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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.

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No crimes or Incidents of note

BALFRON
Fraud

A resident has been defrauded out of a large sum of money after making contact with what they believed to be an online investment company. The suspect was able to gain the victims

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	<p>trust and over the course of several months was able to convince the victim to transfer their investments to illicit offshore accounts. Enquiry is still ongoing to trace those responsible.</p> <p>Another resident has been a victim of fraud after they were contacted by telephone from someone purporting to be from their bank. The suspect advised them there had been suspicious activity on their account and to tell them the 4 digit security code they received to their phone. Unfortunately, two fraudulent withdrawals were made before the victim realised it was a scam. Enquiries are ongoing.</p> <p>Anti-social behaviour</p> <p>Enquiries are ongoing to identify a suspect after a resident received a threatening phone call from an unknown number.</p> <p>A person was arrested, charged and held for custody for threatening and abusive behaviour and thereafter resisting arrest.</p>
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BUCHLYVIE	<p>Vandalism</p> <p>3 Flagstones have been damaged from a circular drystone structure within the community garden of Buchlyvie Primary School. Unfortunately, there are no further line of enquiry and this remains undetected.</p> <p>Theft from Vehicle</p> <p>A bicycle has been stolen from a Motor vehicle's roof rack within the village. Unfortunately, there are no further lines of enquiry and this remains undetected.</p>
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CROFTAMIE	<p>Theft</p> <p>A theft has been recorded after unknown suspect(s) stole a garden trolley from driveway at the locus whilst left unattended.</p>
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	<p>There are no further lines of enquiry and this remains undetected.</p> <p>Road Traffic</p> <p>A report was received from a resident regarding ongoing issues with vehicles driving at speed through Croftamie.</p> <p>Whilst carrying out patrols in the village a driver was stopped and issued with a fixed penalty ticket for driving a vehicle without a valid MOT certificate.</p>
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DRYMEN	<p>Incidents of note</p> <p>A driver was issued with a recorded police warning after intentionally opening their car door striking another person and driving off.</p> <p>There was a report of numerous cars parked on the clearway and causing obstructions at Balmaha and on the road between Rowerdennan and Balmaha. Road closures were put in place to alleviate the congestion and to discourage others from parking on the roadway.</p> <p>Police were contacted regarding a male who had gone into cardiac arrest at the foot of the Conic hill. With help from national park rangers, ambulance service and Lomond Mountain rescue team the male was resuscitated and brought down from the hill on a stretcher and taken to hospital. The latest update was the casualty remained in a stable condition.</p> <p>and a male and his son who had climbed Ben Lomond but found themselves in difficulty on the descent due to poor visibility. With thanks to Lomond Mountain rescue team and members of the public the pair were helped off the hill without issue.</p>
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FINTRY	<p>Anti-Social Behaviour</p> <p>A report has been received regarding the conduct of persons towards other residents in the village. Enquires are ongoing</p>
GARGUNNOCK	<p>Poaching</p> <p>Enquiries are ongoing after a local farmer observed a white Van and pickup driving through his field, he also observed an unknown male within his field and a greyhound type dog chasing a hare. Upon seeing the farmer the male, along with the dog and vehicle left the area.</p>
KILLEARN	<p>Theft</p> <p>Enquiries are ongoing after a Theft by Shoplifting occurred when an expensive bottle of whisky was stolen from the gift shop at Glengoyne Distillery.</p> <p>A theft was recorded after a fruit machine within Campsie Glen Holiday Park was stolen. Unfortunately, there are no further lines of enquiry.</p> <p>Fraud</p> <p>Two fraud crimes were recorded during the period. One related to direct debits that had been set up without the knowledge of the account holder to transfer monies to another account and the other was in relation to an unknown suspect pretending to be calling from the complainer's bank and convincing the complainer to authorise transactions. Enquires are ongoing for both crimes.</p> <p>Incident of Note</p> <p>Police along with other emergency services, were called to Finnich Glen after reports of a male entering the water and failing to resurface were received. Unfortunately, a body was recovered from the water and pronounced dead at the scene. We would like to thank Lomond Mountain rescue, Scottish Fire and Rescue</p>

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	<p>service and Scottish ambulance Service for their efforts. The family have been informed.</p> <p>There were several other calls to Finnich Glen throughout the period ranging from issues due to cars parking along the road to safety fears for members of the public and this area remains a concern.</p>
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KIPPEN	<p>Fraud</p> <p>A resident has been defrauded of a sum of money after the vehicle that they believed they were purchasing from Facebook Marketplace failed to be delivered despite deposits being paid. Enquires in relation to this are ongoing.</p>
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STRATHBLANE	<p>Road Traffic</p> <p>A theft of a motor vehicle has been recorded following the attempted theft of an all-terrain vehicle and a device for spreading animal feed from a farm by unknown persons. Fortunately, the suspect was unable to start the vehicle and left the scene. Enquires are ongoing.</p> <p>A male was issued with a fixed penalty notice for using a handheld mobile phone device whilst driving along the A809.</p> <p>Theft</p> <p>Two quad bikes were stolen from a farm within the Blanefield area. One was recovered by police and the other remains outstanding. Extensive enquiries in relation to this and other quad bike thefts is ongoing.</p> <p>A report was made regarding poachers regularly attending and fishing at Carbeth Loch. The local wildlife crime officer has been made aware.</p>
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	<p>Vandalism</p> <p>Enquiries are ongoing in relation to two vandalisms, both of which occurred within Mugdock Country Park.</p> <p>The first was recorded when a wall was damaged by the removal of stones along a three-metre section affording a vehicle a means of exiting the locked car park and the other involved damage to the perimeter metal fence that is in place to prevent people accessing the water-filled quarry. <i>(both still live and undetected but all relevant lines of enquiry complete and likely suitable for closure)</i></p> <p>Fraud</p> <p>A resident was the victim of a fraud where money was taken from her bank account after an unknown person contacted her via telephone then sent an approval request through the victim's banking app. Unfortunately, there are no further lines of enquiry and this remains undetected.</p>
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