

Community Councils Local Policing Report.



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**Speyside Area Forum
Meeting on 24 October 2012**

1. LOCAL INTEREST INFORMATION

Between the end of August and the end of October, there has been a relatively low level of crime. Some reported incidents have, after enquiry proven to be non criminal matters.

Detections include minor assaults, instances of threats (amongst associates) domestic incidents and a vandalism at a hotel premises. Enquiries are ongoing into other vandalisms to public property over the school holiday period. Enquiries are ongoing into a report of damage to the Mortlich primary school roof.

A high value theft of copper wire occurred at an industrial premises in Dufftown in September.

Funding has been secured for 2013, to continue the successful "operation Avon", aimed at tackling under age drinking and antisocial behaviour throughout Moray.

COMMUNITY INITIATIVE FUND

Grampian Police would like to make local groups and organisations aware of its Community Initiative Fund. The fund is designed to support and assist local projects with small grants which contribute towards either a reduction in crime, support for the victims of crime, community empowerment and/or public reassurance.

The fund which is managed by Grampian Police and the Grampian Joint Police Board is provide for by the sale of lost and found property received by the Police were an owner could not be found.

Local groups and organisations who believe they could benefit from a small grant of between £50 and £500 (with an upper limit of £2,000 for any exceptional applications) should contact their Local Area Inspector requesting further information and an application form.

2. FEEDBACK ON POLICE ACTIONS IN RESPONSE TO MATTERS RAISED AT THE PREVIOUS MEETING

No matters raised from previous meeting.

3. DETAILS OF ACTIONS IN RESPONSE TO LOCAL PRIORITIES

The latest quarterly report has been produced and is available on the Grampian Police website.

<http://www.grampian.police.uk>

follow the links for Moray, Local Policing Area and Forres / Speyside.

4. ONGOING LOCAL/ FORCEWIDE ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

HOUSE/PROPERTY SECURITY

Owners and occupiers of rural property should remain on their guard for any suspicious vehicles or persons in or around their premises. Be alert to the chance of metal thefts and given the onset of winter, the potential for fuel oil and diesel thefts.

Moray Local Policing Officers are keen to see householders and businesses following some simple advice to reduce the opportunity for criminals and also increase the opportunities for Police Officers to apprehend those responsible. Simple steps that can be taken are available on the Grampian Police website.

TELEPHONE SCAMS AND COLD CALLING

Members of the public should be wary of persons offering 'too good to be true' cash windfalls, competitions won, computer fixes etc, over the phone or on the door step, especially where bank details are requested for release of funds. Generally, these details should never be passed to anyone in these circumstances. If at all dubious ask for contact details, company name etc and research the caller fully before making any decision on proceeding. Research can easily be carried out on the internet where people who have attempted similar scams have been detected in the past and have had their modus operandi exposed. Similarly companies can easily be researched by contacting your local Trading Standards Office.