



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.

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 Office: 01343 563134

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

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Chief Inspector for Moray Norman Stevenson



Over the month of September, there has been some really strong Community based work carried out in the CPTs across Moray and I am very grateful for the support provided by members of the public in highlighting the areas that concern them, which in turn allows us to address the matters raised.

I want to highlight the importance of the community feedback and information, which is so important for us to understand the issues in communities and help drive our business to improve Community Safety and reduce crime.

With that, I would encourage you all to continue to support the messaging I that we want to hear from our Communities through our 101 general telephone number, online or via Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

With all the excellent collaborative work that is undertaken, I would like to keep the profile of the Police Scotland Youth Volunteers in the forefront of your mind. They are an excellent group of young leaders who are committed to supporting communities, led by an equally committed group of adult volunteers. Traditionally their time is consumed by supporting events across the Moray area, but in the current climate they have had to adapt and be inventive. With that, they are really keen understand how best they are deployed, so please contact either myself or Constable Yvonne Squire for more details if you think they can support you.

Leading into the darker nights, you will see promotional and preventive material going out over the coming weeks, so please share this, particularly with the vulnerable. If you need further support with this, please let me know.

Neighbourhood Alert is delivered in Scotland by Neighbourhood Watch Scotland. The Alert system allows you to stay up to date with the latest crime, safety and resilience news for your local area, which has proved particularly useful to people and communities over the last few weeks. All information comes from trusted sources and removes any doubt as to the accuracy and authenticity of the information you receive.

Neighbourhood Alert is free to join - visit www.neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk and sign up to receive Alerts.

Stay safe and I look forward to our next Joint Community Council to discuss ongoing matters and future work.

Norman Stevenson
Chief Inspector

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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 area during September 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

During September 2020, 8 reports of assaults have been investigated. Of these, 5 have been detected and will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal or Children's Reporter.

Six vandalisms have been reported. Of these vandalisms one occurred in Reidhaven Street, Portknockie where a car owned by someone visiting the village was damaged. Several of the other reported vandalisms occurred on Cliff Street, Findochty, between 20 and 21 September 2020, whereby vehicles were damaged.



Moray Police
@MorayPolice

Two men, aged 27 & 34, have been charged following the recovery of cannabis with a potential street value of £753,000 from a premises in Buckie on Sunday, 20 Sept. More info at: ow.ly/RrNI50BxLnY



During September 2020, Buckie Officers supported by colleagues from CID and specialist search teams recovered several hundreds of thousands of pounds of cannabis.

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KEITH

A total of five assaults have been reported to officers at Keith. Of these assaults three have been detected, one having occurred in a domestic setting. Another of the assaults resulted in the victim sustaining a serious injury, a male has been reported to the Procurator Fiscal in respect of this incident.

One vandalism has been reported and the culprit for this offence has been reported to the Procurator Fiscal.

ACQUISITIVE CRIME

BUCKIE

Four crimes of dishonesty have been reported. Two relate to break-ins to domestic dwellings, one in Buckie and the second a rural property near to Buckie. These do not appear to be linked. The remaining dishonesties relate to the theft of a child's scoter and a theft by shoplifting, positive lines of enquiry are being pursued.

KEITH

Three theft by shopliftings have occurred during this month where large quantities of printer ink cartridges and razors have been stolen. The thefts of such items have been on the increase across Scotland and may well be linked to Organised Crime Groups.

ROAD SAFETY & ROAD CRIME

BUCKIE

On 7 September a hit and run road accident occurred on East Church Street, Buckie whereby a parked vehicle was struck by another vehicle which then left the scene. The offending vehicle has not yet been identified. Similar incident occurred a few days later on St Peters Road, Buckie and Brodie Avenue, Buckie

One driver has been arrested for failing to supply a breath test after being stopped in Buckie. Another driver was arrested on suspicion of driving whilst under the influence of controlled drugs.

One driver has been charged with driving under an expired driving licence.

Three drivers have been charged for driving without insurance. This offence will result in the seizure of vehicles.

KEITH

During September Keith Officers and Roads Policing Officers have dealt with two drivers in regards to the manner of their anti-social driving. Reports will be submitted to the Procurator Fiscal.

