



Greater Glasgow Division
Report to East Renfrewshire Cabinet
Police Performance Report
Quarter 3 – 2014/2015

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 2014/2015. This narrative should be considered in conjunction with the accompanying Local Authority Scrutiny Board statistical report that is at the end of this report (Appendix 1).

Local Management

Chief Superintendent Andy Bates continues as Divisional Commander of Greater Glasgow Division.

Chief Inspector Angela Carty also continues as Area Commander of East Renfrewshire supported by Deputy Area Commander Alan Dickson and Sergeant Jim Boyle who continues as Local Authority Liaison Officer.

East Renfrewshire Policing Plan 2014-2015

The priorities within the policing plan were identified through engagement and consultation across East Renfrewshire, this included our annual community consultation and the results combined with crime analysis and demand has led to the following priorities being identified:-

- 1 Tackling Violence, Disorder and Antisocial Behaviour
- 2 Protecting People
- 3 Increasing Public Confidence and Local Engagement
- 4 Tackling Serious Crime and Responding to Major Events.

Summary of Performance – Financial Year to Date

Priority 1 - Tackling Violence, Disorder and Antisocial Behaviour

This priority represents one of the key challenges facing our communities. We continue to focus on reducing violence, disorder and anti-social behaviour. Our objectives include a commitment to

- Increase detection of violent offenders, including those who commit domestic abuse and hate crime
- Reduce the number of complaints regarding antisocial behaviour

The last quarter report updated that serious assaults and common assaults were increasing. This trend although not reversed has slowed during this 3 month period. There have been an additional two serious assaults both of which occurred at the beginning of this quarter. The deployment of officers targeting areas known to violence and the robust policing of licensed premises has contributed fall in violent crime. The close scrutiny of licensed premises has provided reassurance to staff and customers within. Knowledge that the police visit regularly has given staff confidence to run public houses giving due regard to their roles and responsibilities in relation to their licence.

Although common assaults continue at levels above that of last year the increase has slowed and where we were 16% above last years numbers on quarter two we are 6.5% above last years numbers in quarter three, this equates to 18 more victims of violence.

The detection rates for both serious assault and common assault remain at high levels. Our focus is always to prevent violent crime from occurring however where it does we are working to detect the perpetrators.

Reports of incidents of disorder throughout East Renfrewshire continue to fall with a 20.5% drop in complaints regarding disorder from the same period last year. This equates to 490 fewer calls.

Vandalism has also reduced with 33 fewer incidents than last year.

Street drinking is also down by 22.8%

Priority 2 - Protecting People

Keeping people safe is a cornerstone of Police Scotland. 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
- Improve road user behaviour through enforcement of legislation

There would appear to be an increased confidence in the system for reporting domestic abuse. This has resulted in an increase of 32.3% of domestic abuse incidents being reported to us.

Our Reactive Domestic Abuse Unit continues to work with our key partners and is collocated with Advocacy, Support, Safety and Information Services (ASSIST) at Eastgate. Within East Renfrewshire we also use the services of East Renfrewshire Domestic Abuse Project. This ensures that some of the most vulnerable victims get access to the right support as soon as possible.

In East Renfrewshire we have an 84.3% detection rate for crimes and offences committed in domestic abuse incidents.

Assisting local officers is the Domestic Abuse Investigation Unit (DAIU) which has dealt with a number of investigations resulting in serious and serial domestic abuse perpetrators being brought to justice.

The detection rate for hate crime has fallen slightly but several reports are still being investigated and have ongoing lines of enquiry. Incidents of this nature are constantly reviewed and we are hopeful that this figure will improve significantly.

Housebreaking is an issue which continues to affect the residents of East Renfrewshire. The detection rate for housebreaking crimes in this quarter is up 7.8%. This is due to training and guidance from CID officers regarding scenes of crime opportunities and new advances in crime detection. A force initiative tackling vehicle crime and housebreaking was initiated in November 2014 with the operational aspect of it starting in January. The early results from this have been encouraging and a full update will be included in the final quarter of this year.

