



Community Safety Partnership Report

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Community Safety

Community Safety is about protecting people's rights to live in confidence without fear for their own or other people's safety ensuring that people are safe from crime, disorder and danger and free from injury and harm and communities are socially cohesive and tolerant; are resilient and able to support individuals to take responsibility for their wellbeing

The Community Safety Partnership aims to improve community safety across Moray by identifying and addressing immediate concerns in order to protect the most vulnerable and at risk and be proactive to ensure that communities feel safe.

The CSP comprises of various Moray Council services, Police Scotland, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, NHS Grampian, tsiMORAY and Registered Social Landlords.

WATER SAFETY

With the continuing warm weather it is always tempting to go swimming to cool off. Water may look safe, but it can be dangerous. Learn to spot and keep away from dangers. You may swim well in a warm indoor pool, but that does not mean that you will be able to swim in cold water.

The dangers of water include:

- it is very cold
- there may be hidden currents
- it can be difficult to get out (steep slimy banks)
- it can be deep
- there may be hidden rubbish, e.g. shopping trolleys, broken glass
- there are no lifeguards
- it is difficult to estimate depth
- it may be polluted and may make you ill

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Police Scotland is proud to support Counter Terrorism Policing’s Action Counters Terrorism (ACT Campaign) to encourage the public to help the police tackle terrorism and save lives by reporting suspicious behavior and activity.

Communities defeat terrorism. With the enduring terrorist threat, it is now more important than ever that everyone plays their part in tackling terrorism. Our actions could save lives.

Like other criminals, terrorists need to plan. If you see or hear something unusual or suspicious trust your instincts and ACT by reporting it in confidence at gov.uk/ACT.

If it’s an emergency call 999.

Some examples of suspicious activity or behavior could potentially include:

Research



Meetings, training and planning can take place anywhere. Do you know someone who travels but is vague about where they’re going?



Do you know someone with passports or other documents in different names, for no obvious reason?



Do you know someone who looks at extremist material, including on the so-called Dark Web or shares and creates content that promotes or glorifies terrorism?



Have you noticed someone embracing or actively promoting hateful ideas or an extremist ideology?

Gathering Materials



Suspicious materials can be ordered online as well as in store. Have you noticed someone receiving deliveries for unusual items bought online?



If you work in commercial vehicle hire or sales, has a sale or rental seemed unusual?



Have you noticed someone buying large or unusual quantities of chemicals, fertilisers or gas cylinders for no obvious reason?



Have you noticed someone acquiring illegal firearms or other weapons or showing an interest in obtaining them?

Storing Materials



Terrorists need to store equipment while preparing for an attack. Have you noticed anyone storing large amounts of chemicals, fertilisers or gas cylinders?



Have you noticed anyone storing illegal firearms or objects that could potentially be weapons?

Hostile Reconnaissance



Observation and surveillance help terrorists plan attacks. Have you witnessed anyone taking pictures or notes of security arrangements or CCTV?

Financing



Cheque and credit card fraud are ways of generating cash. Have you noticed any suspicious or unusual bank transactions?

Community Safety and Antisocial Behaviour

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Community Council Area	Abandoned Vehicle	Environmental	Neighbours	Noise	Other	Rowdy Behaviour	Grand Total
Elgin	12	6	6	3		1	28
Forres	4	2	5	4		1	16
Buckie & District	3		1	4	3	1	12
Keith	2	1	2	5	1		11
Lossiemouth	3	1	1	2	1		8
Innes	1		2	3		2	8
Speyside			3		1	1	5
Dufftown & District		1	1	2			4
Findochty	4						4
Cullen & Deskford	1			2			3
Findhorn & Kinloss			1	1	1		3
Portknockie	2						2
Strathisla				1			1
Lossiemouth/Hopeman & Covesea					1		1
Glenlivet			1				1
Burghead & Cummington		1					1
Hopeman & Covesea		1					1
Lennox	1						1
Grand Total	33	13	23	27	8	6	110

*Environmental Issues include Dog Fouling, Littering, Fly Tipping and Graffiti.