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Community Engagement & Reassurance



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In response to concerns about underage drinking and anti-social behaviour, officers in #Keith have carried out patrols this weekend along with our partners at Moray Council. Positive engagement with young people took place and further activity is planned over the next few weeks.



Officers in Keith along with our partners at Moray Council have responded to concerns about anti-social behaviour and underage drinking in Keith. During September officers and partners patrolled together engaging with young people.

Officers in Buckie have been patrolling schools throughout the area to prevent anti-social behaviour and vandalism as we move towards the darker evenings. These targeted patrols will continue moving forward.



Moray Police
@MorayPolice

Plain Clothes Officers in #Buckie have been carrying out directed patrols at various schools following complaints about antisocial behaviour. Numerous bottles of alcohol seized and various youths spoken to about their behaviour. Patrols will continue over the coming weeks



Contact Us

Mike McKenzie
Police Inspector
Buckie and Keith Community Policing Team
30 September 2020

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 September 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:

Enquiries are ongoing to trace a group of youngsters who were witnessed damaging a wall near Moray Sports Centre on Linkwood Road. Four vehicles were damaged while parked on Anderson Drive, Langstane Place, Reynolds Crescent and Mossend Place, a fence on Bain Road was damaged and a window at a property in Kingsills was broken. There is no identified link between these incidents.

There were 16 common assaults this month, 1 of which occurred in a licensed premises and of these incidents, 9 are detected and enquiries are ongoing into the others. There were no serious assaults.

A serious anti-social behaviour incident occurred in the Pinefield area which required the deployment of specialist resources to assist the Community Policing Team. The incident was concluded safely with no danger to the wider public and 32-year-old male was charged in connection with various offences.

In relation to drugs activity, a drug search warrant was executed in New Elgin and a quantity of class A drugs was recovered with 2 males charged. My officers have recovered various quantities of Cannabis from 3 individuals. The age of the offenders has ranged from 15yrs old to 46yrs old.



Acquisitive Crime:

There were two break-ins at commercial premises on Edgar Road this month. Two men, both aged 31 and from the South of England, were charged with these crime and also with breaking into other premises in Forres, Aberdeen and elsewhere in Scotland.

A 28-year-old female was charged with a break-in at Ernest Hamilton Court. Enquiries are ongoing into the theft of golf clubs from Elgin Golf Club on 11 September, which is linked to a theft at Moray Golf Club on the same day.

There were 2 petrol 'drive off' thefts and 3 thefts from shops and an attempt was made to break-in to a garage on Duffus Crescent. Enquiries are ongoing.

Road Safety & Road Crime:

This month my officers apprehended 5 motorists who were driving while under the influence of alcohol and 2 motorists who were driving while unfit through drink or drugs. Driving without insurance resulted in action being taken against 5 motorists and a motorist was issued with a fixed penalty for using their mobile phone while driving. There was 1 report of careless driving and no reports of dangerous driving.

Special Constable Kevin Willox is pictured carrying out a speed awareness session with a member of Police Scotland Youth Volunteer Moray. The volunteers learned about the equipment and techniques used to tackle speeding motorists and those with poor driving habits.




Community Engagement & Reassurance

In response to concern from local residents officers have spent time carrying out foot and bike patrols in the areas around Oldmills and Linkwood. Reports have been received off youths behaving in anti-social manner, drinking while under-age and throwing eggs at people's homes

While carrying out late shift patrols in the town officers engaged with a group of youths and recovered this stash of alcohol. Suitable advice was given regarding the dangers of drinking and it was disposed of when the officers returned to the Police station.





Moray Police @Moray... · 02/09/2020
PC Dey has been out on his  this evening, responding to calls  regarding neighbour disputes, youth disorder & anti social behaviour, covering over  kilometres

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[#CommunityPolicing](#)



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Parking issues in the town centre has been less of an issue this month following some proactive footpatrols by my officers. We will keep this under review and respond to any concerns from local residents and businesses.

Community Officer PC Jamie Dey has been making the most of the fair weather and has been across the town on his Police mountain bike dealing with a variety of incidents

Andrew Wilson
Inspector
Elgin Community Policing Team
30 September 2020

Moray West 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 September 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:

Lossiemouth & Fochabers Area

There have been 4 incidents of vandalism, 1 to a door lock at a commercial property in Burghead, and cars damaged at Burghead, Lossiemouth and Hopeman. Enquiries are ongoing.

