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Police Service of Scotland Community Council meeting

Name of Community Council:

Lauder Community Council

Date of meeting: 11th of March 2019

Foreword:

Police report for February 2019 prepared by PC 5955 Michael Norrie.

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

National Hate Crime Campaign

Today marks the start of our two-week long national hate crime campaign which will target the night time economy. The main objective of the campaign is to improve hate crime reporting amongst workers employed in the night time economy. Examples include taxi drivers, takeaway vendors, licensed premises staff and public transport workers – all of whom also form part of the campaign's target audience.

Hate Crime & Third Party Reporting

Police Scotland takes hate crime very seriously and will do everything we can to bring those responsible to justice. If you have been targeted because of your disability, race, religion, sexual orientation or transgender identity, or you are aware of someone else being targeted, we want you to report it.

- By Telephone 999 (emergency) 101 (non-emergency)
- In person at any Police station,
- By completing a Hate Crime Reporting Form,
- At a Third Party Reporting Centre.

A list of third party reporting centres can be found on the Police Scotland website.

If you are interested in becoming a Third Party Reporting Centre, please contact the Equality & Diversity Unit by emailing SCDEdinburghDiversityUnit@scotland.pnn.police.uk

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Police Scotland Youth Hub survey

In 2018, Police Scotland launched its first online youth hub site and Facebook page for young people, providing information to promote better life choices and help keep them safe. At the heart of the design was the voice of young people throughout Scotland. Please visit the Police Scotland website to take our short survey to give your views on the quality of our resources available to young people. The survey is open until 31 March 2019, and your feedback will help shape future changes.

Ward Priorities

Indiscriminate parking

You highlighted parking as a problem locally, the following was recorded regarding parking issues during the month of February 2019.

There has been one report of indiscriminate parking during the month of February 2019. This was in relation to vehicles in parked within Whitlaw Industrial Estate. Routine 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

There have been no reports or incidents reported to the police of excessive speeding during the month of February 2019. 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 has been one recorded incident of attempt theft by housebreaking during the month of February 2019. Albeit this was not a rural theft residents are encouraged to remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity.

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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 -

01/02 - CO-OP Lauder, male warned re; behaviour within store.

01/02 - West High St, Lauder, male charged with breach of the peace.

18/02 - Edinburgh Rd, Lauder, dogs left in trailer, RSPCA informed.

19/02 - Thirlestane Drive, report of theft, enquires ongoing.

21/02 - Edinburgh Rd, Lauder, male charged with road traffic offences.

21/02 - Whitlaw Rd, Lauder, male charged with drugs offence.

26/02 - High St, Lauder, attempt housebreaking, enquires ongoing.

26/02 - COOP Lauder, theft of fuel, enquiries ongoing.

28/02 - Upper Loan Park, Lauder, suspect males knocking doors.

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 February 2019, these vary from antisocial incidents, theft, vandalism and road traffic related offences.

Feedback from meeting:

Please e-mail any feedback to PC 5955 Michael Norrie, Leaderdale and Melrose CBO. michael.norrie@scotland.pnn.police.uk LeaderdaleMelroseCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk

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