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Community Council Meeting Updates

Our focus..... Your priorities

INTRODUCTION

This report covers progress we have made in dealing with your priorities for the **Crookfur & Westacres Community Council** area for the period **5th September to 5th October 2022**. Details of the current policing plan, incorporating the policing priorities, are provided at the end of this report for your reference.

This report aims to highlight emerging issues in your area, and to provide crime prevention advice and guidance to the members of the Community Council and to the residents that they represent. The report is provided as a courtesy and is not a statutory requirement. We endeavour to provide a report to the Community Council in advance of each of their meetings.

Community Police are increasing foot patrols in your local area given the increased footfall. We encourage constituents to speak with Police if seen in their local community.

This document does not provide a comprehensive statistical breakdown of numbers of crimes reported as this does not provide any context for the reader. Neither does it aim to document every crime recorded in your community council area. Crime statistics are published quarterly on the Police Scotland website and can be found at

<https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/our-performance/>

All recipients of this update must be aware that we cannot discuss, specific crimes or incidents where identification of an individual person could occur, or where the information would compromise an ongoing enquiry.

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CRIMES OF NOTE & CRIME PREVENTION ADVICE

Crime levels in your community council area remain low however in the past month there have been two instances of metal thefts and one theft by house breaking.

It is asked that constituents are reminded of the importance of home and property security and it is urged that any suspicious behaviour is reported to Police.

Home security

As it is getting darker earlier with each passing day it is asked that constituents are reminded of the importance of maintaining home and vehicle security. Crime prevention advice can be found on Police Scotland's webpage via the links below.

<https://www.scotland.police.uk/advice-and-information/your-home/your-house/>

<https://www.scotland.police.uk/advice-and-information/your-home/your-garden/>

Our officers would like to also highlight the importance of vehicle security. Some important advice is

- Remove valuables from cars.
- Take time to ensure your car is locked.
- If you have keyless entry/start consider key security within your home or purchase a faraday pouch to help prevent theft.

We would also like to highlight the importance of keeping keyless entry vehicle keys secure in a faraday pouch to prevent the chance of relay vehicle theft.

Pedal Cycles

If any community group would be interested in organising a bike event for person's bikes to be securely marked free of charge please highlight this to the chair who will contact Giffnock community policing.

Fraud

Instances of Fraud continue to be frequent both nationally and locally. Frequently victims, of all ages, can be scammed when they receive unexpected text or telephone messages and respond to these. Crime prevention messages are regularly provided via our social media accounts and further advice is available at -

<https://www.scotland.police.uk/advice-and-information/scams-and-frauds/>

We encourage everyone to discuss this crime prevention message with anyone they know who may not have access to the information or who may be more vulnerable.

Further information regarding developing crime trends can be found by logging on to the Police Scotland website and social media accounts of Police Scotland, Trading Standards and East Renfrewshire Council.

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It is also asked that any constituents with community groups with elderly or vulnerable persons who would benefit from a fraud prevention advice presentation from Police to raise this to the chair who will contact Giffnock community policing.

Additional information can also be found on the link below.

<https://www.sbrcentre.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/Little-Book-of-Big-Scams-Scottish-Business-Resilience-Centre.pdf>

Bogus works

Throughout East Renfrewshire there has been an increase in reports of bogus workers and door to door sales occurring. We are asking constituents to be vigilant when choosing a tradesperson to carry out works and to not accept the pressure sale or scare tactics used by these individuals.

Trusted traders vetted by East Renfrewshire Council can be found on the link below.

<https://www.renfrewshire.gov.uk/trustedtraders>

If you have any additional concerns please highlight them to either trading standards or Police Scotland who will advise appropriately.

LOCAL ISSUES & PARTNERSHIP WORKING

Your community police officers have been working with East Renfrewshire trading standards to best tackle crimes against vulnerable people and door step crime. Giffnock community police will also soon be delivering fraud prevention advice in the form of presentations to vulnerable and elderly residents in East Renfrewshire.

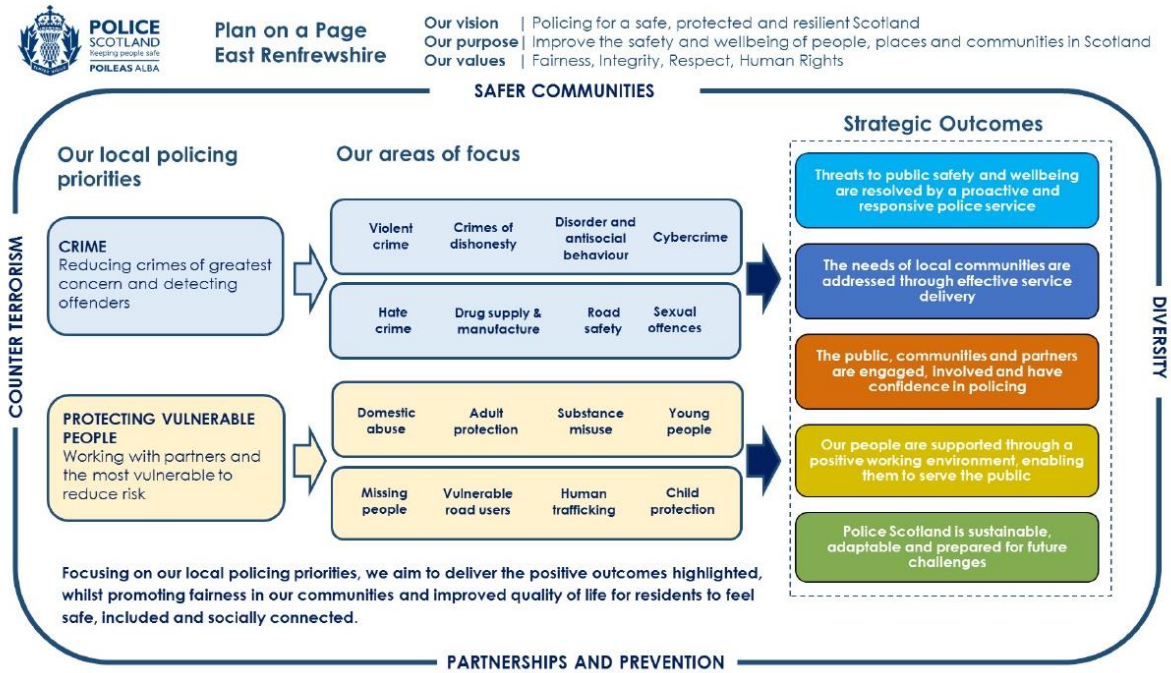
Our community policing team is aware that youth disorder is of a high priority to the public, during the listed period, we have received no reports of public nuisance by youths in the Crookfur & Westacres Community Council area. Due to schools returning within East Renfrewshire we expect the level of youth disorder to remain at a low level.

Our officers continue to address concerns regarding road safety and driver behaviour and you may have seen various recent social media posts highlighting our ongoing work in this respect, supported by our Roads Policing Unit and other partners.

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LOCAL PRIORITIES

The graphic below summarises the Local Police Plan for East Renfrewshire 2020-23 and highlights the areas on which we are focussing our resources and efforts.



Please remember you can report information to us using any of the following

999 – Emergency

101 – Non emergency

Visit <https://www.scotland.police.uk/contact-us/>

0800 555 111 - Crimestoppers

Please follow us on these social media platforms

Twitter - @policescotland

Twitter - @GreaterGlasgPol

Twitter - @EastRenPolice

Facebook – Police Scotland

Facebook – Greater Glasgow Police Division

Web – www.scotland.police.uk