



# 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

## **POLICE STATION PUBLIC COUNTER OPENING HOURS**

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

<b>BUCKIE</b>	0700 - 1700	7 DAYS
<b>ELGIN</b>	0700 - MIDNIGHT	7 DAYS
<b>FORRES</b>	0915 - 1715	MONDAY TO THURSDAY
	0915 - 1445	FRIDAY
<b>KEITH</b>	0815 - 1600	MONDAY TO FRIDAY
<b>LOSSIEMOUTH</b>	0900 - 1700	MONDAY TO FRIDAY
<b>ROTHES</b>	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.uk](http://www.scotland.police.uk)

**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](http://www.moray.gov.uk/moray_standard/page_103264.html)

## Community Safety and Antisocial Behaviour

Stats for February 2020

Community Council Area	Abandoned Vehicle	Environmental	Neighbours	Noise	Other	Rowdy Behaviour	Grand Total
Elgin	3	7	4	8	1	1	24
Buckie & District		4	2	5	2		13
Lossiemouth	5	4	2	2			13
Forres	4	4	1	4			13
Keith	4	1		1			6
Innes	2			1	1	1	5
Cullen & Deskford			1	1	1		3
Speyside	1	1				1	3
Lennox		1		2			3
Findochty	2						2
Burghead & Cummington				1			1
n/a					1		1
Dufftown & District		1					1
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>88</b>

\*Environmental Issues include Dog Fouling, Littering, Fly Tipping and Graffiti.

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



## **Community Engagement & Reassurance**

During February we have seen several Thefts from business premises, where tools or other such items have been stolen. Whilst thankfully there has not been huge numbers of these types of crimes, I do see some are linked due to occurring on the same night, with the same type of more rural commercial premises being targeted and tools being the item of choice to steal, amongst other things.

With this, I would urge our communities to against these incidents at all times of the day and taking into consideration all types of property, but I would also ask us to think about the security of our properties as well as security marking.

Community Safety have recently circulated details of how to mark your property and what with, which was very timely and advises to mark with permanent or UV type pens, or indeed use colourless liquid solutions.

February saw me join Chief Superintendent Thomson at the Police and Fire and Rescue Services Committee, as he presented on the performance report for the last quarter (Apr – Sept 2019). Whilst there is no doubt that there was a continuation of improved performance in Moray and I am proud to be part of the collaborative with partners and communities that contributes towards this, I am equally conscious as to the effect complacency can have, hence there is always room for improvement and the continued review of how we do our business.

I hear a lot of people say that we live in a safe area, which I wholeheartedly agree with, but rest assured we will continue to strive for a safer community.

At this same meeting, I would like to highlight that I undertook to organise a Short Life Working Group to look at Road Safety in Moray, particularly around the issue of Community Speedwatch, which was the topic of much discussion at the meeting. I was grateful for the viewpoints of those present, which as a collective will be considered.

I know this is an issue that has been raised before and forms part of our drive to improve Road Safety, so I will keep you informed at the appropriate junctures of any developments.

In the meantime, may I wish a happy and healthy March.

Norman Stevenson  
Chief Inspector



## **Buckie & Keith Community Council Report**

### **COMMUNITY COUNCIL REPORT**

This report covers progress we have made in dealing with your priorities for the Buckie and Keith Policing areas during the period of January 2020.

The report aims to highlight emerging issues in your area, and to provide crime prevention advice and guidance to Community Council members and residents you represent. Our focus is to reduce crime and disorder, help create safer communities and respond effectively to local concerns.

### **Local Policing Priorities**

#### **Antisocial Behaviour, Violence and Disorder:**

##### **BUCKIE**

There have been seven assaults reported during this period. Of the seven incidents five have been detected thus far and are subject of reports to the Procurator Fiscal.

Three vandalisms have been reported. Two relating to damage caused to motor cars. The first occurred on 14 February 2020, on West Church Street, Buckie and the other on 20 February 2020, at St Peters Road, Buckie. Positive lines of enquiry are being pursued in respect of the second incident.

During February 2020, a total of five separate drugs recoveries were made and will result in reports to the Procurator Fiscal.

##### **KEITH**

One assault has been reported to the Police in Keith this month. This crime has been detected and reported to the Procurator Fiscal.

Two vandalism have been reported, one where graffiti was sprayed onto a wall at Hospital Lane, Keith. This crime is still be investigated.

As the result of the execution of a drug search warrant, several thousands of pounds of controlled drugs were recovered from a property in Keith. The drugs recovered included heroin, Cannabis and diazepam. Two males have been charged with various offences under the Misuse of Drugs Act.

