



July 2021 Howe of Fife & Taycoast Community Council Report

Contact Information

Welcome to the Howe of Fife monthly report from your local community officers 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.pnn.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.

Cupar Police Station enquiry office is open during weekday office hours. Social distancing measures are in place at the station for members of the public who do attend.

Local Initiatives

For the year 2021-2022 the new priorities for North East Fife area should focus upon;

- Driver Behaviour
- Anti-Social Behaviour
- Crimes of Dishonesty

You should have complete comfort & reassurance that the above priorities are not to the exclusion of the Divisional priorities as outlined by the Chief Superintendent, but the priorities above focus greater on the nuances specific to North East Fife as a whole.

Community Speedwatch

The Speedwatch initiative has been on hold due to Covid-19.

As yet we do not have a date when this can be restarted but we are aware that many communities are keen to get going again with new communities expressing an interest. As soon as we can recommence training we will be in touch.

Summer Action Plan

Throughout the summer months along with the rest of our North East Fife community colleagues we have been carrying out extra patrols in the Local Area Hot Spots which have been identified by local call volume and information from yourselves and from local residents. These patrols include anti-social behaviour where we link in with our colleagues from Community Safety and road traffic deployments.

Community Engagement

As a whole the area has various ongoing problems which we are aware of such as speeding, youth disorder and parking issues at local places of interest/tourist spots.

We continue to cover as much ground as possible and try to contain any problems with the assistance of our partner agencies before they occur. We would ask that local residents please be mindful of their speed through the villages and towns which are in the main 20mph.

We have carried out a number of Speed check points, which has had a positive effect and a number of fixed penalty tickets have been issued, verbal warnings issued to drivers and reports submitted to the Procurator Fiscal. We continue to deploy Pop up Bob in the area as an additional temporary traffic calming measure.

Youth disorder related calls to the police have slightly increased which is likely due to the school summer holidays, better weather and light nights. As part of the Summer Action plan these areas are visited and joint initiatives carried out when required.

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Calls Received (up to end of July 2021)

Since 1st July 2021, Police have received 200 calls in the Howe of Fife and Taycoast area resulting in crimes being recorded. This breaks down as follows:

Auchtermuchty (Auchtermuchty)

19 calls to the police consisting of Road Traffic Incidents, Concern for Person, and assist members of the public.

2 recorded crimes. 1 Road Traffic Offence, 1 Threatening and abusive behaviour.

Strathmiglo

11 calls to the police consisting of Concern for Person, Threatening and Abusive Behaviour, assist members of the public.

1 recorded crime for Threatening and abusive behaviour

Gateside

8 calls to the police consisting of Road Traffic Incidents, Assist member of the public.

1 recorded crime for Road Traffic Offence

We are aware of the continuing parking issues at Dryside and as such, there have been visible patrols in the area with a number of vehicles having leaflets attached to highlight awareness to the drivers.

LadyBank

34 calls to the police including Road Traffic Incidents, Domestic Incidents, assist member of the public, neighbour disputes, Person and Youth Disorder.

0 recorded crime.

Giffordtown (Giffordtown, Edentown, Charlottetown)

1 call to the police reporting a lost dog.

0 crime recorded

Dunshalt

1 calls to the police which was to assist a member of the public.

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0 recorded crimes.

Falkland & Newton of Falkland

21 calls to the police consisting of Thefts, assist member of the public, disturbance related calls

2 recorded crimes both for theft

Freuchie

17 calls to the police consisting of Road Traffic Incidents, assist members of the public, assault, Animal Bite

3 recorded crimes for Road Traffic Offence, Assault and Animal Bite

Kettle (Kettlebridge, Kingskettle)

16 calls to the police consisting of Breach of Bail, assist members of the public, concern for person

1 recorded crimes for Breach of Bail.

Newburgh

62 calls to the police consisting of Assist members of the public, Domestic Incidents, Substance Misuse, Road Traffic Incidents, Concern for Persons. Sexual Offence

4 recorded crimes. 1 Theft, 1 Fraud, 1 Sexual Offence and 1 Threatening and abusive behaviour

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

7 calls to the police consisting of assist member of the public, road traffic incidents, Fire Incident

1 recorded crime for a Road Traffic Offence

Creich & Flisk (Creich, Brunton, Luthrie)

4 calls to the police consisting of assist members of the public, road traffic incidents

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0 recorded crimes

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

4 calls to the police consisting of assist members of the public, wildlife incident

0 recorded crime

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Last Note...

As the final phases of restrictions are lifting we are seeing more and more people visit our wonderful community and we are seeing increasing traffic volume on our roads with more people visiting sites such as the Lomond Hills and John Knox's pulpit. We are responding to these increasing demands by regular patrols and carrying out speed deployments across the area.

This last month has seen us face many challenges due to major incidents occurring outside our area which we have assisted with along with calls such as a hillwalker suffering an injury in the Lomond Hills where we worked alongside Mountain Rescue and the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service to bring them to safety.

Due to these abstractions we may not be able to respond to emails to our Community mailbox as quickly as we would like so I would ask you to bear with us and should you have any issues arising within the community that you think we can assist with, please do not hesitate to contact us.

As some of your community council meetings are now opening in person, we will try and attend, however if you would like the police to attend for a specific reason then please do get in touch and either your local officers will attend or myself and I look forward to meeting with you soon.

Take care and stay safe.

Helen Manuel

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