

December 2023 Howe of Fife & Taycoast Community Council Report

Introduction

Welcome to November'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.

Although CSW is postponed during the winter months it's the perfect time to apply as the vetting process can take some time. Applying now will mean you are in a perfect position to start when this recommences in March 2024.

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.police.uk



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ROAD SAFETY – FESTIVE CHRISTMAS CAMPAIGN

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Throughout December, PC's Lowe and Haddow, along with other Community Officers have taken to the roads in North East Fife, to reinforce the message that 'the best approach is none.' Reminding motorists that even if you are slightly over the limit, in the eyes of the law you are a drunk-driver and a criminal.

As a result, a number of drivers have been stopped for driving vehicles with defective lighting, those not driving to the road/ weather conditions, and driving over the speed limit. This has resulted in a number of persons being issued with a warning or police direct measures, drivers were also breathalysed where all motorists stopped during our joint patrols were found to be under the drink drive limit.

COFFEE WITH A COP

North East Fife Community Policing Teams run "Coffee With A Cop" events all over the area in Café's, Community Centres and other venues.

These events are designed for Police to meet formally, yet informally with members of the local community to listen to their concerns, provide information on property security and frauds, discuss duties as an Officer and develop relationships within the Community.

The dates for next year are still to be confirmed. We are looking to organise further events at different locations in the coming months. If you have a specific location and venue please contact us.



WINTER ROAD SAFETY

Winter car preparation is crucial for staying safe in cold weather emergencies on the road. As the wintery weather closes in, battling the elements of rain, wind, and snow, here are a few essential items to keep in your car over the winter months:



Cold Callers at your door?



Signs or stickers tell people that cold calling is not wanted at the property, to get hold of one of these, please contact us.

If you are unsure about the person on your doorstep, tell them you are calling a neighbour or friend to come over and be with you. A genuine caller will not mind waiting a few minutes for you to feel safe.

Don't buy goods or services at the door. Say no if someone offers to fix your roof or driveway for cash. Ask yourself if you need work carried out, discuss

with family and friends and always obtain three quotes before deciding which trader to use.

Don't ever feel pressurised into making a decision. Paying cash at the door shows you keep money in the house, and the work may not be worth what you pay for it.

If you are organising or intending to have any village events that you would like to see your Local Community Officers attend, please contact us at the e-mail address

<u>HoweOfFifeTaycoastCPT@Scotland.police.uk</u> to make us aware of upcoming dates in your respective areas and we will do our best to attend as many as possible.

Calls Received (To end of December 2023)

Since 1st December 2023, Police have received 222 calls in the Howe of Fife and Taycoast area resulting in 16 crimes being recorded. This breaks down as follows:

Auchtermuchty

33 calls to the police consisting of Assist Members of the Public, Concern for Persons and Road Traffic Matters

0 recorded crimes

Strathmiglo

18 calls to the police consisting of Assist Members of the Public, Road Traffic Matters, Concern for Persons and Crimes of Dishonesty

1 x recorded crime -

1 x Crimes of dishonesty

Gateside

7 calls to the police consisting of Road Traffic Matters and assist members of the public0 recorded crime

Ladybank

33 calls to the police consisting of Road Traffic Matters, Assist Members of the Public, Crimes of Disorder, Road Traffic Offences and Crimes of Dishonesty

7 recorded crimes –

- 4 x Crimes of Disorder
- 1 x Road Traffic Offences
- 2 x Crimes of Dishonesty

<u>Giffordtown</u> (Giffordtown, Edentown, Charlottetown, Kinloch)

0 calls to the police

0 x Recorded Crimes

Dunshalt

3 calls to the police consisting of Assist Members of the Public and Road Traffic Offences

2 x Recorded Crimes -

1 x Crime of Dishonesty

1 x Animal Crime

Falkland & Newton of Falkland

14 calls to the police consisting of Assist members of the public, Crimes of Dishonesty, Road Traffic Matters, Road Traffic Offence and Concern for Persons.

2 recorded crimes -

- 1 x Crimes of Dishonesty
- 1 x Road Traffic Offence

Freuchie

14 calls to the police consisting of Road Traffic Matters, Concern For Persons and Assist Members of the Public.

0 recorded crime

<u>Kettle</u> (Kettlebridge, Kingskettle)

8 calls to the police consisting of Assist Members of the Public, and Road Traffic Matters.

0 recorded crime

Newburgh

67 calls to the police consisting of Assist Members of the Public, Road Traffic Matters, Road Traffic Offence, Concern for Persons and Crimes of Disorder

3 x recorded crimes -

- 1 x Crimes of Disorder
- 2 x Road Traffic Offence

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

12 calls to the police consisting of Assist Members of the Public, Road Traffic Matters and Concern for Persons

0 recorded crime

Creich & Flisk (Creich, Brunton, Luthrie)

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

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

5 calls to the police consisting of Assist Member of Public and Crimes of Dishonesty

1 Recorded Crime -

1 x crime of dishonesty

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 <u>not for reporting a crime</u> 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

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.

KEEPING PEOPLE SAFE

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