

**POLICE SCOTLAND**  
**GREATER GLASGOW DIVISION**  
**REPORT TO EAST RENFREWSHIRE CABINET**  
**POLICE PERFORMANCE OVER THE 3rd QUARTER**  
**OF FINANCIAL YEAR 2017/2018**

**Purpose of Report**

The purpose of this report is to update members of East Renfrewshire Cabinet on police performance over the third quarter of the financial year 2017/2018. This narrative should be considered in conjunction with the accompanying Local Authority Scrutiny Board statistical report detailed in Appendix 1 at the end of this document.

**Local Management**

Chief Superintendent Brian McNulty continues as Divisional Commander of Greater Glasgow Division.

Chief Inspector Angela Carty continues as Area Commander, East Renfrewshire supported by Deputy Area Commander Inspector John McQuilter and Constable Jacqueline Petrie, Local Authority Liaison Officer.

**East Renfrewshire Policing Plan 2017-2020**

The priorities within the policing plan were identified through engagement and consultation across East Renfrewshire. The results of our annual community consultation combined with crime analysis and resource demands have led to the following priorities being identified:-

1. Homes Being Broken Into
2. Anti-social Behaviour and Disorder
3. Violent Crime
4. Drug Dealing and Misuse
5. Child Abuse Including Child Sexual Exploitation

## Introduction

As your Local Police Commander I am pleased to present this year's third quarterly update on the East Renfrewshire Local Policing Plan. The Policing Plan outlines our commitment to tackling the issues most concerning to communities in East Renfrewshire.

As you will be aware the Policing Plan 2017-2020 was agreed at the meeting of the Police and Fire Cabinet on 21 September 2017 and was remitted to Full Council for sign off on 25 October 2017. The new Policing Plan is now in place and as such this is the first update which reports against the Policing Plan 2017-2020 priorities.

East Renfrewshire Police Scotland Youth Volunteers completed their induction course just in time for Christmas and were able to get involved in their first community project in December delivering Christmas hampers to pensioners. The confidence developed in their induction training meant they were able to approach local shops for donations for the hampers. Their charm, winning smiles and enthusiasm resulted in far more donations than they were able to deliver which allowed them to make follow on donations to two sheltered housing complexes.

## Summary of Performance – April to December 2017

### Local Policing Priority – Homes being broken into

### National Policing Priority – Acquisitive Crime

We are committed to our focus on preventing and detecting crimes of dishonesty including homes being broken into.

Our objectives include a commitment to:

- Raise awareness of crime prevention and encourage crime prevention tactics to protect homes against theft;
- Focus on intelligence in relation to offenders and locations;
- Undertake high visibility patrols in priority areas.

Local consultation identified that communities are concerned about their homes being broken into. There has been a decrease in the number of break-ins from 100 to 92 meaning that there have been 8 fewer victims. While the fall is a positive there have still been 92 families who have been victim of persons intruding into their homes and stealing possessions. We have been working hard gathering intelligence on the perpetrators and have made a number of arrests. We have used social media to inform communities of issues around houses being broken into and provided crime prevention advice. It remains important that the communities work with us in protecting their homes through crime prevention measures such as locking and securing

houses even when inside. The communities themselves often play a large part in preventing crime by reporting anything out of the ordinary. Our Local Policing Teams have set up vehicle check points in the community promoting road safety and community safety providing a high visibility presence.

Crime	Period		% Change
Theft by Housebreaking (inc attempts)	April – Dec 2017	92	-8%
	April – Dec 2016	100	
	April – Dec(5 year average)	105.2	
<b>Detection Rates</b>			
Theft by Housebreaking (inc attempts)	April – Dec 2017	17	-32%
	April – Dec 2016	25	

#### Local Policing Priority – Anti-social behaviour and disorder

#### National Policing Priority – Violence, disorder and anti-social behaviour

#### Fairer East Ren Plan – Reducing social isolation, loneliness and increasing safety

Anti-social behaviour remains a community priority and we continue to focus efforts on preventing disorder. Our objectives include:

- Influencing young people, by using our dedicated school campus officers to help them understand the impact ASB has on communities;
- Identify and analyse repeat callers reporting ASB, instigating appropriate measures to address underlying issues;
- Maximise opportunities to reduce ASB and disorder through Greater Results in Partnership (GRIP).

