in excess of the speed limit. A report has been submitted to the Procurator Fiscal.

#### <u>Lennox</u>

About 1500 hours on Friday 12 April 2019, a vehicle collided with another vehicle on High Street, Fochabers causing damage to the wing mirror. The offending vehicle has been identified however the driver is still to be traced, as it fled after the collision.

#### **Burghead**

At some point in the evening of Friday 15 March 2019, a vehicle parked on Granary Street, Burghead was damaged. Enquiries on-going.

# Police Scotland - SHUT OUT SCAMMERS

Police Scotland launched it Shut Out Scammers campaign on 15 April. It primarily focusses on doorstep crime prevention, as well as other scams that have a detrimental impact on householders including mail, telephone and online. We have highlighted these concerns before in the monthly meeting report and it continues to be an issue. As well as the financial loss suffered, many victims of fraud also suffer the emotional distress as well as psychological with the crimes suffered leaving them feeling more vulnerable. So as a reminder large some of the most well known scams are as follows:

Fake emails – emails that appear to be from HMRC, BT, asking you to follow the link saying that you are owed a rebate or are due them money. Either way they will ask you to follow the link then ask you enter your bank details where they will then proceed to take funds from your account. The genuine companies will not ask you to do this. Always use genuine numbers to call companies and not those listed on any email.

Fake calls – callers report to be from large companies generally internet based saying there is a problem with your internet and they will ask you to log on with your computer. They will then either guide you through various steps until they have control of your computer where they will look for bank details again or ask you to enter details to their "secure" email. Your internet company will not cold call you and ask you do to do this. A clue is often the caller will not know which company you are with, they will not know your full name and address, they will not know how you pay your bill (quarterly/direct debit), they will not know all the services you already have. Do not give your details, ask questions and you find they hang up.

Fake calls – caller pretends to be from HMRC saying you owe them tax and ask you to provide bank account details then take your money. This is not how HMRC will deal with unpaid tax. They can also pretend to be from your bank and say there is strange activity on your account and ask you to transfer money to a "safe" account they have set up. Do not do this it is another scam and they will take your money. These people can sound very convincing and it is their job to get your money. Doorstep crime – Callers to the door offering services such as gardening or home maintenance at inflated prices, or offering to do a minor job such as cleaning guttering then pretending they have noticed a more serious problem and asking for more money. They might have a company name on their vehicle but it is not normally local and tend to have only a mobile number listed. If you need a job done then get a quote from more than one tradesman so you can compare prices or ask by word of mouth who to use. There are websites that also show trusted companies and independent reviews.

The Little Book of Big Scams is a good website that lists all common scams.

# **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-launchescommunity-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 0915-1445	MONDAY TO THURSDAY 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:www.scotland.police.ukTwitter:@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