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POLICE SCOTLAND
GREATER GLASGOW DIVISION
REPORT TO EAST RENFREWSHIRE CABINET
POLICE PERFORMANCE OVER THE 2nd 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 second 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 2014-2017

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. Tackling Violence, Disorder and Anti-social Behaviour.
2. Protecting People.
3. Increasing Public Confidence and Local Engagement.
4. Tackling Serious Crimes and Responding to Major Events.

Introduction

As your Local Police Commander I am pleased to present this year's second 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 last 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 will be the last update which reports against the Policing Plan 2014-2017 priorities.

Local Policing Priorities 2017-2020 have been identified as:

- Homes being broken into
- Antisocial behaviour and disorder
- Violent crime
- Drug dealing and misuse
- Child abuse including child sexual exploitation

Summary of Performance – April to September

Tackling Violence, Disorder and Antisocial Behaviour

We continue to focus on preventing violence, disorder and antisocial behaviour. Our objectives included a commitment to:

- Reduce violent crime including alcohol related violence
- Increase detections of violent offenders including those who commit domestic abuse and hate crime
- Reduce the number of assaults
- Reduce the number of complaints regarding anti-social behaviour including disorderly conduct and drunk in public

We have seen a significant rise in the numbers of complaints of antisocial behaviour in the community. These incidents are not specific to any one place, the effects being felt across the entire local authority. It is worth noting that while reported antisocial behaviour has risen there has been a similar increase in vandalism and assaults. Our officers remain focussed on tackling antisocial behaviour as an effective way of impacting on vandalism and assaults.

An action plan under the name of Operation Scythe was initiated and brought together officers from our Local Problem Solving Teams, Divisional Violence Reduction Unit, Mounted Branch, Local Policing Team and our partners from

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East Renfrewshire wardens and CCTV. While this enforcement action is concentrated in reducing the numbers of calls and detecting offenders it is important to note that it is part of an approach which includes education. Campus officers continue to be engaged in presentations to young people in schools about the effects antisocial behaviour has on communities.

Crimes			
Crime	Period	Number of Crimes	% Change
Crimes of Violence	April – Sept 2017	28	40%
	April – Sept 2016	20	
	April – Sep(5 year average)	26.4	
Serious Assault	April – Sept 2017	11	-8.3%
	April – Sept 2016	12	
	April – Sep(5 year average)	10.4	
Robbery	April – Sept 2017	12	300%
	April – Sept 2016	3	
	April – Sep(5 year average)	6	
Common Assault	April – Sept 2017	248	5.5%
	April – Sept 2016	235	
	April – Sep(5 year average)	193.8	

Detection Rates			
Crime	Period	Detection Rate	% Change
Serious Assault	April – Sept 2017	54.6%	-53.7%
	April – Sept 2016	108.3%	
Robbery	April – Sept 2017	83.3%	16.6%
	April – Sept 2016	66.7%	
Common Assault	April – Sept 2017	61.3%	8.5%
	April – Sept 2016	52.8%	

Disorder			
Issue	Period	No. of Complaints	% Change
Complaints of Disorder	April – Sept 2017	1555	29%
	April – Sept 2016	1205	
Vandalism	April – Sept 2017	331	43.9%
	April – Sept 2016	230	

LOCAL POLICING PLAN PRIORITY 2 – PROTECTING PEOPLE

Our commitment to tackling all forms of abuse continues.

Our objectives include a commitment to:

- Work with partner agencies to support victims of domestic abuse
- Encourage victims and witnesses to report all incidents of hate crime to help stop hatred motivated by prejudice and discrimination
- Achieve national targets in respect of all Multi Agency Public Protection Arrangements
- Reduce road deaths and serious injuries
- Improve road user behaviour through enforcement of legislation
- Reduce the number of housebreakings

We have remained focused on dealing quickly and effectively with incidences of domestic abuse compared to the same period last year, the number of domestic abuse crimes has reduced whilst the proportion of offenders detected has increased. While this is very positive, we have to be satisfied that any reduction in numbers is not the result of a loss of confidence in reporting, and that we maintain our focus and commitment to supporting victims of domestic abuse. A review of the process by which we refer vulnerable victims of domestic abuse to ASSIST has ensured that victims get access to support as soon as possible.

