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# POLICE SCOTLAND GREATER GLASGOW DIVISION REPORT TO EAST RENFREWSHIRE CABINET POLICE PERFORMANCE OVER THE 2nd QUARTER OF FINANCIAL YEAR 2015/2016

## **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 2015/2016. This narrative should be considered in conjunction with the accompanying Local Authority Scrutiny Board statistical report that is at the end of this report.

#### **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 Inspector Alan Dickson and Sergeant Jim Boyle who continues as 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, 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 1 APRIL TO 30 SEPTEMBER

## EAST RENFREWSHIRE POLICING PLAN PRIORITY 1 - 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

Overall crimes of violence in East Renfrewshire have reduced by 9.1%. We have seen a significant reduction in serious assaults meaning 10 fewer victims of this type of crime. In addition there has been a decrease of 5.4% in common assaults. The detection rates for common and serious assault is currently 75% and 73% respectively.

In the first quarter of this performance year we reported an increasing trend in robberies and this report reflects an additional 7 when compared to the same period last year. We continue our intelligence led approach to targeting and detecting offenders and show an improved detection rate for robberies.

Although not contained in this report the numbers of recorded hate crimes have reduced from 36 to 27. The detection rates have shown a decrease from the same period last year dropping from 75.6% to 69%. We continue to challenge those who engage in these types of crimes through robust investigations and through training we ensure our staff are alive to the wide ranging detrimental effect this type of crime has on our community.

Disorder and anti-social behaviour continues on a downward trend reducing by 7.6%. This type of behaviour often has a negative impact on communities and has been identified by residents in East Renfrewshire as one of their local priorities and is reflected in the MMW plans. Analysis of this type of incident allows to put in place directed patrol plans targeting officers to the right places at the right times.

#### LOCAL POLICING PLAN PRIORITY 2 - PROTECTING PEOPLE

Keeping People safe is a priority for Police Scotland. Our objectives included a commitment to:

- Work with partner agencies to support victims of domestic abuse
- Work with partners and media to encourage people to report domestic abuse and sexual crime
- Reduce road deaths and serious injuries
- Reduce the number of housebreakings

We have remained focussed on dealing quickly and effectively with domestic abuse incidents in Greater Glasgow Division and compared to the same period last year, the number of domestic abuse incidents has reduced whilst the proportion of offenders detected has increased to 84.7%.

Tackling sexual crime and the sexual abuse and exploitation of children and people at risk of harm remains a key priority. Our reactive domestic abuse unit continues to provide support in more protracted enquiries. We have seen an increase in sexual assaults, some of this has been a result of retrospective enquiries carried out by specialists department looking at historic crimes. This rigorous approach towards supporting victims of historic crimes has contributed to a rise in the number of victims identified, 15 more this year than last. Whilst we would like to reduce the numbers of victims it is encouraging that detection rates are high at 83.7%. Increasing numbers of crimes occur through social media and we are likely to see a continuing rise in crime committed using modern communications media and technology. Our Campus officers are proactive in this field delivering advice and inputs on how to stay safe in the digital environment.

The protection of children and vulnerable young people is a priority for Police Scotland. PPU management within Greater Glasgow Division along with partners have agreed to implement a formalised Initial Referral Discussion (IRD) where there is an identified risk of harm or potential risk of harm to a child.

This process will allow all relevant partners to discuss on an inter-agency basis an agreed set of actions, document the agreement on a single form and use this process to review progress towards the partnership objectives associated with the child protection investigation.

Training and planning surrounding this process is currently under way with a view to pilot the agreed formalised IRD process within Glasgow from January 2016 whilst liaison continues with East Renfrewshire and East Dunbartonshire in relation to a wider roll out. This is a significant advancement and falls in line with previous recommendations highlighted within multi-agency inspections.

