



## MARCH 2023 Howe of Fife & Taycoast Community Council Report

### Introduction

Welcome to February's Howe of Fife Community Council Report from your local officers, PC Mark Lowe and PC Kirstie Haddow.

### YOUR COMMUNITY NEEDS YOU!

We continue to appeal for members of the community to participate in the Community Speed Watch Campaign.

We would like to thank the volunteers that have already come forward and would like to encourage anyone else interested to make contact with us.

Community Speed Watch involves local resident volunteers being deployed on our roads with speed detection devices to provide a visible presence to deter and identify speeding motorists in hot spot areas.

If you require any further information with regards to this campaign, or would like to be considered as a volunteer then please contact us at the e-mail address listed below.

Email – [HoweOfFifeTaycoastCPT@Scotland.pnn.police.uk](mailto:HoweOfFifeTaycoastCPT@Scotland.pnn.police.uk)



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### Calls Received (up to end of March 2023)

Since 1st March 2023, Police have received 206 calls in the Howe of Fife and Taycoast area resulting in 26 crimes being recorded. This breaks down as follows:

#### Auchtermuchty

**36 calls to the police** consisting of Assist Members of the Public, Disorder, Crimes of Dishonesty, Concern for Persons, Missing Persons and Road Traffic Matters

#### **2 recorded crimes –**

1 x Crime of Disorder

1 x Crime of Dishonesty

#### Strathmiglo

**9 calls to the police** consisting of Assist Members of the Public, Road Traffic Matter, Concern for persons, Anti-Social Behaviour and Crime of Dishonesty

#### **1 x recorded crimes -**

1 x Crime of dishonesty

#### Gateside

**4 calls to the police** consisting of Assist Members of the Public and Road Traffic Matter

#### **0 recorded crime**

#### Ladybank

**20 calls to the police** consisting of Road Traffic Matters, Assist Members of the Public, crimes of disorder, crimes of dishonesty and Concern for Persons.

#### **2 recorded crime –**

1 x Miscellaneous Crime

1 x Crime of Dishonesty

#### Giffordtown (Giffordtown, Edentown, Charlottetown, Kinloch)

**2 calls to the police** consisting of road traffic matter and assist member of the public

#### **0 x Recorded Crime**

#### Dunshalt

**3 calls to the police** consisting of Assist Member of Public, Road Traffic Matter and Crime of Dishonesty

#### **1 crime recorded –**

1 x Crime of Dishonesty

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### Falkland & Newton of Falkland

**15 calls to the police** consisting of crimes of Disorder, Assist members of the public, Wildlife Crime, Missing Person, Vandalism, Road Traffic Matter and Crime of Dishonesty

**3 recorded crimes –**

1 x Crime of Dishonesty

1 x Vandalism

1 x Wildlife Crime

### Freuchie

**19 calls to the police** consisting of Road Traffic Matters, Concern for Persons, Assist Members of the Public, crimes of disorder, Crimes of dishonesty, Road Traffic Offence

**8 recorded crimes -**

3 x Crimes of Dishonesty

2 x Crimes of Disorder

3 x Road Traffic Offence

### Kettle (Kettlebridge, Kingskettle)

**7 calls to the police** consisting of Assist Members of the Public, Crimes of dishonesty, Road Traffic Matter

**2 recorded crimes –**

2 x Crimes of Dishonesty

### Newburgh

**39 calls to the police** consisting of Assist Members of the Public, Road Traffic Matters, Crimes of disorder, Crimes of dishonesty

**5 x recorded crimes -**

4 x Crimes of Dishonesty

1 x Crimes of Disorder

### Monimail (Bow of Fife, Collessie, Monimail, Letham)

**6 calls to the police** consisting of Assist Members of the Public and Road Traffic Matters

**0 x recorded crimes**

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**Creich & Flisk** (Creich, Brunton, Luthrie)

**4 calls to the police** consisting of Road Traffic Matters and Assist Member of Public

**0 x recorded crimes**

**Abdie & Dunbog** (Abdie, Dunbog, Lindores, Grange of Lindores, Den of Lindores)

**8 call to the police** consisting of Road Traffic Matter and Assist Member of Public

**1 x recorded crime –**

1 x Road Traffic Offence

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### Recent Events

Following our continued campaign to recruit Community Speed Watch volunteers, we have been successful in gaining 7 willing volunteers who have begun the training process and will soon be deployed into the local community.

We see this campaign as being a great asset to Police Scotland in deterring speeding motorists which is a community priority.

### Vehicle Security Advice

Police Scotland would like to offer preventative advice in relation to the increase in UK wide keyless vehicle thefts.

Relay theft vehicles fitted with a smart or passive key are susceptible to relay theft. This key system allows you to gain entry and start your vehicle without the need to interact with your vehicle's key. Criminals use specialist equipment that has the ability to grab the signal from your car to the smart key so that it appears to the car that the key is present.

Your vehicle is most vulnerable overnight, particularly if parked on your driveway or directly outside your home. How to prevent this:

When not in use – either at home or when out and about – store your keys (including spare keys) in a security pouch. Security pouches are sometimes termed Faraday bags or signal blockers/shields and there are many security rated versions on the market. These will prevent the signal from your vehicle being captured using electronic devices.

Keep updated with latest software: many manufacturers are updating there in-car security systems to stay ahead of these attacks.

### Contact Details

Your local community officers are PC 442 Mark Lowe and PC 189 Kirstie Haddow. Below is the local contact email address for your local community team.

This is not for reporting a crime but if you feel you require to contact your local community officer then the email address is the best way to do so.

Email – [HoweOfFifeTaycoastCPT@Scotland.police.uk](mailto:HoweOfFifeTaycoastCPT@Scotland.police.uk)

If you do not have access to the internet then you can call 101 and the call handler can send an email on your behalf.

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