Persistent anti-social behaviour by youths can have a detrimental effect on the quality of life of local communities. We have seen a significant increase in the numbers of calls to police regarding youth disorder and alcohol consumption across East Renfrewshire. In addition to deploying local officers and problem solvers to specific areas where we receive persistent calls our local problem solvers have joined forces with youth workers and community wardens from East Renfrewshire Council. Funding was secured from a local business allowing local young people to take part in a youth diversionary programme run by Achieve More Scotland. Youth workers engage with boys and girls and offer an engagement programme which covers football, dance, golf, boxing amongst others. The initiative is in its infancy and we look forward to some tangible results.

The campus officers continue to provide inputs to pupils including anti-social behaviour. Since the start of school term 3687 pupils have received this input which outlines among other things the impact ASB has the communities pupils live in.

<b>Disorder</b>			
<b>Issue</b>	<b>Period</b>	<b>No. of Complaints</b>	<b>% Change</b>
Complaints of Disorder	April – Dec 2017	2114	23.3%
	April – Dec 2016	1714	
Consuming alcohol	April – Dec 2017	61	-18.7%
	April – Dec 2016	75	
Vandalism	April – Dec 2017	472	32.2%
	April – Dec 2016	357	

### Local Policing Priority – Violent crime

### National Policing Priority – Violence, disorder and anti-social behaviour

### Fairer East Ren Plan – Reducing social isolation, loneliness and increasing safety

Reducing and preventing violent crime remains a key priority and our objectives in this area include:

- Adopt a partnership approach to increase community awareness, particularly in schools, about the gravity of weapon carrying to prevent serious violence;
- Develop ways of increasing intelligence on alcohol related violence to identify the most vulnerable people and areas;
- Encourage third party reporting of domestic abuse;
- Work with specialist departments to identify repeat victims of domestic abuse.

Encouragingly the numbers of victims of violence has reduced by 15.4% with ten fewer victims of serious assault. The figures show an increase of 5 robberies compared to the previous year, however this increase occurred in the first and second quarter of the year with no robberies in the third reporting quarter.

The festive period is traditionally the time of the year that sees a rise in demand for policing services. Whether that is due to a rise in robberies, thefts from shops, businesses or homes, crimes targeted at vulnerable groups or those distracted by other things. The festive season also sees increased numbers partaking in alcohol which can result in disorder and anti-social

behaviour. We implemented our Winter Initiative Plan targeted at preventing these kinds of behaviours by high visibility patrols, engaging with local businesses offering prevention advice and engaging with staff at licensed premises. Over the period we saw a reduction in overall crime and no serious violence.

The prevailing trend in domestic abuse victims continues to decrease and as reported in the second quarter we have to satisfy ourselves that the decrease is not due to reluctance to report. We continue to work with our partners in East Renfrewshire Women's Aid and Assist to provide support for victims and an environment in which victims feel confident in reporting. All domestic incidents continue to be reviewed on a daily basis and where perpetrator patterns of behaviour are identified our local officers request specialist assistance from the public protection unit.

<b>Crimes</b>			
Crime	Period	Number of Crimes	% Change
Crimes of Violence	April – Dec 2017	33	-15.4%
	April – Dec 2016	39	
	April – Dec(5 year average)	36.4	
Serious Assault	April – Dec 2017	15	-40%
	April – Dec 2016	25	
	April – Dec(5 year average)	16	
Robbery	April – Dec 2017	12	71.4%
	April – Dec 2016	7	
	April – Dec(5 year average)	8	
Common Assault	April – Dec 2017	366	5.8%
	April – Dec 2016	346	
	April – Dec(5 year average)	298.8	

<b>Detection Rates</b>			
Crime	Period	Detection Rate	% Change
Serious Assault	April – Dec 2017	73.3%	-10.7%
	April – Dec 2016	84%	
Robbery	April – Dec 2017	91.7%	20.3%
	April – Dec 2016	71.4%	

Common Assault	April – Dec 2017	60.4%	5.8%
	April – Dec 2016	53.8%	

Crime	Period		% Change
Domestic Abuse	April – Dec 2017	219	-8.4%
	April – Dec 2016	239	
Detection Rates			
Domestic Abuse	April – Dec 2017	69.9%	4.2%
	April – Dec 2016	65.7%	

### Local Policing Priority – Drug dealing and misuse

### National Policing Priority – Serious Organised Crime

### Fairer East Ren Plan – Improve the positive mental health, wellbeing and quality of life of our residents

Drug dealing and misuse at a local level results from Organised Crime Groups supplying those drugs to smaller dealers within local communities. We are committed to

- Gathering information on those who supply controlled drugs and focus activity on disruption, intervention and enforcement;
- Influence young people by using our dedicated school campus officers and key partners to raise awareness of the life hanging effects of drug misuse and abuse;
- Support and work in close partnership with Police colleagues and partners to tackle SOCGs.