Greater Glasgow's Public Protection Unit 'Non Recent Investigation Unit', is a team of specialist officers who are dedicated to engaging and investigating reports of non-recent sexual abuse. The team are working closely with Rape Crisis Scotland to ensure victims are receiving the appropriate support. Due to the success of this team, it has recently been expanded and now incorporates additional specialist officers to effectively progress significant investigations. The Unit has received positive feedback from partners and victims.

Crime	Period		% Change
Domestic Abuse	April – Sept 2017	137	-20.8%
	April – Sept 2016	173	
	April – Sep(5 year average)	161	
Detection Rates			
Domestic Abuse	April – Sept 2017	67.2%	3.6%
	April – Sept 2016	63.6%	
Hate Crime	April – Sept 2017	57.5%	1.1%
	April – Sept 2016	56.4%	

Tackling sexual abuse and the exploitation of children and vulnerable people remains a key priority. The Child Abuse Investigation Unit (CAIU) are currently undertaking significant work in relation to the identification and investigation of instances of Child Sexual Exploitation. The year to date number of reported sexual crimes remains consistent at 45 compared to last year.

Child abuse and child sexual exploitation has been highlighted by communities as a priority area for policing in the coming months and years. Some concerns arise out of the information that children and young people are exposed to on the internet. Our campus officers are providing guidance and advice on internet safety and cyber bullying to secondary school pupils.

Public Protection			
Crime	Period		% Change
Sexual Crimes	April – Sept 2017	45	0%
	April – Sept 2016	45	
	April – Sep(5 year average)	36.2	
Detection Rates			
Sexual Crimes	April – Sept 2017	46.7%	-8.9%
	April – Sept 2016	55.6%	
Rape	April – Sept 2017	33.3%	-46.7%
	April – Sept 2016	80%	

We continue to see a reduction in the numbers of homes being broken into showing 8 fewer victims. In addition there has been an increase in the number of people reported to the Procurator Fiscal for these crimes. It is important to recognise that the reduction in the number of housebreakings, that are recorded in line with Scottish Crime Recording Standards, where the security of a building is overcome, has to be viewed alongside increasing numbers of sneak in thefts where houses have not been secured and perpetrators are able to get into houses through unlocked doors. We have been promoting crime prevention messages through social media and community councils and continue encourage residents to keep themselves and their property safe.

Crime	Period	Detection Rate	% Change
Theft by Housebreaking (inc attempts)	April – Sept 2017	100	-7.4%
	April – Sept 2016	108	
Detection Rates			
Theft by Housebreaking (inc attempts)	April – Sept 2017	26%	1.9%
	April – Sept 2016	24.1%	

We continue with Operation Rubber, a local action plan tackling driver behaviour. The Local Problem Solving Teams have focussed some of their time in tackling speeding drivers in East Renfrewshire.

Our efforts, along with those of our partners, in the coming months is to tackle the issue of parking and dropping off / picking up children in and around primary schools.

Issue	Period	No. of Casualties	% Change
People Killed	April – Sept 2017	0	
	April – Sept 2016	0	
 			
People Seriously Injured	April – Sept 2017	9	28.6%
	April – Sept 2016	7	
 			
Children (aged<16) Killed	April – Sept 2017	0	
	April – Sept 2016	0	
 			
Children (aged<16) Seriously injured	April – Sept 2017	1	
	April – Sept 2016	0	

LOCAL POLICING PLAN PRIORITY 3 – INCREASE PUBLIC CONFIDENCE AND LOCAL ENGAGEMENT

To ensure that we maintain public confidence we are committed to listening to local people. Our objectives include a commitment to:-

- Report on performance measured against the local priorities identified by the public
- Maintain high levels of public confidence in policing
- Actively engage with local communities
- Maintain high standards of professional conduct

Our 'Your View Counts' survey was refreshed and relaunched in August this year, changing the way we carry out our public consultation. The digital on-line survey which can be accessed at any time, contains 27 questions and takes on average about 15 minutes to complete.

