



Police Service of Scotland

Community Council meeting

Name of
Community Council:

Lauder Community Council

Date of meeting: 14th of January 2018

Foreword:

Police report for December 2018 prepared by PC 5955 Michael Norrie.

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

SECURITY IN THE RURAL ENVIRONMENT

Police Scotland strongly encourage owners of agricultural machinery and utility vehicles to take the following steps to secure their property:

- **REMOVE KEYS** when not in use.
- Store keys in a locked cabinet away from the vehicle location.
- Keep a record of all machinery with photographs and vehicle serial numbers. This information is essential if your vehicle is stolen.
- Consider fitting steering locks, wheel clamps and/or locking posts and an alarm
- Consider fitting CESAR security marking system to the vehicle.
- Mark or customise your vehicle so it is easily identifiable. This can deter thieves and assist recovery if they are stolen.
- Consider fitting vehicle tracking devices.
- Park the vehicle in a well-lit area covered by a good quality CCTV system.
- Park as close to your premises as possible, preferably out of sight from nearby roads.
- Park larger vehicles in front of access doors to prevent easy access.

Remember: If you leave the keys in your vehicle or don't take reasonable steps to secure your property this may invalidate your insurance cover.



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A complete guide to “Security in the Rural Environment” can be accessed from the Police Scotland website, http://www.scotland.police.uk/assets/pdf/keep_safe/rural-prevention-booklet

THIS CHRISTMAS KEEP SAFE

- Shop safe – be alert at ATMs and look after your bags.
- Be careful online – use a secure browser and only insert card details if the padlock icon is visible.
- Plan your nights out – stick with friends and know how you are getting home.
- Secure your home – keep cash at home to a minimum and gifts out of view.
- Be aware of changing road conditions. In severe weather increase stopping distances.

Please check the Police Scotland website for further advice on Festive Safety

Keep Safe – www.scotland.police.uk/festivesafety

Have fun this festive season, but be aware of the effects of alcohol.

Do You Know the Shocking Facts of One Punch Crime?

Throwing a single punch can have devastating consequences. Just one punch can cause life changing injuries and even death. A moment of aggression, whether unprovoked or in self-defense, can result in a lifetime of consequences, regret and guilt. If you find yourself involved in a fight, our advice is to walk away. It could save your life.

Ward Priorities

Indiscriminate parking

You highlighted parking as a problem locally, the following was recorded regarding parking issues during the month of December 2018.

There has been one report of indiscriminate parking regarding vehicles parked on the pavement area on East High Street, Lauder during the month of December 2018. Routine patrols will continue to be carried out and any vehicles reported or seen parked illegally will be dealt with robustly.



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Speeding/Road Traffic

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

There have been no reports or incidents reported to the police of excessive speeding during the month of December 2018. Police checks will remain ongoing and will take place within the Borders at specific areas where there has been concern regarding excessive speed and highlighted accident areas.

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 during the month of December 2018. 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 –

01/12 – West Mains, Lauder, report of vandalism, enquires ongoing.
02/12 – Lauder Santa Fun Run, event passed without incident.
08/12 – Lauder Christmas Lights Parade, event passed without incident.
14/12 – A68, Lauder, male arrested for breach of bail.
15/12 – A68, Lauder, males charged with driving without motor insurance.
15/12 – East High St, Lauder, two car vehicle collision, damage only.
15/12 – CO-OP Lauder, fake £50 notes passed, enquires ongoing.
15/12 – A68, Lauder, vehicle overturned on carriageway, no injuries.
16/12 – East High St, Lauder, male assaulted, enquires ongoing.
19/12 – CO-OP Lauder, theft of fuel, enquires ongoing.
21/12 – A68, Lauder, one vehicle collision, damage only.
22/12 – The Orchard, Lauder, male arrested for a breach of the peace.
23/12 – A68, Lauder, male charged with driving without motor insurance.
27/12 – West Mains, Lauder, report of theft, enquires ongoing.
30/12 – East High St, Lauder, male reported for drunk and incapable.

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 49 calls during the month of December 2018, these vary from anti-social incidents, theft, vandalism and road traffic related offences.



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Feedback from
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