It is of vital importance in many aspects of criminality to recognise that early intervention, prevention and education in early years has a more positive long-term outcome for individuals and communities none more so than the dangers of drug misuse and abuse. Along with the detection of offenders, the gathering of intelligence and the enforcement of drug legislation we continue to provide drug awareness inputs to secondary schools and have delivered to 2682 pupils since August 2017. We have reported 25 detections for supply of drugs and executed many more warrants. We work alongside the Organised Crime Group officers who use intelligence gathered from local officers to construct a holistic picture of drug dealing and supply across Greater Glasgow. This allows our Divisional Proactive Units to target those people at the source of the drug supply and use disruption tactics to impact on their day to day activities.

<b>Drugs</b>			
Crime	Period	Number of detections	% Change
Number of detections for drugs supply, drugs productions, drugs cultivation	April – Dec 2017	24	-4%
	April – Dec 2016	25	

**Local Policing Priority** – Child abuse and child sexual exploitation

**National Policing Priority** – Protecting people at risk of harm

**Fairer East Ren Plan** – Reducing social isolation, loneliness and increasing safety

Protecting people at risk of harm remains a key priority for Police Scotland, we continue to work in partnership to increase awareness of all forms of abuse, exploitation and neglect. Our objectives include

- Utilise information sharing protocols to work with partners to identify vulnerable individuals at risk
- Encourage third party reporting through engagement with local partnerships

Campus officers have a key role to play through their day to day interaction with young people in schools. Not only do they provide education in relation to internet security, cyberbullying and on-line safety, they build relationships and trust with young people giving them confidence to talk to them about concerns they may have in a safe environment.

<b>Public Protection</b>			
Crime	Period		% Change
Sexual Crimes	April – Dec 2017	71	-4.1%
	April – Dec 2016	74	
	April – Dec(5 year average)	56.4	
Detection Rates			
Sexual Crimes	April – Dec 2017	54.9%	0.8%
	April – Dec 2016	54.1%	

### National Policing Priority – Road Safety and Road Crime

Although not identified as a local priority in the consultation process road safety remains an issue for local communities especially those with young children. Concerns have been raised about the safety of children in and around primary schools at the start and end of the school day. We have engaged in partnership working with East Renfrewshire Education Department, Roads, Environment, Parent Council, Community Council and Elected Members. Campus officers are working with East Renfrewshire Roads and Transportation Department to progress the longer term 'park and stride project' which aims to discourage drivers from bringing vehicles into the close proximity of schools and to encourage the healthy aspects of walking to school. In addition campus officers continue to deliver road safety messages in schools. Our Local Policing Teams attend each morning at a randomly selected primary school to provide a visible police presence reminding drivers of responsibilities of safe parking and drop off.

Issue	Period	No. of Casualties	% Change
People Killed	April – Dec 2017	0	none
	April – Dec 2016	0	
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People Seriously Injured	April – Dec 2017	12	none
	April – Dec 2016	12	
<b> </b>			
Children (aged<16) Killed	April – Dec 2017	0	none
	April – Dec 2016	0	
<b> </b>			
Children (aged<16) Seriously injured	April – Dec 2017	2	100%
	April – Dec 2016	1	

### National Policing Priority – Counter terrorism and Domestic Extremism

#### Conclusion

As Local Police Commander I am pleased to present the police report for the third quarter of 2017-2018. The report highlights some positives in driving down crime with serious assaults, housebreaking and domestic crimes all showing reductions in numbers. I am acutely aware of the challenges faced in terms of addressing the areas where our performance needs to be improved and keep improving. East Renfrewshire is an integral part of the division and continues to contribute to our overall performance. I am



delighted with the continued partnership work with East Renfrewshire Council and my commitment to the residents of East Renfrewshire continues.

Brian McNulty  
Chief Superintendent  
Divisional Commander  
Greater Glasgow Division

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## Appendix 1

**LOCAL AUTHORITY SCRUTINY BOARD - East Renfrewshire  
December 2017**

Violence, Disorder & Antisocial Behaviour					
		Apr 2017 - Dec 2017	Apr 2016 - Dec 2016	Victims	% Change
1	Total No Group1: Crimes of Violence	33	39	6 fewer	-15.4%
2	Murder	0	1	1 fewer	- 100.0%
3	Attempted Murder	1	1	same number	0.0%
4	Culpable Homicide (common law)	0	0	None	-
5	Culpable Homicide (other)	0	0	None	-
6	Serious Assault detection rate	73.3%	84.0%		-10.7%
7	Serious Assault	15	25	10 fewer	-40.0%
8	Robbery detection rate	91.7%	71.4%		20.3%
9	Robbery	12	7	5 more	71.4%
10	Common assault detection rate	60.4%	53.8%		6.6%
11	Common assault	366	346	20 more	5.8%
12	Number of complaints regarding disorder	2,114	1,714	400 more	23.3%

