

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 0700 - 7 DAYS

MIDNIGHT

FORRES 0915 – 1715 MONDAY TO THURSDAY

0915 - 1445 FRIDAY

KEITH0815 - 1600MONDAY TO FRIDAYLOSSIEMOUTH0900 - 1700MONDAY TO FRIDAYROTHES0900 - 1700MONDAY TO FRIDAY

NOTE – Stations may close for one hour at 12.30 daily or at short notice

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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.

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Chief Inspector for Moray Norman Stevenson



I was a very proud Local Area Commander at the end of June as I was invited to present long service awards to Police Scotland Youth Volunteers to thank them for their valued service to Communities. They are all aged between 13 – 18 years of age and do such a fabulous job volunteering at school fetes, community clean ups and supporting organisations like Moray Food Plus. They even assisted Rachel Routledge enter the World Record books with her tyre flipping escapades at Moray Sports Centre. PSYV members Abigail Jack and Logan Poundall are pictured with their certificates. Well done to them all and I am especially grateful to

the Adult volunteers who help make it happen, led by PC Yvonne Squair. If you think they can support in your community, please let me know and I can link you in with Yvonne.

As we move into the school holidays, I would urge the Community to keep a watchful eye on places of learning. It can sometimes be the case that buildings are exposed to antisocial behaviour and vandalism, but by all working together we can help keep that to an absolute minimum and make sure the School estate is fresh for the return of pupils after the summer holidays.

On a similar topic, I applaud the Re:Connect team from Moray Council Youth Engagement, local Supermarkets, Active Schools, Police Scotland and many more who have done a tremendous job in putting together a mass of opportunities for young people to be active and with friends. This is not only on during the day, but in evenings and weekends with pop up events.

Stay safe and well. Norman Stevenson





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including car derived vans up to 2 tonnes maximum laden weight



Cars Towing

including car derived vans and motorcycles





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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 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 three reports of Assault in Buckie, all of which were minor in nature and persons have been reported accordingly. Three other Assaults were reported and enquiries are ongoing into these incidents with named suspects sought.

Fourteen incidents of vandalism have been reported and subject to Police investigation. In many cases the damage was caused to parked vehicles and minor in nature, 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.

Five minor fires were started to bins and sheds during the course of one night in Buckie which, during the course of investigations, were linked to the theft of property from within the sheds. CID Enquires are ongoing in respect of the incidents.

Enquiries are ongoing into seven incidents involving the possession of controlled substances with another four persons being reported and accordingly.

During the course of enquiries it has been identified that many of the incidents involve young persons and frequently alcohol and controlled substances are suspected to have been involved. 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 two reports of Assault in Keith, one of which was serious and one involved an assault on a Police whilst in the process of performing their duties. Two persons have been reported accordingly.

Two incidents of vandalism have been reported and subject to Police investigation with enquiries ongoing.

During the course of the month Officers have been required to attend at an increased number of incidents and disturbances involving alcohol. To reassure the public and to deter incidents, increased High Visibility patrols are being conducted in the Keith, with particular attention to licenced premises, to tackle this issue. Engagement with licensees and off-sales premises is being promoted to address some of the underlying issues.

Acquisitive Crime:

Buckie Area

During the course of the month, Officers responded to twelve 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.

The majority of incidents relate to theft by shoplifting with alcohol being the common factor in most of these. A review of the incidents is ongoing and following this, work will be conducted with the respective off-sales premises with a view to encouraging each to make changes to working practice and employing tactics to minimise the risk. Our Crime Prevention staff based at Keith will be supporting CPT Officers with this.

Keith Area

Two incidents of online fraud involving the unauthorised access of personal data to obtain monies were reported. Enquiries have commenced and are ongoing and both are suspected of having been generated within the United Kingdom.

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.

During this period a number of Officers based at Buckie have been trained in the use laser speed detection equipment which will enhance the capability of Officers in the area to carry out speed check.

Keith Area

Road traffic offences detected this reporting period included no insurance, failure to stop after an accident and faulty vehicle components. Reports and fixed penalties have been submitted accordingly.

An increasing number of reports have been received over the last period 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 a number of Officers based at Keith have been trained in the use laser speed detection equipment which will enhance the capability of Officers in the area to carry out speed checks.

Community Engagement & Reassurance



Underage Drinking and Antisocial Behaviour Initiative

Recently, and in particular over weekend periods, Buckie, Keith and the surrounding area has seen an increase in incidents of antisocial behaviour and underage drinking being reported.

During the month of June, dedicated Police patrols were carried out in several "hot spots" including Buckie High School, Linzee Gordon Park and Victoria Park.