**Any Community Council not shown above has a nil return for the month

This month the Community Warden Team have been involved in joint patrols with both the Fire Service and Police. These patrols have focused on the Lossiemouth and Hopeman areas with the aim of deterring any further fire-raising incidents. These will continue throughout the summer holidays.

Other partnership work over the summer will include Schoolwatch Patrols involving both the Wardens and Police.

After Abandoned Vehicles, the next most common complaints received by the Community Safety Team in June have related to Noise and Neighbour Disputes with a number stemming from noise heard due to the nice weather.

Compared to the previous month, complaints relating to Dog Fouling have halved. Enough evidence was available for Wardens to issue a Fixed Penalty Notice in relation to some complaints received in the Elgin area.

Buckie and Keith Area Policing Team

SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME

Buckie

A 42 year old man has been reported for possession of cannabis resin on Barhill Road, Buckie, and a 17 year old girl has been reported for possession of diazepam at St. Andrews Court, Buckie. Additionally, a 16 year old girl will be reported to the youth justice management unit having been found in possession of cocaine.

Keith

A 20 year old man has been reported having been found in possession of cannabis at Drum Road, Keith.

ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, VIOLENCE AND DISORDER

Buckie

Vandalisms have been reported at Burns Square (window smashed and 29 year old male charged); Buckie Children's Home (16 year old to be reported to YJMU); West Church Street (drunk male rolled over the bonnet of a car - enquiries are ongoing to trace the male concerned); Raffan Road (window smashed in a front door - enquiries ongoing); and a window was smashed at Buckie High School (enquiries ongoing).

An 18 year old male has been reported for buying alcohol for underage teenagers at McColl's in St. Andrew's Square, Buckie.

A 37 year old male from the Aberdeen area has been reported for touching female shoppers inappropriately whilst he was in Tesco supermarket in Buckie.

A 10 year old child has been reported to the YJMU team after being found in possession of a pen knife at a play park in Cullen.

A 23 year old male has been reported for being in possession of an offensive weapon and assaulting police at St. Andrew's Court, Buckie.

Keith

A 37 year old man has been charged with assault following an incident at Langstane Lane, Keith, on 3 June. Two vandalisms were also reported at Langstane Lane and enquiries are ongoing regarding.

Two domestic incidents have been reported to the Police with those responsible both being traced and reported to the court.

A 16 year old boy has been reported to the court for a fire raising at Keith Community Railway Station (where some railway sleepers were set alight causing minor damage).

An 18 year old man has been charged with buying alcohol for underage persons at Tesco Superstore, Keith, on 15 June.

Enquiries are ongoing into report of vandalism to a house window that occurred on 17 June at Regent Street, Keith.

A 20 year old man was kept in custody to appear at court on 25 June following reports that he had been brandishing weapons and threatening people on Den Crescent, Keith.

ACQUISITIVE CRIME

Buckie

A garden ornament in the form of a large wooden thistle was stolen from the garden of a house at Tynet. Enquiries are ongoing.

Report has been received of theft of cash from a house on Main Street, Buckie. Enquiries are ongoing.

A 33 year old woman has been reported for a theft by shoplifting that occurred at Tesco in Buckie.

Two people (male and female) appeared from custody at Elgin Sheriff Court on 21 June regarding a break in to the Spar shop in Portgordon and an attempted break in to ISR Auto Repair Garage on Colonsay Place, Buckie. The same people were charged with several other break-ins and road traffic offences in the Elgin and Inverness areas.

Keith

On 13 June, a charity box was stolen from the Spar, Regent Street, Keith - enquiries are ongoing.

ROAD SAFETY

Buckie

A lorry driver has been charged for driving whilst carrying an unsafe load in the Buckie area.

Following report of an abandoned vehicle in Linzee Gordon Park, Buckie, a man has been charged with failing to notify the DVLA of a change of registered keeper and for having no insurance.

Two hit and runs have been reported - the first occurred in Reidhaven Street, Cullen, and a positive line of enquiry is being progressed. The second occurred at Harbour Street, Buckie, and a 48 year old male has been reported.

Keith

Following report of a vehicle causing an obstruction in Newmill, Keith, the driver is to be dealt with for road traffic offences.

A 22 year old man has been reported for driving in Fife Keith with no insurance and whilst a provisional licence holder. His car was seized by Police.