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<b>Violence, Disorder &amp; Antisocial Behaviour (continued)</b>					
		Apr 2017 - Dec 2017	Apr 2016 - Dec 2016	Victims	% Change
13	Number of Domestic Abuse Incidents Reported to the Police	418	394		6.1%
14	Total Crimes and offences in domestic abuse incidents	219	239		-8.4%
15	Percentage of Domestic Incidents that result in a crime being recorded	41.9%	46.4%		-4.5%
16	Total crimes and offences in domestic abuse incidents detection rate	69.9%	65.7%		4.2%
17	Total Detections for Domestic Bail Offences	18	12		50.0%
18	Ensure 95% of domestic abuse initial bail checks are conducted within a prescribed timeframe (24hrs)	98.5%	-		-
19	Hate Crime and offences detection rate	67.9%	56.2%		11.7%
<b>Violence, Disorder &amp; Antisocial Behaviour - Stop and Searches</b>					
		Apr 2017 - Dec 2017	Apr 2017 - Dec 2017 Positive	Victims	% Change
20	Number of stop and searches conducted (total)	433	164		
21	Number of statutory stop and searches conducted	433	164		
22	Number of consensual stop and searches conducted	0	0		
23	Number of consensual stop and searches refused	0	-		
24	Number of seizures made	138	-		
<p>On the 11th May 2017 Police Scotland adopted a new code of practice on the use of stop and search. At this time the use of non-statutory (Consensual) search ceased. The period covered by this report includes searches conducted prior to the introduction of the code. The table above provides information on consensual searches carried out before 11th May. Further information on Police Scotland's use of stop and search and on the code of practice is available on the Police Scotland Website.</p>					

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<b>Additional Identified Local Priorities</b>					
		Apr 2017 - Dec 2017	Apr 2016 - Dec 2016	Victims	% Change
25	Number of detections for drugs supply, drugs productions, drugs cultivation	24	25		-4.0%
26	Theft by housebreaking (including attempts) detection rate	17%	25%		-32%
27	Theft by housebreaking (including attempts)	92	100	8 fewer	-8%
28	Theft by shoplifting detection rate	50.5%	48.3%		2.2%
29	Theft by shoplifting	192	114	78 more	68.4%
30	Vandalism & Malicious Mischief detection rate	17.4%	13.5%		3.9%
31	Vandalism & Malicious Mischief	472	357	115 more	32.2%
32	Number of detections for Consuming Alcohol in a designated place (where appropriate byelaws exist)	61	75		-18.7%
<b>Public Protection</b>					
		Apr 2017 - Dec 2017	Apr 2016 - Dec 2016	Victims	% Change
33	Number of Sexual Crimes	71	74	3 fewer	-4.1%
34	Sexual Crimes detection rate	54.9%	54.1%		0.8%
35	Rape detection rate	28.6%	83.3%		-54.7%

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<b>Road Traffic Casualty Statistics</b>				
	Apr 2017 - Dec 2017	Apr 2016 - Dec 2016	Victims	% Change
People Killed	0	0	None	-
People Seriously injured	12	12	same number	0.0%
People Slightly Injured	69	72	3 fewer	-4.2%
Children (aged<16) Killed	0	0	None	-
Children (aged<16) Seriously Injured	2	1	1 more	100.0%

<b>Road Safety &amp; Road Crime</b>				
	Apr 2017 - Dec 2017	Apr 2016 - Dec 2016	Victims	% Change
36 Dangerous driving	18	22		-18.2%
37 Speeding	20	40		-50.0%
38 Disqualified driving	5	2		150.0%
39 Driving Licence	39	46		-15.2%
40 Insurance	81	115		-29.6%
41 Seat Belts	11	16		-31.3%
42 Mobile Phone	20	49		-59.2%

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<b>Public Confidence</b>					
		Apr 2017 - Dec 2017			
		Number of Complaints about the Police	Number of Complaints per 10,000 Police Incidents		
4 3	Complaints received about the Police	48	35.2		
		On Duty Allegation s	Off Duty Allegation s	Quality of Service Allegation s	Total Number of Allegation s
4 4	Total Allegations Recorded	58	0	11	69

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