



**POLICE**  
SCOTLAND

**Crathes and District Community**

**COMMUNITY COUNCIL  
MEETING ON**

**Wednesday 1 April 2015 at 7.30pm**

**at Crathes Hall.**

**1. LOCAL INTEREST INFORMATION**

**RECORDED INCIDENTS/ CRIMES/OFFENCES:**

Since the previous Crathes and District Community Council Meeting, there have been approximately 300 incidents in the Kincardine and Mearns area, which local Police Officers have attended, 14 of which related to the Crathes, Drumoak and Durriss areas. Continuing to show that crime remains low in the area.

The majority of calls remain to be relating to road traffic issues. Only 1 call resulted in a Crime Report being raised.

**OTHER WORK:**

High visibility mobile patrols will continue to be carried out throughout the Kincardine and Mearns beat area, whenever possible, to reduce the likelihood of crimes and offences occurring.

**CRIME PREVENTION ADVICE:**

Over the last few months, there have been a number of calls to Police from the wider community in regards to vandalism. This has mainly been down to youths in the area and occurred later in the evening.

- Can residents report any such anti-social behaviour up to and including vandalism to Police, who WILL take appropriate action.
- Take a description of the individuals if safe to do so.

**ONGOING POLICE WORK**

Speed checks have been carried out in the local area and will continue to do so over the next few months. It has been noted in other local community council meetings there is an increase in complaints regarding individuals driving and speed control particularly around schools. Road policing units are regularly in the Portlethen and surrounding areas and are taking appropriate action in regards to any offences.

**COLD CALLERS:**

There have been reports from the rural areas that bogus callers are attending at residential addresses applying for business from residents.

Can all residents be mindful if they are not happy with persons calling at their home addresses or suspicious of the persons motives or activities, that they call the Police on the 101 number and if possible record any details of any vehicle the persons may be travelling in.

**2. DETAILS OF ACTIONS IN RESPONSE TO MATTERS RAISED AT THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

N/A

**3. ONGOING LOCAL / FORCE-WIDE ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES**

**Operation Ruby**

In response to the number of thefts of motor vehicles, a Force wide operation is ongoing to target these offenders. Local Policing Teams have been involved in directed patrols which have been conducted across Portlethen.

Local residents are advised to make sure all doors are locked to their properties especially during the night time hours. This will prevent and deter any opportunistic type activity.

**Operation Quarterlight**

**National Campaign to Tackle Car Crime**

**Police Scotland launched Operation Quarterlight, a national campaign to tackle car crime and vehicle theft across the country.**

Operation Quarterlight will be implemented throughout Scotland to identify and target those responsible for vehicle break-ins and thefts.

Each week, across Scotland, since November 2014 more than 70 vehicles have been stolen. In addition, each week, more than 230 vehicles have either been broken into or had items stolen from them having been left insecure.

Officers will focus on the prevention of vehicle crime by engaging with partners, key stakeholders and members of the public. By changing habits, and working in partnership, vehicle crime can be prevented.