



Community Council Report

This report covers progress we have made in dealing with your priorities for the Kincardine and Mearns Community Council area for the period December 2022.

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

This will be a **new** format and happy for feedback.

In this new report I will focus on Policing Station 'areas' as historically these stations would covers the following areas.

Portlethen Police Station – Portlethen and surrounding areas including Drumoak and Durris. I will specify this as Portlethen.

Stonehaven Police Station – Stonehaven and surrounding areas. I will specify this as Stonehaven.

Laurencekirk Police Station – Laurencekirk and surrounding areas including Fettercairn, Edzell woods, Auchenblae and Garvock. I will specify this as Laurencekirk.

The A92 towns (Catterline – St Cyrus) along the coastal Road are covered between Stonehaven and Laurencekirk but I will specify them as Coastal Road.

Due to GDPR rules I cannot narrow down further but my hope is this makes it more precise for your areas. Please note that albeit there are figures on this spreadsheet and it appears that the crimes occurring are low in number the charges/offences viewed are the ones relevant to this type of document meaning there are/can be more offences occurring and this is not a true reflection of Police work in your area.

Community Policing Priorities

Antisocial behaviour, Violence and Disorder:

| Area | Anti-Social | Youth Disorder |
|--------------|-------------|----------------|
| Portlethen | 4 | 1 |
| Stonehaven | 11 | 1 |
| Laurencekirk | 2 | 0 |
| Coastal Road | 4 | 1 |

Acquisitive Crime:

| Area | Thefts | Shopliftings |
|--------------|--------|--------------|
| Portlethen | 1 | 0 |
| Stonehaven | 4 | 0 |
| Laurencekirk | 0 | 1 |
| Coastal Road | 0 | 0 |

Road Safety & road crime:

| Area | Drink/Drug Driving | Dangerous | Careless Driving |
|--------------|--------------------|-----------|------------------|
| Portlethen | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Stonehaven | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Laurencekirk | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Coastal Road | 0 | 1 | 0 |

Community Engagement & Reassurance:

Stonehaven Officers are focussing on a road traffic operation which is focussing predominantly on white zig zag parking violations within the Kincardine and Mearns area following numerous complaints.

Further to this, this 'Park Smart initiative' is being recommended and enforced for Primary Schools with Community Officer Charnley recommending its use and assisting in patrols and attending for patrols

"Park Smart - safe parking around schools

In Aberdeenshire, 1 in 5 pupils are driven to school every day. This adds up to a lot of cars trying to park around our schools. It often leads to illegal and irresponsible parking with regular concerns being raised.

Poor parking around schools can cause:

- road safety concerns for many trying to walk or cycle to school safely
- a nuisance for residents living near schools
- barriers to anyone who may be in a wheelchair
- discouragement from walking or cycling to school due to safety concerns

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We believe every child has the right to come to school safely and shouldn't have their safety compromised by dangerous parking around the school.

To tackle the problem we developed a campaign called Park Smart. It provides tools to parents and schools to encourage sensible and appropriate parking.

There are campaign materials available and support from our Transportation team to help parents and schools run a comprehensive campaign. The materials include guidance notes, campaign leaflet, pledges and homework exercises.

The idea is that information is sent home at various points throughout the year, so the campaign is constantly revisited and families reminded.

Contact

To discuss how the campaign can help tackle the problem and what support is available, please get in touch at transportationstrategy@aberdeenshire.gov.uk or phone 01467 536929."

Contact Us:

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- 📞 0800 555 111 - Crimestoppers;

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