

Police Service of Scotland Community Council Report



Community Council:

Forth and Endrick, Community Council Police Report

Reporting Period:

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Ward Plan Priorities

Community Engagement and Reassurance

It is important to you to have community officers who you know, who are accessible and who address local problems.

PC Matt McCammon PC Laura Newlands are the Ward Officers for the Forth and Endrick area. They are based at Balfron Police Office and can be contacted at the office, on 101, or at ForthEndrickCPT@scotland.police.uk. It is recommended that this email address is used by the local community for email contact however this should not be used to report crimes.

Please remember that we regularly publish useful information and updates on social media, including appeals for information, updates about road closures and crime prevention advice. Our Facebook and Twitter pages can be found at;

www.facebook.com/forthvalleypolicedivision
www.facebook.com/policescotland
www.twitter.com/stirlingpol
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Incidents of note

A call was received in regard to 2 males who had attended a local farm in a vehicle and were acting suspiciously. No crimes were established however an intelligence log was submitted should any similar incidents occur. Please bare this in mind and report any suspicious activity.

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BALFRON	<p>Anti-Social Behaviour</p> <p>- Whilst carrying out enquiries at an address, a female began to act in an abusive manner toward Officers. The female was arrested, charged and conveyed to Custody for her conduct. She was released a short time later and a report submitted to the court.</p> <p>Theft</p> <p>- A report was received of a theft which occurred at a clothing bank. Enquiries are ongoing to identify those responsible.</p> <p>Other</p> <p>- A report was received from a local resident in regard to a male breaching a non-harassment order. Enquiries are ongoing.</p> <p>Incidents of note</p> <p>A member of the public attended at Balfron Police Station seeking advice having received a phone call claiming there had been fraudulent activity on her bank account. The reporter did not disclose any personal information before terminating the call and contacting her bank. It was confirmed no fraudulent activity had occurred however the call could have been an attempt to gain personal information. Safety advice and documentation on Scams were provided to the reporter.</p> <p>Please ensure you never share any personal information over the telephone / online.</p>
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BUCHLYVIE	<p>Assault</p> <p>A report was received from a local resident in regard to an assault which had occurred. The assault resulted in a slight injury to the victim. The suspect is known to Police and while efforts were made to trace the suspect in order for them to be</p>
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cautioned and charged, those attempts proved unsuccessful. As a result, the suspect has been reported to the Court.

Fraud

- A report was received of a fraud whereby a local resident placed an order to purchase a toy online for an agreed price. Thereafter the victims bank account was debited on a further 6 occasions with a 4 figure sum of money taken. The victim made her bank aware and cancelled her debit card. At present her bank have yet to refund the money. Enquiries are ongoing to identify those responsible.

- A report was received of an attempted fraud whereby the victim was contacted by someone purporting to work for Sky and claiming he could reduce her monthly mobile phone payment. During the call the scammer was able to confirm with the victim her bill payment information and was taken through security questions. Thereafter, the scammer informed the victim her account had been hacked and she required to change her password, which she did over the phone with the scammer. Later that day the victim received multiple emails from "Sky" regarding her password and confirming the date her new phone would be delivered. The victim contacted Sky and was informed she had been subject to a scam and should not accept delivery of the new mobile phone. The victim was informed she would likely receive a further call from the scammer telling her a phone had been sent to her home address in error and they would arrange for DPD to attend and uplift the phone. The scammers would then have possession of the mobile phone. This phone call did take place as did DPD attending at the home address however the victim sent them away and informed the scammer that the phone had been sent back. The victim made her bank aware of the scam at which time her debit card was cancelled. Enquiries are ongoing to identify those responsible.

Incidents of note

A vehicle left the road, B835, striking a tree in the process before coming to rest within a field. Fortunately, no injuries were reported, and the vehicle was recovered.

