



Police Service of Scotland

Community Council meeting

Name of
Community Council:

Lauder Community Council

Date of meeting: 10th of October 2016

Foreword:

Police report for September 2016 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.

Student Safety Campaign

Police Scotland are working with Universities and colleges nationally to launch its Student Safety 2016 campaign to promote key messages to help students feel safe as term time comes to a start. The key messages of the campaign centre around four main areas which affect students; partying, identity safety, online activity and looking after their property.

Road safety Campaign - Police Camera Unit

In support of Road Safety Scotland's Country Roads campaign, Police Scotland and the Scottish Safety Camera Units will be carrying out regular patrols and checks on country roads around Scotland. As summer turns to autumn, many factors affect our roads. Falling leaves, shortening days, fading light, changeable weather and agricultural vehicles all add to the dangers on our roads.

Anniversary of Disclosure Scheme for Domestic Abuse in Scotland

More than 1000 requests have been made in the first year of the Disclosure Scheme for Domestic Abuse in Scotland. Of the 1,044 requests for disclosure between 1 October 2015 and 29 September 2016, there have been 371 disclosures to people who have been told their partner has an abusive past. DSDAS rolled out nationally on 1 October 2015, aimed at tackling and preventing domestic abuse. Through the scheme people can request a disclosure if they believe their current partner may have an abusive past, or a request can be made on their behalf. Nearly 60,000 incidents of domestic abuse were reported to Police Scotland in 2014/15.



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Your View Counts Survey

The main national issue of concern to people across Scotland is the threat of terrorism, followed by violent crime, according to the first results from [Police Scotland's new online survey, 'Your View Counts'](#). The survey has now been live for three months and was completed by more than 10,000 people between 7th April until 30th June 2016. Analysis of the results, which are published on the Police Scotland website and are broken down by division, show that the main issue of concern at a local level is split between anti-social behaviour, housebreakings and drug dealing or misuse.

Ward Priorities

Indiscriminate parking

- You highlighted parking as a problem locally, the following was recorded regarding parking issues during the month of September 2016.

There have been no reports of indiscriminate parking in the month of September. Patrols will continue to be carried out and any vehicles reported or seen parked illegally will be dealt with accordingly.

Speeding/Road Traffic

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

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 September 2016.

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 September. However residents are encouraged to remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity. Ensure vehicles and property are secured and no valuables are left on display.

Other Incidents of note/relevant

In addition to the incidents listed above relating to the ward priorities the following



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incidents are also of note –

03/09 – Rural farm in Lauder, neighbour dispute, advice given.
06/09 – Market Place, Lauder, minor vehicle collision, female traced & advice given.
08/09 – The Row, Lauder, abandoned vehicle owner traced no police offences.
09/09 – A68 Lauder, report of dangerous driving, enquiries ongoing.
13/09 – Whitelaw Estate, Lauder report of traveller encampment, no incidents.
23/09 – Mid Row, Lauder found drugs, enquiries ongoing.
24/09 – High St, Lauder report of taxi fraud, positive enquiries ongoing.
26/09 – Allanbank, Lauder report of aggressive dog, enquires ongoing.
26/09 – Thirlestane Drive, Lauder male charged with a breach of the peace.
28/09 – Wyndhead steading, Lauder, theft from motor vehicle, enquiries ongoing.
28/09 – Woodheads, Lauder one car vehicle accident, no police offences.

Residents are encouraged to be vigilant and 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 September 2016, these vary from, anti social incidents, minor disturbances, theft and road traffic related offences.

Feedback from
meeting:

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