



## Community Council Report

This report covers progress we have made in dealing with your priorities for the Kincardine and Mearns Community Council area for the period August 2024.

The report aims to highlight emerging issues in your area, provide crime prevention advice and guidance to Community Council members and the residents you represent. Our focus is to reduce crime and disorder, help create safer communities and respond effectively to local concerns.

In this report I will focus on Police Station 'areas' as historically these stations would covers the following areas.

Portlethen and surrounding areas including Drumoak and Durriss. I will specify this as Portlethen.

Stonehaven Police Station – Stonehaven, Newtonhill and surrounding areas. I will specify this as Stonehaven.

Laurencekirk Police Station – Laurencekirk and surrounding areas including Fettercairn, Edzell woods, Auchenblae and Garvock. I will specify this as Laurencekirk.

The A92 towns (Catterline – St Cyrus) along the coastal Road are covered between Stonehaven and Laurencekirk but I will specify them as Coastal Road.

## Community Policing Priorities

### Antisocial behaviour, Violence and Disorder:

Area	Youth Disorder	Anti-Social
Portlethen	4	10
Stonehaven	8	16
Laurencekirk	0	7
Coastal Road	1	7

### Acquisitive Crime: D – Detected UI-Under Investigation

Area	Thefts	Shoptliftings	Theft of motor vehicle	Housebreakings/Attempts
Portlethen	1D	3UI	0	0
Stonehaven	4D,2UI	0	0	0
Laurencekirk	0	1UI	1D	0

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Coastal Road	1UI	0	0	0
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**Road Safety & road crime:**

Area	Careless Driving	Drink/Drug Driving	Dangerous
Portlethen	0	0	1D
Stonehaven	0	5D	1D
Laurencekirk	1D	1D	0
Coastal Road	0	1UI	0

**Community Engagement & Reassurance:**

**Social Media releases –**



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On Saturday 17 August 2024 Special Constable Cini, of the Kincardine and Mearns Community Policing Team, attended Laurencekirk Annual Gala and was met by various members of the community some of which "wrestled" themselves into a spare uniform.

Thanks for having us Laurencekirk see you next year.



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I hope you all enjoyed your summer. This month I am highlighting Hate Crime awareness which comes from our website

[Advice & Information - Police Scotland](#)

This website is a useful reporting tool for non emergencies and prevents waiting times on 101 our non-emergency number. It gives out very useful information and advice so I welcome all persons to make use of it.

My Community Liaison Officer, Constable Charnley, will be present for the next Community Council meeting this Wednesday 4 September. I also wish to highlight

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that he is contactable via email on our dedicated email addresses for Kincardine and Mearns as follows

[StonehavenLowerDeesideCPT@Scotland.police.uk](mailto:StonehavenLowerDeesideCPT@Scotland.police.uk)

[NorthKincardineCPT@Scotland.pnn.police.uk](mailto:NorthKincardineCPT@Scotland.pnn.police.uk)

[MearnsCPT@Scotland.police.uk](mailto:MearnsCPT@Scotland.police.uk)

### Hate Crime

**Information on hate crimes and non-crime hate incidents. What you can do if you, or someone you know, is a victim.**

Police Scotland has an important role in ensuring Scotland is a safe and welcoming country for all who live, work and visit here.

We are committed to fostering good relations in our communities, preventing hate crime and holding perpetrators to account.

We know it can be hard for people to report a hate crime and in some cases to even recognise they have been a victim. These events can have a significant impact on people, particularly those who may already be vulnerable.

Hate crime is the term used to describe behaviour which is both criminal and rooted in prejudice. This means the law has been broken and the offender's actions were driven by hatred towards a particular characteristic.

A non-crime hate incident is any incident perceived by the victim, or any other person, to be motivated either entirely or partly by malice and ill-will towards a person or group based on the victim's actual or perceived membership of one or more of the characteristics, but which does not constitute a criminal offence. Non-crime hate incidents are not recorded against the other party.

The Hate Crime and Public Order (Scotland) Act was implemented on 1 April 2024 and sends an important message to victims, offenders and wider society that hate crime will not be tolerated.

We want everyone targeted by hate crime, or those who witness it, to have confidence to come forward. They can be assured that they will be treated with dignity and respect and that the circumstances they report will be fully investigated.

Recording is victim-focused and the process has been part of policing for many years. It helps us monitor tensions within communities, enabling appropriate police responses and helps to build community confidence.

[Find out more about different types of hate crime.](#)

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Police Scotland is committed to supporting Scotland's communities in line with our values of integrity, fairness, respect and commitment to upholding human rights.

We urge anyone who has experienced or witnessed hate to report it.

[Find out more about the different ways you can make a report.](#)

Many thanks,

Inspector Rhona Di Meola  
Kincardine and Mearns Community Policing Team  
02/09/2024

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