

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 1 to 31 December 2019.

The report aims to highlight emerging issues in your area, to 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.

Community Policing Priorities

Antisocial behaviour, Violence and Disorder:

There has been a further reduction in the number of Antisocial Behaviour calls within Kincardine and Mearns for the month of December, with 26 incidents reported. Out of this total, 8 related to incidents involving young people with the remainder being neighbour disputes and alcohol fuelled antisocial behaviour. We value the continued support of our community across Kincardine and Mearns and continue to encourage them to contact us where there are any instances of antisocial behaviour.

There were 12 assaults within the December period, which is up by 8 on the previous month. Of those 12 reported, 9 are detected with 3 still being investigated.

There were no serious assaults reported during December across Kincardine and Mearns.

Acquisitive Crime:

There were 13 thefts in the Kincardine and Mearns area during December. This is an increase of 4 incidents from the previous month's report. Included within these incidents are 7 incidents of shoplifting, 4 are detected and 3 remain outstanding with enquiries ongoing.

Images of the shoplifting perpetrators have been circulated to "Retailers Against Crime" and shared with local officers, with positive lines of enquiry established.

There have been no Housebreakings this month.

Road Safety & road crime:

Drink/Drug Driving

In December there were 2 reported drink drivers, both of whom have been reported to the Procurator Fiscal. One has already been convicted, receiving a £700 fine and ban for 13 months. The other is awaiting blood analysis.

Dangerous Driving

There has been 2 instances of dangerous driving with 1 detected and 1 enquiry ongoing.

Careless Driving

There have been 3 reported incidents of careless driving this month which is an increase of 1 from last month's reports, 2 have been reported to the PF and 1 other that is still being investigated.

K&M Officers have continued Operation Cedar patrols over this month. In response to local business' complaints re parking in Stonehaven, officers issued 15 tickets for yellow line offences and 1 ticket for a speeding offence, along with a number of warnings.

Community Engagement & Reassurance

Residents and Councillors are encouraged to contact Police on 101 and highlight locations of concern so that they may be added to the patrol matrix. The festive period was a busy time for our staff with revellers attending many events across the area, I am happy to report that for the majority of events all were good natured and required little intervention by Police.

High visibility shoplifting patrols were also undertaken with larger retail premises across Kincardine and Mearns over the festive period. Seasonally we see an increase in this type of crime in December and the patrols were put in place as a deterrent.

Police Surgeries

PC Camus in conjunction with Sandra McGuigan of Aberdeenshire Voluntary Action is hosting surgeries within Banchory, Laurencekirk, Portlethen and Stonehaven Libraries. The purpose is to give access to the Police in an informal setting, in order to discuss whether an incident or situation that is troubling them is a Police matter.

Contact Us

Please also remember you can communicate with us using any of the following:

- \succ 101 Non emergency;
- Email <u>StonehavenLowerDeesideCPT@Scotland.pnn.police.uk</u>
- > Twitter @NorthEPolice
- Facebook www.Facebook.com/NorthEastPoliceDivision
- > @ Web <u>www.scotland.police.uk</u>
- > 2 999 Emergency;
- > 🕾 0800 555 111 Crimestoppers;

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