Enquiries are ongoing into an incident of possible careless driving on 16 June where a tractor and trailer collided with parked cars on Regent Street, Keith.

A positive line of enquiry is being followed up in relation to a hit and run that occurred on 15 June at Moss Street, Keith, where a car was damaged.

On 23 June, a dangerous driving incident was reported at Newmill. Enquiries are ongoing to trace the driver responsible.

Forres, Speyside and Glenlivet Area Policing Team

On 1 June, about 12.25 pm, on North Road, Forres, patrolling officers observed a 48 year old local man acting suspiciously, and formed the opinion that he was likely to be in possession of illegal drugs. They detained the man for a search and found a small amount of cannabis resin. A report was submitted to the procurator fiscal. During 7 June, a 48 year old Forres woman, under the influence of alcohol, made several 999 telephone calls to the police. She had no crime or other emergency to report. She had done this on several occasions in the past. She was reported to the procurator fiscal for misuse of the 999 system.

About 3.30pm on 6 June, earrings and a purse were stolen from a shop on Forres high street. After inquiry, a 39 year old female from Forres was charged with the offence. A report has been submitted to the procurator fiscal.

Just after midnight on 10 June, a fire was deliberately set to garden trellis within the front garden of an address on Ferry Road, Forres. The occupier was able to put the fire out, himself, but discovered that another section of trellis in his rear garden had also been set alight. Scottish Fire and Rescue Service personnel attended and put that fire out. Inquiry is ongoing.

About 5.50pm on 14 June, we were made aware of a housebreaking in progress at a cottage in the Darnaway area. An Apple iMac computer and a 40" Panasonic television were stolen. After inquiry, a 42 year old man, of no fixed abode, and a 33 year old female, who was at the time resident in Buckie, were arrested and charged with the crime. They were also charged with other crimes of dishonesty committed across Moray and the Highland and Islands area.

On 15 June, following a road traffic collision in Taylor Court, Aberlour, a 60 year old Dufftown man was found to have been driving whilst the proportion of alcohol in his breath exceeded prescribed limits. He was arrested, charged, and reported to the procurator fiscal.

On 17 June, officers had reason to attend at an address in the Brodie area. Having been permitted access to the address they found a small cannabis cultivation within one of the rooms. A 28 year old local man was arrested and charged with producing a controlled drug.

About 4.30am on 22 June, the occupier of an address in Meikle Crook, Forres was awoken by the sound of banging at the rear of his property. Upon investigating, he found a man standing in his garden. The man made off. On inspecting his property, the occupier discovered that an attempt had been made to break in. On the same night, a house in Grant Place, Forres, was broken into and items stolen. After inquiry, a 35 year old local man was arrested and charged with the crimes.

Between 16 and 21 June, a 76 year old Dufftown resident was scammed out of several hundred pounds, by a male who cold-called her home telephone, claimed to be from the Abbey National and informed her that she was due to receive over £4000 in PPI compensation. The man requested an initial payment of £350 for his services, to be made in the form of Apple iTunes vouchers. The victim purchased the vouchers and a few days later the man called back and had the victim provide him

with the codes for each voucher. After a few days the man called back and asked for a further £250 pounds worth of vouchers. The victim purchased the vouchers and a few days later, provided the codes to the man when he called back. When the man called back a few days after that and requested another £370 worth of vouchers to claim working tax credit, the victim finally realised that she was being scammed, refused to comply, and called police. We would again encourage members of our community to exercise more scepticism in situations like this. Being cold called by an unknown person, promising some form of financial benefit, but only after some form of payment is made, should immediately cause one to be suspicious. When that person then requires payment in some unusual form, like iTunes vouchers, it should confirm that one's suspicions are likely to be correct. If in doubt, do nothing, and either contact us for advice, or call the organisation the person claims to represent in order to check the authenticity of the call.