## **Acquisitive Crime**

### **BUCKIE**

Four crimes of dishonesty have been reported to the Police. Three of these relate to break-ins to business premises. Enquiries into these have resulted in an individual being reported to the Procurator Fiscal for breaking into the Original Factory Shop and the Craigenroan Bar. Police continue to investigate the incident at Victoria Park where a shop was broken into, a media appeal has been made seeking assistance.

### **KEITH**

During February, an attempt was made to break into a property on Land Street, Keith, the culprits were unsuccessful in these attempts.

A theft was reported to Police of a personal item left within a changing room at Keith Grammar School. Enquiry continues to be made into this.

## **Road Safety & Road Crime**

### **BUCKIE**

During February, two drivers have been reported to the Procurator Fiscal for being unfit to drive as a result of being under the influence of drugs and alcohol. Two other drivers have been reported for failing to have insurance for their vehicles.

Investigations are currently ongoing into a reported dangerous driving on the A98 near to the Clochan junction and a further incident of careless driving at Arradoul where a pedestrian was struck.

### **KEITH**

Police are investigating a hit and run road accident which occurred at Nelson Court, Keith, whereby a parked vehicle was damaged. A positive line of enquiry is being pursued.

Two drivers have been reported for speeding offences by Roads Policing colleagues after they were caught travelling at 88 and 89 miles per hour respectively.

## Community Engagement & Reassurance

Police are continuing to search for missing Findochty man **John Loughrie**.



John has been missing from his home since Sunday 9 February 2020. Since his disappearance specialist search trained officers have supported local Officers in conducting searches and enquiries, which have focussed in and around Findochty. Colleagues from the Maritime and Coastguard Agency have played a vital role in supporting searches.

Police would like to thank the community of Findochty for their support and patients as house to house enquiries and searches of gardens and out buildings have been made.

We continue to appeal for any information regarding John and would ask that Police Scotland are contacted on 101 quoting incident number 2740 of 9 February 2020.

Inspector Mike McKenzie

Buckie and Keith Community Policing Team



## **Elgin Community Council Report**

### **Community Council Report**

This report covers progress we have made in dealing with your priorities for the Elgin Community Policing Team area during the period of January 2020.

The report aims to highlight emerging issues in your area, and to provide crime prevention advice and guidance to Community Council members and residents you represent. Our focus is to reduce crime and disorder, help create safer communities and respond effectively to local concerns.

### **Local Policing Priorities**

#### **Antisocial Behaviour, Violence and Disorder**

This month my officers have dealt with some sporadic incidents of vandalism including a damaged fence on Morriston Road and a broken window at an address in the Kingsmills area. A 14-year-old youth and a 31-year-old man were dealt with for these offences. Enquiries are ongoing into some minor damage caused to three vehicles in the Lesmurdie, Bishopmill and Edgar Road areas and a bus that had a window damaged while parked in the Lossie Green car park.

There was 1 serious assault this month which occurred on Reiket Lane and Officers are following a positive line of enquiry. An 18-year-old was charged with assaulting a group of youths following a disturbance on the outskirts of Elgin. The perpetrator and victims were known to each other and had been socialising together prior to the incident. There were 5 common assaults with a domestic element and 2 of these occurred within licensed premises.

In relation to drugs activity, this month my officers have recovered quantities of Cocaine, Heroin, Cannabis and class C drugs from a number of individuals. A search warrant was executed at an address near the town centre and 3 people were arrested for drug supply with various substances seized for analysis. Two people were apprehended while in possession of controlled drugs within a licensed premises. The age of the offenders range from 15 to 35.

## Acquisitive Crime

A 30-year-old woman was charged with stealing a wallet from an address in Bishopmill and Detectives are investigating a break-in to a house on Hamilton Drive which occurred during the day-time on Thursday 13 February. A quantity of jewellery and other personal items were stolen. A shed was broken into on Fulmar



Road where a small quantity of alcohol was stolen and attempts were made to break-in to 3 houses on Newmill Road, Birnie Circle and Birnie Drive.

Enquiries are ongoing and targeted patrols, including PC McKay on his bicycle as seen below, have been carried out in these areas with no further crimes reported. There have been no robberies this month.

## Road Safety & Road Crime

This month my officers charged a 20-year-old after his vehicle was driven carelessly on the High Street and two drivers aged 20 and 21 after they were detected speeding in the town. An 18-year-old was charged after his vehicle was found to have defective tyres and an excessively loud exhaust. Drivers aged 36 and 54 were arrested for driving while under the influence.