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	<p>A number of vehicles were observed by a member of the public near to Flanders Moss with persons within acting in a suspicious manner. Police attended however were unable to trace the vehicles in question. Please bare this in mind and report any suspicious activity.</p>
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CROFTAMIE	<p>Road Traffic</p> <p>Having received information and following proactive patrols by Officers in the area, a male was traced while driving under the influence of alcohol. The male was arrested, conveyed to Custody and cautioned and charged. The male was released once sober and informed a report would be submitted to the Court.</p> <p>Incidents of note</p> <p>A report was received after two vehicles collided on the A81. Both vehicles were damaged and while the driver of one of the vehicles was initially trapped there were fortunately no injuries reported.</p>
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DRYMEN	<p>Incident of note</p> <p>No Incidents of note reported to Police during this reporting period.</p>
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FINTRY	<p>Anti-Social Behaviour</p> <p>A report was received from a resident of a male acting in an abusive manner. Enquiries are ongoing.</p> <p>Road Traffic</p> <p>Enquiries were carried out to trace the driver of a silver MG which collided with another vehicle which had been within a car park. The collision caused damage to both vehicles. The driver</p>
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	<p>of the silver MG left the scene without exchanging details or reporting the matter. The driver of the silver MG was not identified and at this time the incident remains undetected.</p> <p>Theft</p> <p>A report was received of a theft of a quad bike which was removed from within a hay shed. It is unknown how the quad bike was removed as the owner was in possession of the key. Enquiries are ongoing to identify those responsible.</p> <p>Incidents of note</p> <p>No Incidents of note reported to Police during this reporting period.</p>
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GARGUNNOCK	<p>Road Traffic</p> <p>There have been a number of reports of speeding within the village. Officers are aware and will be carrying out speed checks over the coming weeks.</p> <p>Incidents of note</p> <p>A report was received following a 2-vehicle collision on the B8075 at the junction with the A811. Both vehicles were damaged however no injuries reported.</p>
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KILLEARN	<p>Road Traffic</p> <p>Enquiries are ongoing to trace the driver of a red Renault which collided with another vehicle, causing damage to both vehicles, and left the scene without exchanging details or reporting the matter.</p> <p>Incidents of note</p>
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KIPPEN	<p>Anti-Social Behaviour</p> <p>A report was received from a resident of a male acting in an abusive manner. The male was traced, arrested and interviewed under caution. He was subsequently released without charge.</p> <p>Incidents of note</p> <p>- A report was received of a male chapping doors selling household products in the area. Police attended, carried out a search of the area however were unable trace the male. There were similar reports from surrounding villages and of note a male was traced, arrested and charged in the Doune area for failing to hold a suitable licence for doorstep sales.</p> <p>Please remain vigilant and if unsure report any suspicious activity.</p> <p>- A report was received following a Facebook account being hacked. The reporter was not extorted of any money / no threats were made and the reporter reported the incident to both Facebook and Police for awareness.</p> <p>Please remain vigilant and ensure your usernames / passwords are kept safe.</p>
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STRATHBLANE	<p>Hate Crime</p> <p>Enquires are ongoing to identify the suspect who sent via post a letter containing anti-Jewish, pro neo-Nazi and anti-Semitic comments.</p> <p>Wildlife</p>
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	<p>Enquiries are ongoing to identify 2 males who were reported to be poaching within Mugdock Country Park.</p> <p>Other</p> <p>A report was received from a member of the public who had been bitten by a dog while out running. This resulted in the victim requiring medical attention. The dog owner did provide her details to the injured party and enquiries are ongoing.</p> <p>Incidents of note</p> <p>A report was received of a collision near to Mugdock Country Park. A vehicle left the road coming to rest within a ditch. A male was taken to hospital to be treated for minor injuries.</p> <p>Several reports have been reported in regard to fly-tipping within Mugdock Country Park. Enquiries are ongoing.</p> <p>A report was received following a bank account being opened in the reporter's name which they had not requested. The reporter was alerted to this when he received a debit card in the post. The reporter contacted his bank, the account was closed, the reporter suffered no financial lose and their credit score was not adversely affected. Please ensure you keep your personal information safe.</p>
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