

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 March 2020.

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

Change of Local Area Commander

I wish to advise you of a change in the Local Area Commander in South Aberdeenshire as a result of Chief Inspector Drummond being transferred to another post within North East Division.

As of Monday 6 April 2020, Chief Inspector Kevin Walker will be taking over this role. He has a wealth of policing experience, most recently as a Detective Chief Inspector and a good knowledge of the area and local communities.

This move will not see any changes to the policing in your areas or our response to Coronavirus pandemic and I will continue within my role to ensure consistency in our service delivery.

Antisocial behaviour, Violence and Disorder:

There has been a significant decrease in the number of Antisocial Behaviour calls within Kincardine and Mearns for the month of March, with 25 incidents reported. Of those calls, 8 related to incidents involving young people with the remainder neighbour disputes and alcohol fuelled behaviours.

We value the continued support of our community across Kincardine and Mearns and encourage them to contact us where there are any antisocial behaviour issues.

There were 5 assaults within the March period, which is down by 9 on the previous month. Of those 5 reported, all are detected.

There were no serious assaults reported during March.

Acquisitive Crime:

There have been 5 thefts in the Kincardine and Mearns area this month, this is a reduction by 5, all cases remain outstanding with enquiries ongoing.

There have been 4 Housebreakings this month. 2 have been detected with 2 still being investigated.

Road Safety & road crime:

Drink/Drug Driving

In March there were 2 reports submitted for drug/drink drivers.

Dangerous Driving

There has been 1 instance of dangerous driving and has been reported to the PF for consideration of prosecution.

Careless Driving

There have been 5 reported incidents of careless driving this month, 2 have been reported to the PF and 3 others that are still being investigated.

Community Engagement & Reassurance

COVID-19 has undoubtedly had an impact upon the reported figures. The clear and current message is "Social Distancing".

Stay at home

Everyone must stay at home as you can spread the virus even if you don't have symptoms.

You must:

- only go outside for food, health reasons or work (but only if you can't work from home)
- only take one form of exercise a day, for example a run, walk or cycle alone or with members of your household
- stay 2 metres (6 feet) away from other people at all times If you go out
- wash your hands as soon as you get home

Do not meet others, even friends or family.

Although tickets have been issued elsewhere, positive local community engagement has seen only one issued within the K&M area.

Police Scotland have structured their approach in support of the emergency legislation passed to respond to the Coronavirus pandemic and will only enforce by way of legislative powers or tickets as a final resort.

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.

Contact Us

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

- \succ 101 Non emergency;
- StonehavenLowerDeesideCPT@Scotland.pnn.police.uk
- Twitter @NorthEPolice
- Facebook www.Facebook.com/NorthEastPoliceDivision
- Web <u>www.scotland.police.uk</u>
- > 1 1999 Emergency;
- 200 255 111 Crimestoppers;

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