As part of 'Your View Counts', members of the community are given the opportunity to provide their views on both local and national priorities. In September 2016, a Polish language version of the survey was launched. Other engagement activities have been planned each month with different communities to encourage participation across our diverse population, with responses being recorded in all the city's Multi-Member Ward areas. The first

12 months of results from the previous survey have now been published and form the foundations on which our 2017–2020 Policing Plan.

In addition to this, we continue to undertake regular customer satisfaction surveys with over 150 people every month who have reported crimes or incidents to us. This helps us monitor public satisfaction and confidence, whilst ensuring that people receive an excellent policing service in Glasgow. Overall, public confidence in Greater Glasgow Division remains high, at 73.4% in Q2 and 75.2% of respondents rating their satisfaction with the service as either high or very high.

As Local Policing Commander, my recently launched Twitter account '@ChSuptMcInulty' has allowed me to provide regular updates on policing issues and local events. As a division, we will continue to exploit every means available to improve local engagement in Glasgow.

Our satisfaction rates remain favourable and we continue to work to improve our service. We welcome comment from those who come into contact with us and from communities on how we can further improve.

LOCAL POLICING PLAN PRIORITY 4 – TACKLING SERIOUS CRIME AND NATIONAL EVENTS

Tackling serious and organised crime remains one of our key priorities. Our objectives included a commitment to:

- Work with partners to deprive organised crime groups access to financial gains, achieved through legitimate enterprises; and
- Target organised crime groups through proceeds of crime legislation
- Disrupt the supply of drugs into communities

Between July and September, 145 individuals linked to SAOC were arrested which resulted in a total of 223 offences being reported in the Greater Glasgow Division. Officers have continued to exploit the Proceeds of Crime Act to deprive criminals of cash and assets obtained illegally. So far this year we have seized in the region of £876,000 in cash and assets.

Greater Glasgow's Serious and Organised Crime Teams have been focused upon a number of operations that have had an impact throughout the division and further afield. This has involved surveillance operations, which has resulted in a greater understanding of those involved and of those who pose the greatest harm to our local communities.

In September 2017 officers from our Serious and Organised Crime Teams gave a presentation to councillors on the work they do and how it affects local communities.

We remain focussed on reducing the availability of drugs in our communities and on acting robustly when information identifies such criminality. So far this year we have executed 13 drugs warrants in East Renfrewshire.

Conclusion

As Local Police Commander, I am delighted to present this second update on our policing activities and to share some of the really positive outcomes that have been achieved. Notwithstanding these successes, I am aware of the challenges we face in terms of addressing the areas where outcomes need to improve. I remain confident that if we are to achieve our common aim of keeping people safe in Glasgow, then it is absolutely critical that we continue to work together to get the most from our shared resources. The progress made to date has been impressive but none of it would have been possible without us working together.

Thank you for your continued support and access to vital resources and assets.

Brian McNulty
Chief Superintendent
Divisional Commander
Greater Glasgow Division

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Appendix 1

LOCAL AUTHORITY SCRUTINY BOARD - East Renfrewshire
April to September 2017

Violence, Disorder & Antisocial Behaviour					
		Apr 2017 - Sep 2017	Apr 2016 - Sep 2016	Victims	% Change
1	Total No Group1: Crimes of Violence	28	20	8 more	40.0%
(Context)					
2	Murder	0	1	1 fewer	-100.0%
(Context)					
3	Attempted Murder	1	0	1 more	-
(Context)					
4	Culpable Homicide (common law)	0	0	None	-
(Context)					
5	Culpable Homicide (other)	0	0	None	-
(Context)					
6	Serious Assault detection rate	54.6%	108.3%		-53.7%
(Context)					
7	Serious Assault	11	12	1 fewer	-8.3%
(Context)					
8	Robbery detection rate	83.3%	66.7%		16.6%
(Context)					
9	Robbery	12	3	9 more	300.0%
(Context)					
10	Common assault detection rate	61.3%	52.8%		8.5%
(Context)					
11	Common assault	248	235	13 more	5.5%
(Context)					
12	Number of complaints regarding disorder	1,555	1,205	350 more	29.0%
(Context)					

