

Community Council Report

This report covers progress we have made in dealing with your priorities for the Banff and District Community Council area during the period 01 August 2018 to 30 September 2018.

The report aims to highlight emerging issues in your area, and to provide crime prevention advice and guidance to Community Council members and residents you represent. Our focus is to reduce crime and disorder, help create safer communities and respond effectively to local concerns.

Community Policing Priorities

Antisocial behaviour, Violence and Disorder:

There have been 14 assaults during this reporting period. Reports have been submitted to the Procurator Fiscal in relation to ten of these cases, and enquiries are ongoing in relation to the remaining four. These assaults have primarily occurred in the Banff and MacDuff area.

Acquisitive Crime:

There have been 7 Thefts in the Banff CPT area. One related to a Theft by Housebreaking in MacDuff where four males have been reported to the PF. Property has been recovered and a further male is to be reported regarding having received stolen property. A further 45 year old male has been reported to the PF in relation to shoplifting in Banff. Enquiries are ongoing in relation to the remaining incidents.

Road Safety & road crime:

Banff CPT continues to target anti-social driving within Banff and the surrounding towns. Four males have been reported to the PF in relation to careless driving in both Banff and MacDuff.

A 43 year old male has been reported regarding driving whilst under the influence of alcohol in Aberchirder. In Portsoy, a 27 year old male was reported regarding the theft of a motor vehicle and numerous other Road Traffic Offences.

Seven further people have been variously charged and reported in relation to use of mobile phone while driving; no seatbelt; construction and use offences; driving with no licence; no insurance and no MOT. A careless cycling offence committed in Banff by a 34 year old male has also been reported.

Consistent attention continues to be given to St Mary's car park but we are aware that there continue to be issues. It remains a priority to disrupt the anti-social activity in that area and to enforce legislation where ever possible.

Community Engagement & Reassurance



Police Scotland's North East Division covers rural and urban areas in Moray, Aberdeenshire and Aberdeen City.

Within the Division the community policing teams are supported by dedicated Crime Reduction Officers who assist them in their work to promote crime reduction and progress prevention opportunities which we see as key to reducing crime and antisocial behaviour in your area.

Whilst crime reduction advice is regularly provided to individuals who raise a specific query, an exciting new innovation called **Neighbourhood Alert** now affords Police Scotland the opportunity to send e-mail messages relating to local crime trends and containing crime prevention advice quickly and effectively to a wide audience, but which can be targeted to particular streets or communities if required.

Any individual can sign-up to receive these e-mail messages, either for themselves or their community group, and the sign-up process allows the recipient to specify the type of information that they are interested in and from what source. Neighbourhood Watch Scotland, who coordinate this resource, work with a range of partners in the public sector to provide information not only on crime but also on matters of community safety and resilience.

These messages are intended to inform the public and to keep them abreast of information which will assist them in keeping themselves, their families and their properties safe. For this reason, we will only send out messages if we feel it is important that the public receive the information and are then able to use it effectively in their daily lives.

Please take the opportunity to sign-up for **Neighbourhood Alert** e-mail messages and encourage your family, friends and neighbours to do the same. Whilst the number of subscribers is constantly growing, the more people who sign-up to receive these alerts, which we always try to send timeously, the more effective these messages will become as they allow communities to become better informed and make better decisions.

There is no requirement to join or set up a Neighbourhood Watch, simply follow the link below to the registration instructions. By signing up you control

your personal information, contact details and also decide what information providers who want to receive Alerts from.

<https://member-registration.neighbourhoodalert.co.uk/91/Join>

Contact Us

Please also remember you can communicate with us using any of the following:

-  101 – Non emergency;
-  Email - BanffDistrictCPT@Scotland.pnn.police.uk
-  Twitter - @NorthEPolice
-  Facebook – www.facebook.com/NorthEastPoliceDivision
-  Web – www.scotland.police.uk
-  999 – Emergency;
-  0800 555 111 - Crimestoppers;

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Banff and Buchan West Community Policing Team

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