



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

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| 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 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 01343 563134

Office

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



**Chief Inspector
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POILEAS ALBA

The weather for most of July has been fabulous, which will be a delight for all parents now that the school holidays are here. The Re:Connect program, aimed at young people has been tremendous and I am so proud of the team. I happened upon the basketball session within the Asda car park and was so pleased to hear the noise of youngsters connecting with people they have never met and just getting on with being active and enjoying themselves. The Re:Connect team are working hard to provide as much as they can for all abilities that will take them beyond the school holidays, so keep an eye out for the program of events.



With the good weather, we have been enjoying all sorts of water sports, but please keep yourself safe and look out for others when doing this. I'm not confident in the water myself, but I realise it is so easy to get taken beyond my limits, so I keep a sharp eye on safety equipment that is there should it be needed. There is some great advice about how to enjoy the water safely, but also how to get yourself to safety and who to call upon if in trouble. I hope you have all managed to watch the videos, view the posters and have seen the news releases and stay safe.

Norman Stevenson





STAYING SAFE IN AND AROUND SCOTLAND'S WATERS

Stop and Think Spot the dangers

If you are thinking of being near or entering the water, have you considered the following?

Scotland's Waters can be very cold even in the summer which can lead to Cold Water Shock

For more information: watersafety.scotland.org.uk/coldwatershock

Keep off all frozen waters, they may not be able to handle the weight of a person

Check for any signage or flags which could warn you of potential dangers

Alcohol/drugs and coastal or inland waters don't mix - they can reduce coordination and impair judgement and reaction times

The depth of the water may hide underwater ledges, hidden currents and unseen items

Be aware of other water activities that may pose a threat to you

If it is safe to enter the water, ensure you have a safe way out

If you are at the coast have you considered rip currents, offshore winds and the tide?

Stay Together Stay close

It is better to go near the water with a friend or family member

Float - If you are in trouble in the water, float until you feel calm... then think what to do next

If you fall into water, fight your instinct to swim until cold water shock passes

Lean back, extend your arms and legs

If you need to, gently move them around to help you float

Float until you can control your breathing

Then call for help or swim to safety

In an Emergency

If you see someone in trouble DO NOT enter the water

Look for a throw line or life ring to help whilst you wait on the emergency services

Call 999 or 112

For inland waters ask for the Fire and Rescue Service

For coastal waters ask for the Coastguard

TOP TIP: Thinking of taking part in a planned activity?

To enjoy your activity to the full, check that your provider is fully insured, with skilled staff and the relevant accreditation.



Moray East Community Council Report

This report covers progress we have made in dealing with your priorities for the Buckie and Keith Community Policing Team areas during the period of June 2021.

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 Area

During the course of the month, Officers responded to eight reports of Assault in Buckie, all but one have been detected and reported accordingly. Enquiries are ongoing into this outstanding incident with positive lines of enquiry being examined.

Ten incidents of vandalism have been reported and subject to Police investigation. In many cases the damage was caused to parked vehicles, however mobile and foot patrols have been increased to deter such crimes and to gather information and intelligence regarding those who may be involved in such conduct.

Enquiries are ongoing into two incidents involving the possession of controlled substances with positive lines of enquiry being examined.

During the course of enquiries it has been identified that many of the incidents are suspected to involve antisocial behaviour from those under the influence of alcohol and controlled substances. Increased and targeted patrols are being conducted in the Buckie area to tackle this issue with further work being developed to address the underlying factors.

Keith Area

During the course of the month, Officers responded to three reports of Assault in Keith, all but one have been detected and reported accordingly. Enquiries are ongoing into this outstanding incident with positive lines of enquiry being examined.

Acquisitive Crime:

Buckie Area

During the course of the month, Officers responded to four reports of Theft in the Buckie Area. A number of persons have been reported and enquiries are ongoing in respect of the others with CCTV, named suspects and positive lines of enquiry being developed. Two frauds have also been reported which are subject to ongoing enquiry.

The majority of incidents relate to opportunistic thefts resulting insecure premises and the theft of goods from theft by shops. Crime Prevention advice and support has been provided in an attempt to combat such opportunistic activities.

