

# Policy and Sustainability Committee

10.00am, Tuesday, 21 March 2023

## Police Scotland - Local Police Plan 2023-2026 and City of Edinburgh Division Update

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### 1. Recommendations

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- 1.1 To approve the Local Police Plan 2023-2026.
- 1.2 To note the update from the divisional commander.

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# Report

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### 2. Executive Summary

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- 2.1 Police Scotland has submitted the Local Police Plan 2020-2023 for approval along with the update on the Edinburgh City Division from April – December 2022.

### 3. Background

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- 3.1 The [Police and Fire Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2012](#) requires that Divisional Commanders develop a Local Police Plan covering a three year period, and which sets out the main priorities and objectives for the policing of the Local Authority's area, explains the reasons for selecting each of those priorities and objectives, sets out the proposed arrangements for the policing of the Local Authority's area, where reasonably practicable, identifies outcomes by reference to which the achievement of those priorities and objectives may be measured, describes how those priorities, objectives and arrangements are expected to contribute to the delivery of any other relevant local outcomes which are identified by community planning, and includes any other information connected with the policing of the Local Authority's area which the Divisional Commander considers relevant.
- 3.2 In May 2019 the Council agreed that police and fire and rescue service city-wide plans, policies and performance would be considered by the Policy and Sustainability Committee.
- 3.3 This provides a forum for Police Scotland and the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service to discuss major cross-cutting issues with the Council as well as fulfilling their duty to engage with the local authority.
- 3.4 The [Police and Fire Reform \(Scotland\) Act 2012](#) requires the local commander to provide the local authority with:
- 3.4.1 reports on the carrying out of police functions in its area (including by reference to any local policing plan in force for the area),
  - 3.4.2 statistical information on complaints made about the Police Service in, or the policing of, its area, and
  - 3.4.3 other information about the policing of its area

## **4. Main report**

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- 4.1 The Local Police Plan (at Appendix 1 and 2) reflects the Edinburgh City Division's strategic outcomes and priorities, which have been shaped by views and concerns of the local community, ensuring a responsive policing model.
- 4.2 The Plan will remain subject of periodic review to ensure that it continues to accurately reflect local priorities throughout its lifespan.
- 4.3 The scrutiny report at Appendix 3 covers the period 1 April 2022 – 31 December 2022 and is part of a regular update from the divisional commander to the Policy and Sustainability Committee.
- 4.4 The report contains an overview and summary by the Divisional Commander, a summary of local policing priorities, crime statistics, and progress made around Police Scotland's strategic outcomes: Public Safety and Wellbeing; Needs of Local Community; Confidence in Policing; and Positive Working Environment.

## **5. Next Steps**

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- 5.1 Under the [Police and Fire Reform \(Scotland\) Act](#) the Council can monitor and provide feedback to the local commander.

## **6. Financial impact**

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- 6.1 Not applicable.

## **7. Stakeholder/Community Impact**

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- 7.1 Not applicable.

## **8. Background reading/external references**

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- 8.1 Policy and Sustainability Committee, 14 May 2020 – [Police Scotland – Local Police Plan 2020-2023](#)
- 8.2 Policy and Sustainability Committee 30 August 2022 – [Police Scotland – City of Edinburgh Division Update](#)
- 8.3 Policy and Sustainability Committee 17 January 2023 – [Police Scotland – City of Edinburgh Division Update](#)

## **9. Appendices**

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Appendix 1 – Police Scotland Edinburgh Division – Local Police Plan Cover Report

Appendix 2 – Draft Local Police Plan 2023-2026

Appendix 3 – City of Edinburgh Division Update

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## **EDINBURGH CITY DIVISION LOCAL POLICE PLAN 2023 - 2026 - LOCAL AUTHORITY APPROVAL SOUGHT**

### **1. PURPOSE**

1.1 The Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 requires that Divisional Commanders prepare and submit a Local Police Plan, covering a three year period, to their relevant Local Authority for approval.

1.2 Chief Superintendent Sean Scott, Divisional Commander of Edinburgh City Division, now seeks approval of our Local Police Plan 2023 - 2026.

### **2. BACKGROUND**

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2.2 Cross sector fiscal challenges, and ever evolving demands, remain an operational reality, and as members will note, the inclusions within the plan extend far beyond law enforcement, with our policing priorities demonstrating the breadth and scope of the 'ask' placed on front-line policing on a daily basis. In an Edinburgh context, this includes discharging on the unique demands and profile associated with policing in the Scottish capital.

2.3 We police with and for our diverse communities, and it's imperative that finite policing resources are effectively and efficiently utilised to maximum effect to address key issues and concerns. Reflective of same, our Local Police Plan 2023 - 2026 has been shaped, developed and informed by feedback received during our public engagement and consultation phases.

### **3. RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Policy and Sustainability Committee are asked to note:

- 3.1 The content of Edinburgh City Division's Local Police Plan 2023 - 2026; and
- 3.2 Approve same.

**Samantha Ainslie**

**Superintendent Partnerships**

**Edinburgh Division**

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## **Edinburgh Local Policing Plan**

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## **Foreword**

The Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 requires Divisional Commanders to produce a Local Police Plan covering a three year period.

The 2021 tri-partite review of Local Police Plans, undertaken by COSLA, the Scottish Police Authority and Police Scotland, identified national best practice, with the plan acknowledging and incorporating relevant recommendations.

As Divisional Commander for Edinburgh City Division, I have the great pleasure and privilege of sharing this plan, which outlines our policing priorities for 2023 – 2026.