Lossiemouth, Fochabers, Elgin Area Policing Teams

The Lossiemouth Community Policing Team have successfully conducted a three day operation to combat anti-social driving behaviour in and around the streets of Lossiemouth, Fochabers, Hopeman and Burghead From 27-29 June 2018 the team complimented by Special Constables and colleagues from the roads Policing Team worked together to tackle this problem. The aim was to educate drivers, but where necessary tickets and reports to the procurator fiscal were delivered. The policing team at Lossiemouth are regularly told by member of the public and community council alike that anti-social driving and speeding is a blight on the community and ask us to tackle it. This operation aims to do that. We concentrated our efforts on school routes and particularly selfish parking by parents dropping their children off at school. On the first day of the operation two parking tickets were issued outside a school in Lossiemouth. Perhaps the most worrying case we came across on the first day of action was the detection of a female taking her two children to school and travelling at nearly twice the speed limit through the Hopeman. Needless to say she will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal for consideration of a fine and penalty points. On both these occasions it was local people who clearly are not doing their bit to keep our communities safe.

We continue our investigations into wilful fire raising that has been occurring across the region exacerbated by the fine hot weather we are experiencing just now. We have stepped up our patrols in the affected areas and in the coming weeks we are carrying out joint patrols with the community wardens and our colleagues in Scottish Fire and Rescue. This will help us to identify patterns of offending, deter those who are wilfully setting fires and detect any offences committed. Again we seek the assistance of the local community to help us tackle this crime.

Our new probationer at Lossiemouth Constable Clark enjoyed helping out with Operation "Baywatch" at Lossiemouth beach on Monday 25 June 2018. This local initiative run by primary schools in the area focuses on keeping safe when near the sea. Constable Clark gave an input on personal safety which was well received by the children who attended

The Elgin Community Policing Team have turned their efforts this month to tackling youth annoyance, underage drinking and general anti-social behaviour not only in the town centre but out and about as well. The team are aware of issues in the New Elgin area, particularly near the Linkwood burn and Thornhill Road areas. This weekend will see increased patrols in the area not only to deter such behaviour but to engage with local youths during the early evenings. With this continued fine weather there is no shortage of officers volunteering to go out on foot patrol, rather than being stuck in a patrol car!

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

Back in October 2017 the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service launched the Community Asset Register (CAR).

Essentially this is a register of volunteers who have a particular asset or skill which they feel could be used to support emergency services and responders at an incident.

Examples include someone with a boat who could be called in times of flooding to assist evacuate people from houses to a place of safety. Similarly someone with a 4X4 may be used in times of severe snow to transport vulnerable people to a community hall.

Further information about the CAR can be found on the link below:

[http://www.firescotland.gov.uk/news-campaigns/news/2017/10/sfrs-launches-community-asset-register-\(1\).aspx](http://www.firescotland.gov.uk/news-campaigns/news/2017/10/sfrs-launches-community-asset-register-(1).aspx)

Unfortunately, it is impossible to gauge how often a volunteer will be requested.

Mobilisations can be determined by severe weather, a specific type of asset/skill required for the incident, the emergency services availability and resources in the area and the location of the volunteer.

It must be stressed that even when someone has registered, they are under no obligation to mobilise when they are called by the Operations Control centre.

For anyone to register an interest and request a form they would be required to email:

SFRS.CommunityAssetRegister@firescotland.gov.uk and a registration form will be sent to be completed along with guidelines on how to complete the registration process.

POLICE STATION PUBLIC COUNTER OPENING HOURS

The following Police Stations have Public Counters and are open during the following hours.

BUCKIE	0700-1700	7 DAYS
ELGIN	0700- MIDNIGHT	7 DAYS
FORRES	0915-1715 0915-1445	MONDAY TO THURSDAY FRIDAY
KEITH	0815-1600	MONDAY TO FRIDAY
LOSSIEMOUTH	0900-1700	MONDAY TO FRIDAY
ROTHES	0900-1700	MONDAY TO FRIDAY

NOTE – Stations may close for one hour at 12.30 daily or at short notice.

Telephone: 101 – Non Emergency
999 – Emergency

Website: www.scotland.police.uk
Twitter: @policescotland
Facebook: facebook.com/police Scotland

Should you wish to remain anonymous you can always contact the registered charity Crime stoppers on 0800 555 111

OTHER USEFUL NUMBERS

Moray Council Help Desk: 0300 1234566

Community Safety Team Office: 01343 563134

Online ASB Reporting at www.moray.gov.uk/moray_standard/page_103264.html