



Police Service of Scotland Community Council meeting

Name of
Community Council:

Lauder Community Council

Date of meeting: 8th of July 2019

Foreword:

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

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

SUMMER SAFETY

We want you to have a great and most importantly, safe summer. Please visit the Police Scotland website – “Summer Safety 2019” to get advice on:- Knife Crime, Alcohol, Festivals, Securing your home and Staying Safe Outdoors.

SAFETY ADVICE IF YOU HAVE TO APPLY FOR A PAY DAY LOAN

On a regular basis, our officers from the Economic Crime Unit spot adverts from companies claiming to offer pay-day loans. However, many of these companies are not bona-fide. Fraudulent lending companies aim to look as legitimate as possible to lure potential victims in and scam them out of money or obtain their personal data by offering quick deposit loans to those in need. If you are in need of a pay day loan then please take great care when choosing a company to lend from. Do some research and if need be, check with the Financial Conduct Authority, who regulate all financial institutions.

HOW TO SPOT SUSPICIOUS EMAILS

The simple advice below describes how you can spot suspicious emails, and the steps you can take to ensure that you don't fall victim, both at work and home:

- Confirm details of the actual email address it came from, you can do this by hovering mouse over the senders email address.
- Many phishing emails have poor grammar, punctuation and spelling.
- Is the design and overall quality what would you'd expect from the organisation the email is supposed to come from?
- Is it addressed to you by name, or does it refer to 'valued customer', or 'friend', or 'colleague'? This can be a sign that the sender does not actually know you, and that it is part of a phishing scam.
- Does the email contain a veiled threat that asks you to act urgently, or



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cause intrigue? Be suspicious of words like 'send these details within 24 hours' or 'you have been a victim of crime, click here immediately'.

- Look at the sender's name. Does it sound legitimate, or is it trying to mimic someone you know?
- If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is. It's most unlikely that someone will want to give you money, or give you access to a secret part of the Internet.

Your bank, or any other official source, should never ask you to supply personal information from an email.

Ward Priorities

Indiscriminate parking

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

There have been no reports of indiscriminate parking during the month of June 2019. 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 has been no reports to the police of excessive speeding during the month of June 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.

Divisional Traffic have issued 2 tickets for speeding and 4 warning for speeding during the month of June 2019.

Rural thefts

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

There has been one incident of thefts from houses and farms during the month of June 2019. However 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 –

01/06 – The Avenue, drunken activity near to hall, referred to licencing unit.
09/06 – Wyndhead, Lauder, housebreaking with intent, enquires ongoing.
10/06 – West High St, Lauder, male charged with possession of drugs.
12/06 – A68 Lauder, fallen tree on carriageway, one car vehicle accident.
13/06 – Mill Wynd, Lauder one car vehicle accident.
13/06 – CO-OP Lauder, theft of fuel, enquires ongoing.
19/06 – Lauder primary School, youths shouting & swearing, enquiries ongoing.
21/06 – A69 Lauder, female charged with careless driving.
23/06 – A697 Lauder, injury road traffic collision with tractor.

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 55 calls during the month of June 2019, these vary from anti-social incidents, theft and road traffic related offences.

Feedback from meeting:

Please e-mail any feedback to
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