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Police Service of Scotland Community Council meeting

Name of Community Council:

Lauder Community Council_

Date of meeting: 13th of February 2017

Foreword:

Police report for January 2017 prepared by PC 5955 Michael Norrie.

This report is based on the Leaderdale and Melrose Multi Ward Policing Plan.

Operation RAC

Anti housebreaking initiative continues to be a focus with regards to crime prevention. Residents should remain vigilant over security to prevent opportunist thieves.

Police to crack down on uninsured drivers

Uninsured drivers are to be targeted next week by Police Scotland, in partnership with the Motor Insurers' Bureau (MIB), in a week of action starting on Monday the 30th of January 2017 and running through to Sunday the 5th of February 2017. Police Scotland has advised all drivers to ensure they are covered by valid insurance, prior to the campaign starting on Monday. Road Policing Officers, who will be supported by their divisional colleagues, will use the latest intelligence to focus on known uninsured drivers and hotspots, with drivers found to be breaking the law facing points, fines and having their vehicle seized and potentially crushed.

Ward Priorities

Indiscriminate parking

 You highlighted parking as a problem locally, the following was recorded regarding parking issues during the month of January 2017.

There have been reports of indiscriminate parking on East and West High Street during the month of January. A large number of vehicles have been issued with advisory notices.

As a result of this there has been a dramatic reduction in the amount of vehicles now parking on pavements. Further patrols will continue to be carried out and any vehicles reported or seen parked illegally will be dealt with robustly.

Speeding/Road Traffic

• Speeding is an issue that concerns you particularly in built up areas

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Speed checks will continue to be carried out within the Borders at specific areas where there has been concern regarding excessive speed and highlighted accident hot spots. There have been no incidents of excessive speed highlighted in the month of January 2017. A number of co-ordinated speed checks will be carried out in the month of February 2017.

Rural thefts

• Thefts from houses and farms particularly in more remote locations concerns you

There have been no recorded incidents of theft by housebreaking from commercial dwellings during the month of January 2017. However residents are encouraged to remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity.

Other Incidents of note/relevant Community Council information.

In addition to the incidents listed above relating to the ward priorities the following incidents are also of note –

01/01 – Stow Rd, Lauder, one-car vehicle accident fencing damaged, enquiries ongoing.

05/01 – A68 Lauder, report of dangerous driving, enquiries ongoing.

13/01 – A68 Lauder, vehicle collision with livestock.

18/01 – East High Street, male assaulted, male charged.

18/01 – East High Street, vehicle vandalised, male charged.

21/01 - Report of slip in theft, Manse Rd, enquiries ongoing.

23/01 – West High St, report of bogus callers, legitimate scheme no police action.

29/01 – Tolishill Estate Lauder, report of hare coursing, males charged.

There has been an increase in thefts from insecure vehicles in the Lauder area and residents are encouraged to be vigilant! Report any suspicious activity to Police Scotland. If possible ensure that your property and vehicles are securely locked and that all valuable equipment is out of sight!

Police responded to 34 calls during the month of January 2017, these vary from, anti social incidents, minor disturbances and road traffic related offences.

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Feedback from meeting:

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