There were reports of threatening and abusive behaviour, 1 in Garmouth involving threats and 1 in Fochabers where an adult approached youths in an aggressive manner. Named suspects are being sought in relation to these offences.

There was 1 Domestic incident reported over the period which occurred in Fochabers.

A male has been reported for operating a drone being out of control in Hopeman and a juvenile has been reported to your Youth Justice team for possession of Cannabis.

During the reporting period a disturbance at an address in Burghead was reported which involved person throwing ignited items at an address and a subsequent attempt to set fire to vehicles. Enquiries are ongoing in relation to this.

Forres Area

There have been 8 reports of vandalism within Forres over the reporting period, including damage to two cars, a private residence, Leancoil Hospital, Pilmuir Primary school and Cluny Hill College.

Two youths, aged 16 and 15, have been reported to our Youth Justice team in respect of 3 of the incidents. A male has been reported to the Procurator Fiscal in respect of a further incident.

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There have been 4 counts of threatening and abusive behaviour, committed in Forres. All persons responsible have been warned or reported accordingly.

There have been 2 juvenile assaults reported, committed by other juveniles. A further assault was reported within Aberlour. Perpetrators have been identified and are being dealt with appropriately.

There have been 9 Domestic incidents reported, 4 in Forres, 2 in Aberlour, 2 in Rothes and 1 in Kinloss. Complaints have included threatening and abusive behaviour, assaults, threatening communications, and a sexual assault. The majority of perpetrators have been reported to the Procurator Fiscal and named suspects are being pursued for all complaints. This is an increase from 4 over the last reporting period.

Other recorded crimes included stalking type behaviour (not Domestic), a dog dangerously out of control and fly tipping. The offenders will be charged and reported in respect of these crimes.

Acquisitive Crime:

Lossiemouth & Fochabers Area

During the reporting period there were reports of a theft of golf clubs from Lossiemouth Golf club and monies taken from a car wash and tyre pressure machine at Fochabers Filling Station. Enquiries remain ongoing.

There was also a break in to the Lhanbryde Community Hall and a break in to a private residence in Lossiemouth. Positive lines of enquiry are being pursued.

Forres Area

During the reporting period lead was stolen from the roof of the Glasgow School of Art, Altyre Estate, Forres and a private property in Dufftown was entered and small value items removed. A caravan was stolen from Ballindalloch. Currently no suspects have been identified for these crimes.

The premises at MacKenzie & Cruickshank Garden centre, Forres were broken into and various charity boxes and computer items stolen. This was part of a series of crimes across the North East. 4 males have been reported in connection with this.

Road Safety & road crime:

Lossiemouth & Fochabers Area

During the reporting period a male was charged with drink driving, a female was charged with Careless Driving near Duffus, a male was charged with using a mobile phone whilst driving in Fochabers and a suspect is currently being sought in connection with failing to stop/report an accident which also occurred at Fochabers.

Forres Area

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During the reporting period a male was charged with driving without insurance at Forres, a male was charged with dangerous driving when driving at 120 miles per hour at Roseisle.

Other speeding offences included a male driving at 87 miles per hour near Alves and a male driving at 63 miles per hour on the Forres bypass.

Further offences included an incident of Dangerous Driving at Bordie and 2 counts of Careless Driving at Brodie and Rothes.

A male was charged with drink driving in Rothes and there was an incident reported where a large goods vehicle failed to stop/report an accident.

A male was also charged in connection with driving an unregistered mini moto at Broom of Moy, along with other associated road traffic offences.

Community Engagement & Reassurance

In direct response to Community concerns this month we have continued to focus Anti Social Behaviour and youth disorder in the Forres area and reports of vehicles driving at excessive speeds in built up areas.



Over the weekend, Friday 18th to Sunday 20th September, patrols were carried out in response to information from the public regarding anti-social behaviour in and around Forres.

Officers and Special Constables focused on areas where young people regularly gather, including local beauty spots, hospital and medical grounds and school grounds, where incidents of anti-social behaviour and youth disorder had been identified. The focus of the patrols were to provide community reassurance and promote positive engagement with local youths.

A number of large groups of young people were dispersed. Several were given advice in relation to cycle safety and one young person will be reported in relation to two incidents of vandalism. Two drivers were also dealt with for anti-social driving offences.