Keith Area

One incident of fraud involving the unauthorised access of a personal account occurred after the subject failed to protect her banking data, the suspects are known the subject and positive lines of enquiry are ongoing. Enquiries have commenced and are ongoing into the theft of a motor vehicle after the keys were left within.

Road Safety & road crime:

Buckie Area

Road traffic offences detected this reporting period included a number of incidents involving drink driving, no MOT, no insurance and defective vehicle components which have resulted in the owners being report to the Procurator Fiscal's Service.

Reports continue to be received in respect of anti-social driving in and around the Keith area. Patrols have been increased and tasking submitted to the Road Policing Unit to increase patrols in the area. In addition an intelligence led operation is being developed for the Keith Area to target those strongly suspected of anti-social driving.

During this period the officers based at Buckie and Keith have been employed their recent training in the use laser speed detection equipment and five motorists have been warned. Where driving standards allow, the approach being taken across the area is enforcement through education rather than enforcement. Increased checks are scheduled across the area over the coming month.

Community Engagement & Reassurance

Street Soccer



During the School holidays, Active Schools Moray and Police Scotland have been carrying out Street Soccer at the AstroTurf pitches in Buckie.

Buckie Thistle have also been attending each week.

The aim of the initiative is to provide free access to recreational football sessions in an attempt to minimise anti-social crime in the local area, an input from Police Scotland is carried out at half time.

The sessions have proved to be extremely popular and will continue to run throughout the school holidays. Looking forward, we hope to run further sessions in the future

and have seen the positive impact of these sessions.

Underage Drinking and Antisocial Behaviour Initiative

Foot patrols have also been carried out in the local area with the assistance of local Youth Workers with numerous youths being spoken to and provided with information about free activities ongoing in the local area.

In August 2021 the Canteen Cops initiative will be relaunched. This is the ongoing initiative to build confidence and rapport with youths/pupils by having Police Officers attend at school canteens during lunch hour, making themselves available to answer questions and chat with pupils. During these conversations it will assist in our understanding as to why issues at the weekends and evenings are happening and how they, the pupils, feel that the issues could be solved.

Road Safety – Parking and Speeding

In August we are going to be carrying out speed checks around the Buckie and Keith areas, focusing on local schools areas.

Foot patrols are also planned and the focus will be on parking issues which in turn are causing road safety concerns.

Awareness Profile

Help us Stop Crime in your Community



When you contact CrimeStoppers they guarantee your anonymity whether this is by phone or by using their online form.

- CrimeStoppers is not the police – they are an independent charity working to help communities.
- Nobody will know you have helped CrimeStoppers – your computer and mobile phone IP addresses cannot be tracked or saved. It's completely anonymous.

By speaking to someone at CrimeStoppers, or completing a simple online form, you are able to ensure that the information will be directed to the relevant police force.

None of your personal details will be shared, however when engaging with CrimeStoppers there is an option, if you wish, to keep in contact.

By creating an anonymous login it will allow CrimeStoppers to make contact in case they need to clarify any of the information provided or if any further information comes to light that you wish to add.

Again all your details will always be completely anonymous and cannot be traced to you.



The Police Scotland website contains the 'Contact Us' section and provides guidance and direction in respect of contacting the police by means of their online 'Contact Us' form.

This is a simple and quick form that can be filled in on line which allows us to gather information quickly and efficiently to try and tackle problems in our communities.

Contact Us - <https://www.scotland.police.uk/secureforms/contact/>

Alternatively you can also contact the police by:

Dialing 999 in an emergency

Phoning 101 for non-emergencies

In writing – to PO BOX 2460, Dalmarnock, Glasgow, G40 9BA

What information will make the difference...

Any information that you can provide, no matter how insignificant you may feel it is can make the difference and allow us to disrupt criminal activity and anti-social behavior happening in your area.

However, the more we get the more effective we can be...

If you can tell us:

Who is or has done it?

Tell CrimeStoppers or Police Scotland who is or has done it – this could be a name, a nickname or just a description. Even something like a distinguishing mark, tattoo or an accent, anything that will assist the police in assessing and developing the information provided.