As well as carrying out patrols after school hours, the Canteen Cops Initiative was also trialled at Buckie High School during the school day lunch break.

The initiative has Officers attend at school canteens during lunch hour, making themselves available to answer questions and have a chat with pupils.

Both the dedicated patrols and Canteen Cops were carried out in an attempt to build confidence and rapport with youths/pupils, to find out why the issues at the weekend were happening and how the pupils felt that the issues could be solved.

Furthermore, a plea was issued on Social Media, asking parents and guardians to be aware of what their children are doing when not at home.

All information obtained during the course of the initiative has been collated and will be used to assist in steering young people away from sourcing alcohol in conjunction with education of the health benefits and diversion opportunities.

July will see the relaunch of Street Soccer and we hope that this will also reduce the amount of antisocial incidents in Buckie and surrounding areas.

Further dedicated patrols will be carried out during the course of the summer holidays.

Park Smart - School Parking Campaign

Towards the end of May/start of June, The Park Smart campaign was launched at St Peters Primary

School, Buckie.

Park Smart is a campaign run by Moray with the support of Police Scotland and schools with resources and information intention of creating long term behavioural changes. Colourful banners up figures were used to highlight the

The campaign was a real success and working with Partners and Communities out to other schools in the autumn term another tool to improving Road Safety, particularly around schools.



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Awareness Profile

Road Tax (Vehicle Excise Licence)

Road Tax or Vehicle Excise Licence is a tax payable for motor vehicles using public roads.

It is a legal requirement to tax your vehicle however there are some exemptions for disabled drivers, electric vehicles (electricity must come from an external source) and for those cars, which were constructed before 1st January 1973. Please see Government website for all exemptions.



What happens if my vehicle is not taxed?

The DVLA runs monthly checks on its database to flag up any cars that don't have tax but aren't declared SORN.

If your car's flagged, you will get a warning letter in the post. If you still don't tax your car, you will get an £80 fine, which reduces by half if you pay within 28 days.

This fine could go up to £1,000 (plus court fees) if you don't pay the fine and the case goes to court.

(Above extract taken from AA website)

How to report a vehicle with no Road Tax

If you see a vehicle with no tax, you can report it. The reports are anonymous and every report will be investigated.

This can be done through the Government website using the following link





Police Scotland can also be contacted.

Kind regards

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Moray East 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, seven 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 incidents. None of the incidents involved serious injury.

Likewise, seven reports of vandalism were reported with persons being charged in relation to four of these incidents and enquiries ongoing into the others.

Forres Area

Over the course of the month, a report was received of a small area of gorse having been set alight near to the river Findhorn at the Broom of Moy. The fire was quickly extinguished by Scottish Fire & Rescue colleagues and a positive line of enquiry is being followed up. Community Officer, Constable MacDonald has been working well with Partners and the community to address the ongoing issues in this place.

Four Assaults, all of a minor nature were reported, three of which have resulted in persons being reported accordingly.

Six vandalisms were committed with enquiries still ongoing into these incidents.

Speyside Area

One report of Assault was received in the Aberlour area which did not result in injury and one person was reported accordingly.

Four vandalisms were reported with two incidents resulting in persons being charged.

In particular, toward the end of the month, a number of reports were received of cars having been vandalised in Rothes. Enquiries are actively being pursued in relation to this with a positive outcome anticipated.

Acquisitive Crime:

Lossiemouth & Fochabers Area

Over the course of the reporting period, four shopliftings were reported in Lossiemouth with one detected and enquiries ongoing into the others.

Two similar shopliftings were reported in Fochabers and likewise enquiries are ongoing.

A bike was stolen in Lossiemouth and a male had a mobile phone stolen however there are lines of enquiries in these incidents.

Forres Area

A report was received of a break in to the main stand at Mosset Park, the home ground of Forres mechanics Football Club. A small amount of alcohol was taken. There are positive lines of enquiry being followed up.

Speyside Area

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

Road Safety & road crime:

Lossiemouth & Fochabers Area

Once again, our Roads Policing colleagues have been visible across the area and a small number of motorists were reported for speeding offences and other minor road traffic offences.

I am pleased to report that there have been no collisions which have resulted in injury to any persons.

Forres Area

Likewise, a number of motorists were charged with speeding offences. One disappointing incident of note related to a learner motorist driving in excess of the speed limit and they were charged accordingly.

Again, I am pleased to report that no collisions of note took place.

Speyside Area

I am pleased to report that no speeding offences were detected during the reporting period. Three instances of careless driving are currently being investigated.

One accident occurred in Rothes which resulted in the driver thankfully only sustaining a minor injury and the main thoroughfare being blocked for a short time.