Theft by housebreaking has reduced by 18.9% with 25 fewer victims. The detection rate is still below that of last year but has improved from the first quarter. In July 2015 proactive steps were taken by Greater Glasgow Division to tackle housebreaking. Operation Neighbourhood, resourced by local community police officers with in depth knowledge of their own particular geographical areas, were joined by CID officers. The team have had some significant results in detecting known offenders across the division including East Renfrewshire. Offenders have been targeted using DNA technology and local intelligence.

In August 2015 a national campaign targeting vulnerable road users was launched. The number of children under 16 seriously injured on the road has decreased from 2 to 0. Campus Officers in East Renfrewshire attended at primary schools and engaged with parents and children. They targeted the perennial issue of parking vehicles in and around schools in such a way that may cause danger to children crossing. They gave sound advice to children around safe crossing of roads, something which is reiterated continually with children.

Campus Officers were also involved in Safety in the Park in August 2015 when all primary seven children across East Renfrewshire attended a half day safety event covering road safety, online safety, stranger danger as well as the danger of drugs, alcohol and New Psychoactive Substances.

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

## **Objectives**

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

- Publish 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
- Maintain high levels of public confidence in policing
- Actively engage with local communities
- Maintain high standards of professional conduct

The updates for the Multi Member Ward Plans have been completed and will soon be available on the Police Scotland Website www.scotland.police.uk.

A public consultation validation exercise was carried out in September set up to ensure that we were continuing to focus on the issues that most mattered to communities.

Meetings with locally elected members, Area Commander and the Community Policing Sergeant for the wards have continued allowing for discussion and exchange of views in relation to the ward areas.

In addition, we also undertake regular customer satisfaction surveys with over 150 people every month who have reported crimes or incidents to us. This exercise 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 with 80.6% of respondents rating their confidence level as either high or very high. User satisfaction with service provided was also high at 80.7%

## 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
- Target organised crime groups through proceeds of crime legislation

Serious and organised crime (SAOC) in the UK is a multi-million pound industry. It is invariably international and sophisticated, striking at the heart of our local communities. All officers in Greater Glasgow Division are engaged in tackling serious and organised crime and they are supported by specialist resources. The main objective is to keep our communities safe and allow them to flourish.

During the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2015/16, 319 SOAC individuals were arrested and police activity in the Greater Glasgow Division alone has helped deprive criminals of over £2,998,000 in cash and assets, seized under the Proceeds of Crime Act.

#### Conclusion

As Local Police Commander I am pleased to present this policing plan update for the second quarter of 2015-2016. Overall progress is positive with crimes of violence reducing and continued efforts to bring those to justice have resulted in encouraging detection rates. We have made excellent progress in tackling the issues that cause most concern to our communities. I am delighted with the continued partnership work with East Renfrewshire Council and local voluntary groups and my commitment to the residents of East Renfrewshire continues to be keeping them safe.

Andy Bates QPM
Chief Superintendent
Divisional Commander
Greater Glasgow Division

Angela Carty Chief Inspector Area Commander East Renfrewshire

Violence, Disorder & Antisocial Behaviour					
		Apr 2015 - Sep 2015	Apr 2014 - Sep 2014	Victims	% Change
1	Total No Group1: Crimes of Violence	30	33	3 fewer	-9.1%
2	Murder	0	1	1 fewer	- 100.0%
3	Attempted Murder	0	4	4 fewer	100.0%
4	Culpable Homicide (common law)	0	0	None	-
5	Culpable Homicide (other)	0	0	None	-
6	Serious Assault detection rate	75.0%	94.4%		-19.4%
7	Serious Assault	8	18	10 fewer	-55.6%
8	Robbery detection rate	80.0%	66.7%		13.3%
9	Robbery	10	3	7 more	233.3%
10	Common assault detection rate	73.0%	74.5%		-1.5%
11	Common assault	174	184	10 fewer	-5.4%
12	Number of complaints regarding disorder	1,229	1,403	174 fewer	-12.4%