What is or has happened?

Tell CrimeStoppers or Police Scotland what is or has happened – this could be a crime, antisocial behavior or just something that looks or feels odd or suspicious!

Where is it or did it happen?

Tell CrimeStoppers or Police Scotland where this is or has happened – this could be an address, a public space or a specific location. As much detail as possible will assist the police in assessing and developing the information provided.

When is it or did it happened?

Tell CrimeStoppers or Police Scotland when it is or has happened – this could be a one off incident or it could be a reoccurring situation. Accurate times and dates allow the police to explore other sources of information to create a timeline of events. This helps in the solving of crime but also the in prevention of future crimes and incidents.

Why is it or did it happen?

Tell CrimeStoppers or Police Scotland why, if you know or suspect you know why, this is or has happened – it may not be clear and you may not know but there might be something that can be done to stop it happening again!

How is it or did it happen?

Tell CrimeStoppers or Police Scotland how this is or has happened – again, any detail, no matter how small and in as much detail as possible will assist the police in assessing and developing the information provided.

If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me at either of the CPT email addresses.

Kind regards

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Moray West Community Council Report

Community Council Report

This report covers progress we have made in dealing with your priorities for the Lossiemouth & Fochabers and Forres Community Policing Team areas during the period of June 2021.

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:

Lossiemouth & Fochabers Area

During the reporting period, four Assaults were reported across the Lossiemouth and Fochabers area. Three of the crimes resulted in persons being reported with active enquiries ongoing into the other incident. None of the incidents involved serious injury.

Two reports of vandalism were received, one in Lossiemouth at the High School, the other in Burghead at the Community Garden. Enquiries are ongoing into these incidents with a positive lines of enquiry established.

A drugs search warrant was executed at an address in Lossiemouth which resulted in the recovery of a quantity of cannabis and one person has been reported accordingly.

Forres Area

Over the course of the month, eight Assaults were reported with persons being reported in four on the incidents. Enquiries are ongoing into the others. Of note, one incident related to the assault of two males and theft of property. I am pleased to report that this matter was quickly dealt with and five persons have been reported accordingly.

Ten vandalisms were committed with three incidents resulting in persons being charged and enquiries ongoing into the others.

Speyside Area

Two reports of Assault were received, one in the Aberlour area, the other in Ballindalloch. One person was reported and in the other, it was established that no crime had taken place.

Three vandalisms were reported. Two are actively being investigated and in the case of the other it was established that no crime had taken place.

Acquisitive Crime:

Lossiemouth & Fochabers Area

Over the course of the reporting period, six thefts were reported in the Lossiemouth area. One in particular related to the theft of a low three figure sum of money from a licensed premises. Enquiries are ongoing into these incidents.

I am pleased to report that there was no reports of thefts in the Fochabers area.

Forres Area

Four reports of Theft were reported in the Forres area. Two related to bikes being stolen and in one case it was later recovered.

Speyside Area

I am again pleased to report that there was no reports of theft during the reporting period in the Speyside area.

Road Safety & road crime:

Lossiemouth & Fochabers Area

A small number of motorists have been reported for speeding offences and other minor road traffic offences such as careless driving. Disappointingly, one person was charged with being over the prescribed alcohol limit and another failed to provide a sample of breath when suspected to be under the influence.

Enquiries are ongoing into a road traffic accident in Hopeman where the driver responsible failed to stop at the scene however there was no injury sustained.

Forres Area

It is pleasing to note that no persons were detected speeding. Our Officers have been proactive in targeting areas where we have received complaints about excess speeding.



On persons was reported for driving with no insurance and enquiries are ongoing into an accident whereby the driver responsible failed to stop. It should be noted however that no injury occurred

Speyside Area

One person was reported for careless driving in the Aberlour area. Again disappointingly, one person was reported for driving with excess alcohol in the Rothes area during which they also drove dangerously.