## Community Engagement & Reassurance

This month, our Elgin community initiative 'PuPS' (Pop up Police Surgery) took place at Elgin library and at a local supermarket where shoppers took the opportunity to speak to Community Officer, PC Jamie Dey, to ask for advice and to discuss local issues. A colouring in competition for young shoppers resulted in 15 winners and all are invited to a guided tour of the Police station during the Easter holidays.

I am keen to have a regular Police presence at the High School/Academy so that we can build positive relationships with staff and pupils and this month we met with the respective Head teachers to finalise plans for regular 'PuPS' at both schools.

On 7 February, we supported a 'Speedwatch' event at New Elgin Primary where local officers teamed up with Junior Road Safety Officers (pictured below with PC Clark) to give advice to drivers and to encourage responsible driving near schools in our communities.





On 25 February, as part of our 'In Moray' collaboration with Wave Radio, PC Jamie Dey was interviewed live on air where he gave an insight into his role as Community Police Officer, gave crime prevention advice and discussed other local issues. The show will be repeated on [waveradio.org.uk](http://waveradio.org.uk) on Tuesday 12 March.

This month my officers have carried out plain clothes patrols in and around the area of the St Giles Centre and Elgin Library to monitor and address reports of anti-social behaviour.

Andrew Wilson  
Inspector  
Elgin Community Policing Team  
30 January 2020



## **Heldon, Laich, Lossiemouth & Fochabers Community Council Report**

This report covers progress we have made in dealing with your priorities for the Lossiemouth & Fochabers Community Policing Team area during the period of January 2020.

The report aims to highlight emerging issues in your area, and to provide crime prevention advice and guidance to Community Council members and residents you represent. Our focus is to reduce crime and disorder, help create safer communities and respond effectively to local concerns

### **Local Policing Priorities**

#### **Antisocial Behaviour, Violence and Disorder**

There have been 3 Vandalisms to windows at residential properties and a car window smashed in Lossiemouth over the period.

A commercial property window was also damaged and a male has been identified for this.

There was damage to bins and rubbish scattered at Seapark, Hopeman, but unfortunately at this time, persons have been charged.

There have been 5 domestic incidents, 2 in Lossiemouth, 1 in Roseisle area and 2 in Fochabers, resulting in various threats/assault charges. The perpetrators have all been dealt with and the victims supported.

An assault occurred within Lossiemouth High School and with a positive line of enquiry as to the identity of the person responsible, the investigation is ongoing.

During the period there was a report of a dog out of control in Burghead, which is being investigated.

There were 2 incidents of juveniles carrying knives and causing a disturbance. The individuals involved are being reported through our Youth Justice Management Unit and there is multi-agency involvement in terms of the continued education of children and the support that is provided to any persons affected by such crimes. Thankfully the knives were found in situations that were not necessarily threatening, but we take these incidents very seriously and investigate all angles.

3 Police Search Warrants were executed in Lossiemouth over the period and as a result a quantity of controlled drugs and other evidence of drug dealing was found. One person has been charged as a result and further persons are likely to be charged at completion of the enquiry.

## **Acquisitive Crime**

During the reporting period there was a theft of tools from a motor vehicle in Burghead and fuel stolen from a lorry in Lossiemouth. Containers were targeted at a farm premises in Duffus where tools were stolen.

5 copper drums of significant value were also stolen from Roseisle maltings.

There were other thefts in the form of a shoplifting of alcohol in Lossiemouth and a packet of cigarettes stolen from a shed in Mosstodloch. Positives lines of enquiry are being pursued in respect of these crimes.

There was a fraud and an attempted fraud at Duffus and Hopeman Post Offices. These were linked to a crime spree across the Division. Those responsible have been identified as not belonging to the area and are being sought. Further frauds reported involved a transaction over Gumtree and failure to pay a taxi fare.

## **Road Safety & Road Crime**

During the reporting period there was one incident of Drink Driving in Lossiemouth, and 2 incidents of speeding, in Duffus and Mosstodloch as well as other minor road traffic offences detected. Reports have been submitted to the Procurator Fiscal accordingly.

## **Community Engagement & Reassurance**

We continue to engage in proactive work in relation to anti-social behaviour and drug dealing.

Community Officer Banford and Officer Miller have been out and about knocking on doors, carrying out leaflet drops and manning the mobile Police Unit in order to engage with the Community and listen to your concerns.