Violence, Disorder & Antisocial Behaviour (continued)							
		Apr 2015 - Sep 2015	Apr 2014 - Sep 2014	Victims	% Change		
13	Number of Domestic Abuse Incidents Reported to the Police	251	300		-16.3%		
14	Total Crimes and offences in domestic abuse incidents	150	198		-24.2%		
15	Percentage of Domestic Incidents that result in a crime being recorded	49.0%	56.7%		-7.7%		
16	Total crimes and offences in domestic abuse incidents detection rate	84.7%	78.8%		5.9%		
17	Total Detections for Domestic Bail Offences	11	17		-35.3%		
18	Ensure 95% of domestic abuse initial bail checks are conducted within a prescribed timeframe (24hrs)	94.1%	-		-		
19	Hate Crime and offences detection rate	69.0%	75.6%		-6.6%		
	Violence, Disorder & Antisocial Behaviour - Stop and Searches						
	,	Jun 2015 - Aug 2015	Jun 2015 - Aug 2015 (Positive)	Victims	% Change		
20	Number of stop and searches conducted (total)	278	63				
21	Number of statutory stop and searches conducted	186	54				
22	Number of consensual stop and searches conducted	92	9				
23	Number of consensual stop and searches refused	1	-				
24	Number of seizures made	67	-				

An enhanced version of the National Stop & Search Database commenced on 1 June 2015. The enhanced database brought significant changes in the process of data capture and the methodology for recording data items. No previous year to date figures are provided as it has been previously acknowledged this data is not 100% accurate, therefore comparisons will provide misleading results or invalid conclusions. Management Information and data in respect of stop and search can be found on the Police Scotland website via http://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/police-scotland/stop-and-search-data-publication.

September 2013						
Additional Identified Local Priorities						
		Apr 2015 - Sep 2015	Apr 2014 - Sep 2014	Victims	% Change	
25	Number of detections for drugs supply, drugs productions, drugs cultivation	16	20		-20.0%	
26	Theft by housebreaking (including attempts) detection rate	25.2%	28.0%		-2.8%	
27	Theft by housebreaking (including attempts)	107	132	25 fewer	-18.9%	
28	Theft by shoplifting detection rate	51.2%	61.8%		-10.6%	
29	Theft by shoplifting	84	55	29 more	52.7%	
30	Vandalism & Malicious Mischief detection rate	10.9%	13.0%		-2.1%	
31	Vandalism & Malicious Mischief	248	276	28 fewer	-10.1%	
32	Number of detections for Consuming Alcohol in a designated place (where appropriate byelaws exist)	60	131		-54.2%	
Public Protection						
		Apr 2015 - Sep 2015	Apr 2014 - Sep 2014	Victims	% Change	
33	Number of Sexual Crimes	49	34	15 more	44.1%	
34	Sexual Crimes detection rate	83.7%	82.4%		1.3%	
35	Rape detection rate	83.3%	100.0%		-16.7%	

Road Traffic Casualty Statistics							
	Apr 2015 - Sep 2015	Apr 2014 - Sep 2014	Victims	% Change			
People Killed	0	0	None	-			
People Seriously injured	8	9	1 fewer	-11.1%			
People Slightly Injured	40	50	10 fewer	-20.0%			
Children (aged<16) Killed	0	0	None	-			
Children (aged<16) Seriously Injured	0	2	2 fewer	-100.0%			

Road Safety & Road Crime						
		Apr 2015 - Sep 2015	Apr 2014 - Sep 2014	Victims	% Change	
36	Dangerous driving	9	8		12.5%	
37	Speeding	131	379		-65.4%	
38	Disqualified driving	4	3		33.3%	
39	Driving Licence	20	28		-28.6%	
40	Insurance	73	85		-14.1%	
41	Seat Belts	32	156		-79.5%	
42	Mobile Phone	75	145		-48.3%	

	Public Confidence							
	Apr 2015 - Sep 2015							
		Number of Complaints Complaints about the Police Incidents						
4 3	Complaints received about the Police	15		18.7				
		On Duty Allegation s	Off Duty Allegation s	Quality of Service Allegation s	Total Number of Allegation s			
4 4	Total Allegations Recorded	22	0	3	25			