In an effort to keep our roads safe within East Renfrewshire we continue our road safety initiative which means we have a designated vehicle which focuses on influencing road user behaviour. As a result of this there has been a substantial reduction in the number of speeding offences by 44.0%.

Priority 3 - Increasing 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:-

- Undertake an annual Community Consultation Survey
- Publish Multi Member Ward Policing Plans based on the result of the Community Consultation Survey and other forms of community engagement
- Publish Quarterly updates outlining progress towards achieving the objectives outlined in the Multi Member Ward Policing Plans
- Report on performance measured against the local priorities identified by the public

The results of this years public consultation have just been received and work is ongoing to analyse these along with views from our local partners to identify prioritise for communities in the coming year.

Engagement continues to be a high priority within East Renfrewshire and the management team at East Renfrewshire sub division are currently meeting with the Councillors from all of the multi member wards to discuss policing issues within their areas.

Priority 4 - Tackling Serious Crime and Responding to Major Events.

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

- Reduce the capability of organised crime groups to cause harm to communities
- Target organised crime groups through proceeds of crime legislation

Serious and organised crime in the UK is a multi-billion pound industry. It is invariably international and sophisticated but it also strikes at the heart of our local communities, creating suffering and misery for its victims. All officers in Greater Glasgow Division are engaged in tackling Serious and Organised Crime and are supported by specialist resources. The main objective is to keep our communities safe and allow them to flourish.

The following information highlights our continuing efforts to divert, disrupt, deter and detect individuals involved in serious and organised crime:

Organised Crime is the medium by which drugs are available in local communities.

Between April – December 2014 in the East Renfrewshire area there have been 30 detections for drug supply cases which is a significant increase on the 2013 figure of 12. In East Renfrewshire we have already detected more offences than for the whole of last year.

Between April – January 2015 within Greater Glasgow Division:

479 persons involved in Serious and organised crimes have been arrested.

Through the use of proceeds of crime legislation, criminals were deprived of £11,565,231. This figure includes restraints of assets, cash seizures and expedited referrals where criminal conduct or a criminal purpose was suspected.

Conclusion

As Local Police Commander, I am pleased to present this third update report on our Local Policing Plan for East Renfrewshire 2014/17. We have shown that performance overall has been positive however I know there are some areas where there is work to be done. We will continue to focus on these areas and the concerns highlighted by local communities in our recent public consultation process. The strong relationship built between East Renfrewshire Council and the police has an effective impact on service delivery and I would like to express my gratitude to our partners for this and acknowledge the support given by many departments across the council family.

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Greater Glasgow Division

Appendix 1

LOCAL AUTHORITY SCRUTINY BOARD - East Renfrewshire December 2014

Violence, Disorder & Antisocial Behaviour					
		Apr 2014 - Dec 2014	Apr 2013 - Dec 2013	Victims	% Change
1	Total No Group1: Crimes of Violence	35	28	7 more	25.0%
(Context)					
2	Murder	1	0	1 more	-
(Context)					
3	Attempted Murder	4	4	same number	0.0%
(Context)					
4	Culpable Homicide (common law)	0	0	None	-
(Context)					
5	Culpable Homicide (other)	0	0	None	-
(Context)					
6	Serious Assault detection rate	88.9%	91.7%		-2.8%
(Context)					
7	Serious Assault	18	12	6 more	50.0%
(Context)					
8	Robbery detection rate	50.0%	60.0%		-10.0%
(Context)					
9	Robbery	4	5	1 fewer	-20.0%
(Context)					
10	Common assault detection rate	70.9%	63.2%		7.7%
(Context)					
11	Common assault	295	277	18 more	6.5%
(Context)					
12	Stop and searches conducted	5,827	9,912		-41.2%
(Context)					
13	Number of positive stop and searches conducted.	1,068	1,686		-36.7%
(Context)					
14	Number of complaints regarding disorder	1,896	2,386	490 fewer	-20.5%
(Context)					

