

Police Service of Scotland Community Council Report



Community Council:

Forth and Endrick, Killearn Community Council

Reporting Period:

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Ward Plan Priorities

Antisocial Behaviour

On 10/07/2016, a sheep worrying incident occurred at a farm in Killearn, resulting in the death of one lamb. Enquiry has failed to establish the identity of the dog or owner.

On 17/06/2016, police received complaints about a noisy party at a farm on the B818 near to Killearn. Police attended and suitable advice was given.

On 08/08/2016, an incident occurred on Main Street, Killearn, which resulted in one male being charged with a Breach of the Peace offence. He is the subject of a report to the Children's Reporter.

Theft

Between 07/07/2016 and 08/07/2016, a commercial property on the A81 at Killearn was broken into. No items were stolen from within. Enquiry has failed to identify the person(s) responsible. However, if anybody has any relevant information, they are urged to contact CrimeStoppers or Police Scotland.

On 05/09/2016, two bottles of Whiskey were stolen from Glengoyne Distillery. Police enquiry identified the male responsible and he was subsequently traced and charged with the offence, appearing at court shortly thereafter.

Several members of the public contacted police to report suspicious activity locally. Each incident was investigated. Such reports are always welcomed and encouraged, and the information gleaned from them can be invaluable to police enquires and investigations.

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Road Safety

On 15/07/2016, a male was issued with a Conditional Offer of Fixed Penalty for Careless Driving on the A875, Killearn following a collision.

On 16/08/2016, a male was issued with a Conditional Offer of Fixed Penalty for Careless Driving on Lampson Road, Killearn following a collision.

On 18/07/2016, a one vehicle road traffic collision occurred on the A809 near to Killearn. The rider of the motorcycle involved was charged with Dangerous Driving as a result of this collision.

On 18/06/2016, a complaint was received from a local resident about farm vehicle using Main Street, Killearn. Police attended and confirmed that no criminality had taken place.

On 19/07/2016, a male was issued with a Conditional Offer of Fixed Penalty for Careless Driving on Main Street Killearn.

On 20/06/2016, police were contacted by a member of the public about the driving manner of a vehicle travelling through Killearn. The vehicle was stopped by police a short time later and the driver subsequently arrested for driving whilst unfit through alcohol or drugs.

On 24/07/2016, a one vehicle road traffic collision occurred on the A875, Killearn. Damage was caused to a fence. The driver of the vehicle was subsequently charged with various road traffic offences and is the subject of a report to the Procurator Fiscal.

Several complaints have been received about speeding and inconsiderate/illegal parking in the village. Regular speed checks and hi visibility patrols have been carried out in and around Killearn and enforcement action taken where applicable.

One motorist was recorded travelling at a speed of 53 miles per hour in Station Road, Killearn, and is the subject of a report to the Procurator Fiscal.

Community Engagement and Reassurance

PCs Ray Murphy and Steven Graham are based at Balfron Police Office and can be contacted at the police office, on 101, or at ForthEndrickCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk. Both officers have access to this email address mailbox, and it is recommended that this email address is used by the local community for email contact. **This email address should not be used to report crimes or ongoing incidents. Such incidents should be reported by calling 101 or 999, or to police officers directly.**

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Other Incidents / Activity of note

Devils Pulpit

On 16/07/2016, an adult and four children were unable to get themselves up from the Devils Pulpit. Police Scotland and Lomond Mountain Rescue attended and all five persons were rescued safely.

Vehicle – Beech Drive

Several complaints were received about an apparently abandoned vehicle on Beech Drive, Killearn. Enquiry was conducted and the registered keeper contacted by police. The vehicle has now been removed.

Air Weapons Surrender Scheme

The Air Weapons and Licensing (Scotland) Act 2015 comes fully into effect on 31 December 2016. The new law will require any person who possesses, purchases, uses or acquires an air weapon to have a certificate to hold them legally.

It will be an offence not to have a certificate for these purposes from 31 December 2016, unless you are exempt, but you are now able to apply to Police Scotland for a certificate.

The new Air Weapons and Licensing (Scotland) Act will:

- Clearly define the air weapons which will be subject to licensing
- Broadly follow the principles and practises of existing firearms legislations
- Enable a fit person to obtain a licence to own, possess and shoot an air weapon in a regulated way without compromising public safety
- Ensure appropriate enforcement of the new regime with robust offences and penalties to deal with any person who contravenes the regime

Unwanted air weapons can still be handed into designated police offices. Your local designated police office is Balfron.

Further information can be found at <http://www.scotland.police.uk/whats-happening/airweapons/>

Police Scotland Public Consultation Survey - Your View Counts

The Police Scotland Public Consultation Survey was launched on Thursday, 7th April 2016. In previous years, the survey was paper-based and involved community officers delivering and collating the surveys from members of the local community. This year, the survey has been placed online.

The survey allows local communities to provide feedback to Police Scotland in relation to a variety of topics, including the views of local people and what they feel local policing priorities should be in their communities.

The survey takes about 15 minutes to complete, and everyone is encouraged to participate in it.

The survey and further information can be found at www.scotland.police.uk/yourviewcounts .

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Issues raised

There were complaints about inappropriate parking close to the chicanes in Beech Dr, making access difficult.. As far as we are aware there are no restrictions, but perhaps you could take a look sometime and let us have your views.

**Community
Council
Feedback**

There was discussion about a potentially dangerous situation at the distillery. As this also involves the roads department, a separate email has been sent.