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Violence, Disorder & Antisocial Behaviour (continued)					
		Apr 2017 - Sep 2017	Apr 2016 - Sep 2016	Victims	% Change
13	Number of Domestic Abuse Incidents Reported to the Police	255	276		-7.6%
(Context)					
14	Total Crimes and offences in domestic abuse incidents	137	173		-20.8%
(Context)					
15	Percentage of Domestic Incidents that result in a crime being recorded	45.5%	48.2%		-2.7%
(Context)					
16	Total crimes and offences in domestic abuse incidents detection rate	67.2%	63.6%		3.6%
(Context)					
17	Total Detections for Domestic Bail Offences	11	8		37.5%
(Context)					
18	Ensure 95% of domestic abuse initial bail checks are conducted within a prescribed timeframe (24hrs)	95.7%	-		-
(Context)					
19	Hate Crime and offences detection rate	57.5%	56.4%		1.1%
(Context)					
Violence, Disorder & Antisocial Behaviour - Stop and Searches					
		Apr 2017 - Sep 2017	Apr 2017 - Sep 2017 Positive	Victims	% Change
20	Number of stop and searches conducted (total)	329	115		
21	Number of statutory stop and searches conducted	329	115		
22	Number of consensual stop and searches conducted	0	0		
23	Number of consensual stop and searches refused	0	-		
24	Number of seizures made	112	-		
<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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Additional Identified Local Priorities					
		Apr 2017 - Sep 2017	Apr 2016 - Sep 2016	Victims	% Change
25	Number of detections for drugs supply, drugs productions, drugs cultivation	12	20		-40.0%
(Context)					
26	Theft by housebreaking (including attempts) detection rate	26.0%	24.1%		1.9%
(Context)					
27	Theft by housebreaking (including attempts)	100	108	8 fewer	-7.4%
(Context)					
28	Theft by shoplifting detection rate	50.3%	47.9%		2.4%
(Context)					
29	Theft by shoplifting	157	71	86 more	121.1%
(Context)					
30	Vandalism & Malicious Mischief detection rate	19.9%	15.2%		4.7%
(Context)					
31	Vandalism & Malicious Mischief	331	230	101 more	43.9%
(Context)					
32	Number of detections for Consuming Alcohol in a designated place (where appropriate byelaws exist)	45	59		-23.7%
(Context)					
Public Protection					
		Apr 2017 - Sep 2017	Apr 2016 - Sep 2016	Victims	% Change
33	Number of Sexual Crimes	45	45	same number	0.0%
(Context)					
34	Sexual Crimes detection rate	46.7%	55.6%		-8.9%
(Context)					
35	Rape detection rate	33.3%	80.0%		-46.7%
(Context)					

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Road Traffic Casualty Statistics				
	Apr 2017 - Sep 2017	Apr 2016 - Sep 2016	Victims	% Change
People Killed	0	0	None	-
People Seriously injured	9	7	2 more	28.6%
People Slightly Injured	40	48	8 fewer	-16.7%
(Context)				
Children (aged<16) Killed	0	0	None	-
Children (aged<16) Seriously Injured	1	0	1 more	-
(Context)				

Road Safety & Road Crime				
	Apr 2017 - Sep 2017	Apr 2016 - Sep 2016	Victims	% Change
36 Dangerous driving	11	17		-35.3%
(Context)				
37 Speeding	15	33		-54.5%
(Context)				
38 Disqualified driving	3	2		50.0%
(Context)				
39 Driving Licence	21	33		-36.4%
(Context)				
40 Insurance	56	67		-16.4%
(Context)				
41 Seat Belts	8	16		-50.0%
(Context)				
42 Mobile Phone	17	40		-57.5%
(Context)				

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Public Confidence					
		Apr 2017 - Sep 2017			
		Number of Complaints about the Police		Number of Complaints per 10,000 Police Incidents	
4 3	Complaints received about the Police	34		36.8	
(Context)					
		On Duty Allegations	Off Duty Allegations	Quality of Service Allegations	Total Number of Allegations
4 4	Total Allegations Recorded	38	0	6	44
(Context)					

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