During the month, our Schools Liaison Officer, PC Tom Millican visited Kinloss Primary School to speak to the pupils regarding road safety. Making the most the great weather the talk took place outside and was gratefully received by both the pupils and staff.



Community Engagement & Reassurance

My Officers continue to visible across the area with regular patrols of areas which have been identified as places where youths may gather and have the potential to cause wider community alarm or annoyance. It is pleasing to note that the calls relative to such behaviour in Lossiemouth are relatively



low in number however we are not complacent with regards to this.

Community Officers, PC's Michelle MacDonald and Steph Bayliss have been out and about getting to know the community and gaining feedback. Michelle has been busy with the Anderson Primary School 'Walking Bus' initiative which hopefully will continue to run after the school holidays.

I was pleased to be part of an engagement initiative, supporting Forestry & Land



Scotland and Scottish Fire & Rescue Service and at Roseisle to provide the public with a better understanding on how to camp safely, minimize the risk of fire and in particular continue to make these beautiful areas safe for people to enjoy.



In Forres, we continue to patrol known hotspots for youth annoyance at weekends and again it is pleasing to note that there appears to be a reduction in youth related annoyance at this time. It does not mean that the work stops, as we will work with partners and help make improvements to the areas.

In Speyside, my Officers are working in conjunction with the local community and multi-agency partners in relation to particular annoyance issues in Rothes. Visible patrols are taking place and I thank the community for their help and cooperation so we can collectively tackle the issues. The Local Authority Environmental Health and Police Crime Prevention staff are responding to specific requests and the Rothes Police Station opening hours are at the start of this document, so please keep in touch.

Over the summer months, my Officers are supporting the re:connect programme of activities aimed at engaging with young children of various ages. These events are taking place across the area, are varied in nature and I am sure will have an appeal to everybody. I would encourage anybody who wishes to know more about the events to check out social media to find out more.

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

June has seen 12 incidents of Vandalism, a slight decrease from last month. Three of these incidents were part of other offences such as property damaged during a domestic assault or during an incident involving persons committing a breach of the peace which included damaging property.

All of the incidents reported this month involved damage to property belonging to an individual with no reports of commercial property being damaged.

Assault

June has seen 19 Assaults being reported to Police, with three of these assaults fall into the serious category. In total, just over half have been detected (including all three 2 serious assaults). There are positive lines of enquiries for all of the remaining incidents.

Drugs:

Over the course of the month 5 contraventions of the Misuse of Drugs Act were investigated by Officers, ranging from possession of a controlled drug to being concerned in the supply of controlled drugs.

Two of the incidents involve Officers proactively executing Drug Search Warrants at addresses in Elgin involving individuals suspected of being involved in the supply of controlled drugs. Enquiries are still ongoing in respect of these incidents.

Two incidents relate to possession of personal amounts of Cannabis, with the final incident involving the recovery of a personal amount of what is believed to be controlled drugs, with laboratory tests being required to identify which type of drug.

Acquisitive Crime:

Theft

May has seen 13 reports of theft with over half being shopliftings from various commercial premises in Elgin.

As well as the above, a 23 year old female reported that she had lost her bank card whilst in Elgin. Her bank card was thereafter used at a local business to purchase various items. Enquiries are ongoing in order to trace the offender.

A 51 year old female left her pedal cycle unattended at a local supermarket while she went shopping. When she left the supermarket she discovered it had been stolen.

Road Safety & Road Crime:

The Roads Policing Unit and Community Policing Team have been out continuing to tackle road safety and associated issues.

Tragically, a fatal road traffic collision occurred this month, with a 44 year old male being involved in a collision on the A941 near Fogwatt whilst riding his motorcycle.

A 44 year old male has been charged with careless driving following a minor collision in the Pinefield area of Elgin. A report will be submitted to the Procurator Fiscal.



Following a minor road traffic collision in New Elgin, an 18 year old female has been reported to the Procurator Fiscal for driving whilst unfit through drugs, driving without a licence or insurance and careless driving.

Safety in and around Schools is priority for the Partnership and patrols were again in place towards the end of the school term to support the School Street Scheme that is in place at a small number of streets around schools. Sergeant Bayliss and his team were monitoring this and will continue to work with Junior Road Safety Officers and many others to look at existing and inventive ways to improve continue to ensure the safety of pedestrian, cyclists and vehicle users.

Community Engagement & Reassurance:

Once again our Community Officer Jamie Dey carried out various duties over the course of the month including mobile surgeries in various locations around Elgin. These will continue in the coming weeks

and months.

Jamie also enjoyed engaging with local youths in Cooper Park and elsewhere.



Regards

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