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Officers also undertook some speed checks around St Leonards Road, Forres. Further speed checks in St Leonards Road and other identified areas are planned for this month.

Kind regards
Kerry Rigg

Inspector

Lossiemouth & Fochabers and Forres Community Policing Team

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Suicide Prevention

In 2018 in Scotland there were 784 deaths by suicide, the rate for male suicide was three times that for females. There were 77 suicides across the NHS Grampian board area in 2018, up from 63 in 2017. 59 of the 77 were men.

The below looks at how you can spot the signs, support the individual and what supports and services you can connect them with.

Spotting the signs?

How might someone with thoughts of suicide present? What might we see, sense, hear or learn?



A common myth is that people will not talk about their thoughts of suicide but people can and do often talk about thoughts of suicide.

Asking about suicide?

If you think someone is thinking about suicide you must ask the question. We know this can feel difficult or even scary but it is the best way to open up the conversation about suicide and must be asked.

How to ask?

The question must be asked in a direct and neutral way.

Try to **avoid** leading questions, for example 'you're *not* thinking of....'

Try to **avoid** asking questions that may seem to contain judgement, for example 'are you thinking of doing something *silly*'

(the reason for a person to think about suicide may seem trivial or even unimportant but to that person it is life or death)

Try to **avoid** questions that aren't clearly about suicide such as

- Have you thought about what happens when you die?
- Have you ever thought about dying?
- Have you ever thought about hurting yourself?

Try to **ask a neutral and closed question** where the answer can be either 'yes' or 'no' about them taking action to end their own life.

- **Are you thinking about suicide?**
- **Are you thinking about killing yourself?**
- **Are you thinking about ending your life?**

Asking someone who does not have thoughts of suicide about suicide **CANNOT** put the idea in their head. If you think someone may be thinking about suicide **ALWAYS** ask the question.

Listening

Asking the question must never be asked in isolation and must be followed up. If they answer yes to your question about suicide, then it is important to give them time and space to share their story.

Listening feels like it should be easy but again we know it can be difficult, encouraging a person to talk about their thoughts of suicide is important and helpful.

There is no expectation for you to 'fix' whatever is happening for that person. It is important that we allow a person to talk about their feelings without judgement and direct them towards a suitable support.

Things to remember

- Try not to make judgement regarding the reason someone may be feeling suicidal, try to focus on how they are feeling rather than the trigger or event that led to them feeling that way.
- Try not to react to behaviours shown when someone is feeling suicidal, try to remember it is again the feeling behind the behaviour that is important.

Helpful questions

- Why do you think you are feeling this way?
- What makes you feel this way?
- How long have you been feeling this way?
- Who else have you told?
- What can we do to help you?
- What support do you think you need?

Supports available

After we have heard the person's story, it is important that we connect them with someone who can further support or help them. This could be a friend, family member or a service. Given the unprecedented times we are currently living in, many services may be closed or may have changed the way they operate so it is important to have a basic knowledge of local support services and how to access them.

You are not alone in supporting an individual and there are many supports available, both locally and nationally. Whilst it is important to have a basic knowledge of these services, it can be impossible to remember them all. There is an App available that showcases many of them and we'd encourage you to download it. As well as helping with supports available it has information on suicide, myths and facts, tips on having the conversation and how to develop a safety plan.

Type '**Prevent Suicide**' into your app provider and download the app now.



Other supports

Although the above App contains a comprehensive list of services available, there may be others that you know of. We also suggest that you explore what supports (professional or personal) the individual currently has, has helped them in the past or who they feel would support them. We encourage engagement with a GP and GP practice. Every GP practice in Aberdeen City has a Community Link Practitioner based within the practice. This service offers person centred wellbeing support to be delivered through a dedicated member of staff.

When linking an individual to a service, try to offer a 'warm hand off' where you introduce the person to the service and the service to them, this is likely to encourage more successful engagement compared to handing an individual a leaflet or number.

Some safety tips

- If you feel an individual is at immediate risk of death or harm to themselves or someone else, phone 999.
- Even a successful intervention can feel stressful and emotional, make sure you debrief with a colleague or manager following any such conversation, the Samaritans also offer a debrief service.
- These times are testing for us all, look after yourself and ensure self-care every day.
- Be kind to yourself and others.