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Violence, Disorder & Antisocial Behaviour (continued)					
		Apr 2014 - Dec 2014	Apr 2013 - Dec 2013	Victims	% Change
15	Number of Domestic Abuse Incidents Reported to the Police	417	361		15.5%
(Context)					
16	Total Crimes and offences in domestic abuse incidents	293	274		6.9%
(Context)					
17	Percentage of Domestic Incidents that result in a crime being recorded	55.6%	58.7%		-3.1%
(Context)					
18	Total crimes and offences in domestic abuse incidents detection rate	84.3%	75.9%		8.4%
(Context)					
19	Total Detections for Domestic Bail Offences	23	22		4.5%
(Context)					
20	Ensure 95% of domestic abuse initial bail checks are conducted within a prescribed timeframe (24hrs)	97.3%	-		-
(Context)					
21	Hate Crime and offences detection rate	72.9%	79.3%		-6.4%
(Context)					

Additional Identified Local Priorities					
		Apr 2014 - Dec 2014	Apr 2013 - Dec 2013	Victims	% Change
22	Number of detections for drugs supply, drugs productions, drugs cultivation	25	18		38.9%
(Context)					
23	Theft by housebreaking (including attempts) detection rate	23.1%	15.3%		7.8%
(Context)					
24	Theft by housebreaking (including attempts)	199	183	16 more	8.7%
(Context)					
25	Theft by shoplifting detection rate	55.1%	72.3%		-17.2%
(Context)					
26	Theft by shoplifting	89	101	12 fewer	-11.9%
(Context)					

27	Vandalism & Malicious Mischief detection rate	12.1%	11.1%		1.0%
(Context)					
28	Vandalism & Malicious Mischief	398	431	33 fewer	-7.7%
(Context)					
29	Number of detections for Consuming Alcohol in a designated place (where appropriate byelaws exist)	173	224		-22.8%
(Context)					

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Public Protection					
		Apr 2014 - Dec 2014	Apr 2013 - Dec 2013	Victims	% Change
30	Number of Group 2 - Crimes of Indecency	44	41	3 more	7.3%
(Context)					
31	Group 2 crimes detection rate	75.0%	56.1%		18.9%
(Context)					
32	Rape detection rate	100.0%	50.0%		50.0%
(Context)					

Road Traffic Casualty Statistics					
		Apr 2014 - Dec 2014	Apr 2013 - Dec 2013	Victims	% Change
	People Killed	0	1	1 fewer	-100.0%
	People Seriously injured	12	9	3 more	33.3%
	People Slightly Injured	69	74	5 fewer	-6.8%
(Context)					
	Children (aged<16) Killed	0	0	None	-
	Children (aged<16) Seriously Injured	3	1	2 more	200.0%
(Context)					

Road Safety & Road Crime					
		Apr 2014 - Dec 2014	Apr 2013 - Dec 2013	Victims	% Change
33	Dangerous driving	15	14		7.1%
(Context)					
34	Speeding	478	853		-44.0%
(Context)					
35	Disqualified driving	5	9		-44.4%
(Context)					
36	Driving Licence	40	63		-36.5%
(Context)					
37	Insurance	139	153		-9.2%
(Context)					
38	Seat Belts	249	425		-41.4%
(Context)					
39	Mobile Phone	250	368		-32.1%
(Context)					

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Public Confidence					
		Apr 2014 - Dec 2014			
		Number of Complaints about the Police		Number of Complaints per 10,000 Police Incidents	
40	Complaints received about the Police	16		13.1	
(Context)					
		On Duty Allegations	Off Duty Allegations	Quality of Service Allegations	Total Number of Allegations
41	Total Allegations Recorded	23	1	6	30
(Context)					