Community Engagement & Reassurance

As the summer months have progressed regular patrols of areas have taken place at different time of the day and night with a view to providing the communities reassurance that we are acting on the information they are providing relative areas where anti-social behaviour may be an issue. I am happy to report that issues previously reported upon in Rothes appear to have abated and we continue to monitor this closely.

Our Community Officers have been helping out with the re:connect programme of events for youths which has been a great success across the area and have generated some tangible possible feedback from the youths who attended. Particular thanks go to Tesco for allowing use of their car park and providing snacks and also the playing and coaching staff of Forres Mechanics FC and Forres Thistle FC for giving up their valuable time to help with the sessions.



Regards

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Moray Central 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 June 2021.

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:

Vandalism

July saw 10 instances of Vandalism being reported to Police. Four of the incidents took place during other incidents such as damaging property during an assault or a domestic incident.

Only one Vandalism this month relates to a commercial premises with the others taking place at residential properties.

Assault

There were 21 reported assaults this month, these included 3 on licenced premises and one in another commercial premises.

One assault has been classed as serious with the two persons responsible identified, charged and released on an Undertaking to appear at court on a later date.

Drugs:

5 persons were found in possession of personal amounts of Cannabis this month and were cautioned and charged with the offence.

Two other persons have been found with personal amounts of white powder which is believed to be controlled drugs. The substances will be sent to the forensic laboratory to establish what they are.

Acquisitive Crime:

Theft

July has seen 8 instances of theft by shoplifting reported to Police with another 3 thefts being reported. One from a commercial premises and one from a residential property.

3 Theft by Housebreakings were also reported. This included one male being charged with stealing pigeons from residential properties. A farm was also broken into, with a quad bike being stolen and a local veterinary practice was also broken into. Enquiries are ongoing in respect of these.

Road Safety & Road Crime:

Across Elgin the Roads department and the community Policing team have been out continuing to tackle the issues surrounding Road traffic issues and antisocial behaviour.

A 24 year old male was charged with drink driving and careless driving having crashed his car on the A941 Elgin to Lossiemouth Road. A report has been submitted to the Procurator Fiscal.

On a routine stop check a 20 year old male was found to have been driving without a valid MOT and was in possession of a personal amount of Cannabis.

A 65 year old male has been charged with careless driving having driven through a red traffic light in the Bishopmill area.

Community Engagement & Reassurance:

PC Jamie Dey along with Active Schools enjoyed some street football during the recent period of warm weather. These will continue over the coming months along with other activities.



Jamie also spent time with the Moray Wellbeing hub champions.

Jamie also worked with The Elgin Youth Café at the cooper part taking part in their film project as part of the RE:CONNECT summer programme.



Regards

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As we enter the peak of the summer tourist season we are seeing an increased level of travel and visitors to the area. SFRS are beginning to see an increase on the number of callouts to small fires predominantly in wooded or remote locations in the Moray area. A targeted partnership approach has been developed to target these incidents through intervention, engagement and information sharing.

Crews from Lossiemouth are experiencing an increased number of call outs to the Lossie woods where small fires and BBQ's have left unattended. The local crew alongside the Forest Rangers have been actively targeting this area delivering key safety messages and encouraging members of the public to refrain from such activities. Posters have been pinned in the area and shared with visitors in an attempt to highlight these issues.

Last month we held a multi-agency event in the Roseisle area supported by Police Scotland and Forestry and land Scotland. The event was planned by WC Gareth Luce of Elgin Fire Station supported by crews from Fochabers, Buckie and Lossiemouth. The event was a great success having been able to engage with members of the public from the local area and others from further afield visiting the area on holiday. WC Luce has arranged another event for August which is already being shared across the area through school's sites, local premises and social media.



Dufftown has seen the opening of a new caravan park in the recent months. Local crews have taken the opportunity to visit the site to engage with the management teams and guest to the site. Valuable safety advice has been given on caravan fire safety and wider on general summer safety matters.

Sadly, in the past few weeks we have seen several harrowing incidents in our waters across Scotland.



As a first responder we are taken every opportunity both locally and at a national level to highlight these dangers. Crews at both these events along with stations throughout the area will use every opportunity to share vital water safety information and highlight the risks of entering the water during warmer periods.

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