We Police by consent, and as such, need the community's assistance to be our eyes and ears where we cannot always be, and share information with us, to allow us to take robust action against those individuals involved in criminality. In other words, if you tell us, you have my assurances we will do our best to address it!

Positive results this month are the result of such continued partnership with our community.



If you are looking to share any information regarding potential drug dealing or anti-social behaviour in your area, please contact 101 or you can report anonymously via Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

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## **Forres & Speyside Community Council Report**

### **Community Council Report**

This report covers progress we have made in dealing with your priorities for the Forres and Speyside Community Council area during the period 01 January to 31 January 2019.

The report aims to highlight emerging issues in your area, and to provide crime prevention advice and guidance to Community Council members and residents you represent. Our focus is to reduce crime and disorder, help create safer communities and respond effectively to local concerns.

### **Local Policing Priorities**

#### **Antisocial behaviour, Violence and Disorder**

Plain clothes patrols took place during February around the Forres area to tackle a rise in anti-social behaviour. This included attending on the High Street, Forres, during lunch times where a rise in complaints about youths dropping litter and misbehaving in shops had come to our attention. I am pleased to report that behaviour during lunchtimes appeared to be good and any children that were spoken to were well mannered. During the evenings there were two assaults between children and in these instances the offenders will be reported to our Youth Justice Management Unit.

On 20 February 2020, there was an incident at Christies Nurseries where a number of windows were broken and tunnels ripped. Police are appealing for anyone with information as to who is responsible to contact us.

#### **Acquisitive Crime**

Frauds perpetrated over the phone are still coming to our attention. The latest version is that the scammers will call pretending to offer money to be returned for cancelling a subscription to Amazon and then when you provide your bank details they will take money from the account. Any company offering a rebate for over paid subscriptions should be able to send a cheque for you to cash so do not give out your details. Again some have been calling pretending to offer insurance for appliances such as washing machines and TV's at low prices. Again they will ask for your full bank details and once they have them they will remove money from your account. If you wish such insurance you can contact a reputable company yourself or use a reputable company over the internet.

A number of males from the Nottingham area were reported to the Procurator Fiscal for uttering forged currency in the Forres area. It is reminder to all taxi operatives, eateries and shops to check currency. In this case it was £20 notes that were passed.

## **Road Safety & road crime**

Mortlach Primary was checked as was Pilmuir Primary due to reported problems with parents parking. Officers spoke to a number of drivers with advice about inconsiderate parking such as stopping in the space set aside for the school bus and parking on double yellow lines. They will return at a later date and any offenders will be issued tickets.

Parking problems have also been reported in Findhorn and Officers are aware of the problems and to give passing attention. They will issue tickets to vehicles parking on double yellows or parked on the pavement trying to avoid the double yellow lines.

Roads Policing Officers have been assisting in the area again to help with road traffic issues and an 18 year old female was charged with Dangerous driving and failing to stop for Police on the A96 near to Forres. A 30 year old male was also charged with speeding at the Brodie crawler lane heading towards Nairn. A 38 year old male was charged with speeding in the 50mph area on the A941 to Rothes he has been reported to the Procurator Fiscal.

## **Community Engagement & Reassurance**

Inspector Kerry Rigg has now taken over as the Forres Inspector and will be looking to visit the Community Council Meetings to say hello and introduce herself over the next few months. Inspector Rigg currently works in the Lossiemouth CPT and is to now cover both CPTs as the Policing areas for Inspectors have been re-aligned.

I have to thank you all very much for your support and endeavour in helping me address all the issues that we collectively face day to day.

For the foreseeable future, I will be working in a role that supports the wider Partnership and focusses on the Health and Wellbeing of staff, so won't be far away.

We are coming into lighter nights and early mornings are starting to become lighter, but remember to keep your lights on your bikes. In addition a good bike lock is important even if you are securing it only for a short time outside a shop, so please be sure to lock it up. When at home the best place is inside a garage or shed but still with the bike lock on to deter anyone cycling it away.

With the weather still being unpredictable keep your washers topped up, lights bright and clean and ensure any snow is cleared from your car before you start your journey. This ensures that your vision is clear out of every window but stops a large chunk of ice or snow ending up on the windscreen of a passing vehicle because you have been lazy.

Take a few extra minutes to check on any elderly or vulnerable neighbours or those in more remote houses and if you are out in a more rural area, please carry your mobile phone in your pocket in case you do slip or fall you can call for help.

Keli McPhail  
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Forres and Speyside Community Policing Team  
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