Whilst the plan reflects our strategic outcomes and priorities, there is obvious and direct connectivity to our vision, our purpose and our values.

In practical terms, this means that our visible and accessible policing response seeks to ensure a safe and resilient city, with the overarching purpose of improving the safety and wellbeing of people, places and communities across Edinburgh, doing so, with integrity, fairness and respect, whilst upholding human rights.

Ultimately, we police for and with you.

Your views and concerns, as individuals, within and across the capital's diverse communities, have been integral in shaping our priorities and ensuring a responsive local policing model. The plan will remain subject of periodic review to ensure that it continues to accurately reflect local priorities throughout its lifespan.

To ensure the widest possible representation, in addition to our network of partners, public consultation focused on capturing the views of less-engaged and seldom-heard communities.

Extending far beyond law enforcement, our policing priorities demonstrate the breadth and scope of the 'ask' placed on front-line policing on a daily basis, which in an Edinburgh context, also includes discharging the unique demands and profile associated with policing in the Scottish capital.

In no way exhaustive, this includes key political and heritage sites, a significant visitor footprint, events, protests, demonstrations and a significant foreign consulate profile, all undertaken alongside the real and ongoing challenges presented by protecting communities across public, private and digital domains.



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My officers and staff are critical to delivering a relevant and professional policing response, underpinned by our values and human rights, and my personal commitment to assuring their safety and welfare, which includes an inclusive and supportive working environment, remains integral to my personal responsibilities as Divisional Commander.

We will always strive to meet expectations, however, I acknowledge that we may not do so on every occasion. Policing legitimacy is built on trust and confidence, and, in such circumstances, you have my absolute assurance that concerns will be listened to, and where we have not got things right, we will apologise and take proportionate and timely action to redress.

Cross sector fiscal challenges, and ever evolving demands, remain an operational reality, necessitating that finite policing resources are effectively and efficiently utilised to deliver maximum effect.

It's widely accepted that policing cannot, nor could be expected, to tackle the root causes of offending and/or other complex inter-generational social issues in autonomy.

I both welcome and value the professionalism, skills, experience and contribution of statutory and non-statutory partners in developing sustainable solutions to address these challenges. Embodied by our Public Health Policing approach, and informed by professional experience, holistic approaches which are focused on prevention and early intervention, often prove more effective in delivering positive outcomes than traditional police led enforcement activities alone.

As an advocate of The Christie Principles, I firmly believe that Edinburgh's communities will be best served by the development and delivery of placed-based integrated public service provision.

These collaborative tenets are also enshrined within the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, which creates a statutory duty for community planning partners, like ourselves, to play a full and active role in delivering services to reduce inequalities and improve the lives of those most in need of support.

As a strategic lead, I form part of the membership of the Edinburgh Partnership Board, the city's Community Planning Partnership, which oversees and monitors delivery across the three shared priorities, outlined within the 10 year Local Outcome Improvement Plan.

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This established multi-agency framework, demonstrates the efficacy of what can and should be achieved in partnership, and I remain committed to working with colleagues across the city, to realise my ambition, wherein our locally tailored policing response forms part of a wider multi-faceted public service offer.

This integrated approach will undoubtedly ensure that those in need have ready access to a suite of services, led and delivered by the agencies and practitioners best skilled and equipped to do so.

As ever, I thank you for your continued support, and in closing, I wish to reaffirm that officers and staff in Edinburgh, and indeed, across Police Scotland, will continue to do their utmost to keep Edinburgh's communities safe from harm.



A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Sean Scott'. The signature is stylized and fluid.

**Chief Superintendent Sean Scott**

Divisional Commander, Edinburgh City Division

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# Introduction

## Local policing arrangements

**Edinburgh City Division** covers a large geographic area in the East of Scotland from Leith in the north to the Pentland Hills in the south, with a resident population of approximately 530,000, almost doubling during the summer months when tourism, and most notably, the internationally renowned Edinburgh Festival, attracts thousands of additional visitors to the city.

The local policing structure aligns with City of Edinburgh Council's locality boundaries, with day to day policing within each of the four areas being led by a dedicated Local Area Commander.

**South East locality** comprises the city centre and south of the city. This area faces a unique set of challenges and pressures, commensurate with the status and profile of Scotland's capital city. More specifically, the city centre footprint encompasses the Scottish Parliament, Edinburgh Castle and the Palace of Holyroodhouse, allied with a variety of cultural attractions, including festivals, events and celebrations. Owing to this heightened profile, the city centre attracts a significant number of protests and demonstrations, whilst remaining a preferred, and consistently popular, destination for millions of visitors, both national and international. The area has a vibrant and diverse population, and accommodates major healthcare, academic, religious and cultural facilities spread across a broad range of residential areas and various green spaces. It also boasts a significant number of small-scale commercial enterprises supporting the local community.

**North West locality** incorporates a diverse range of communities, from the historic villages of Cramond and South Queensferry in the semi-rural west, to the residential areas of Corstorphine and Ravelston, and the wards of Almond, Forth and Inverleith. Housing throughout is a blend of social and privately owned properties, characterised by areas of relative affluence juxtaposed with those of significant levels of social need, resulting in higher than average levels of unemployment and poverty. The area also includes a scenic coastline, Scotland's busiest airport, two large shopping centres and Murrayfield Stadium, the home of our National rugby team.

**North East locality** includes an historic castle, parks and beaches. Various community and social housing projects, backed by local Government funding, continue to rejuvenate a number of the more socially deprived areas, offering improved access to services and challenging inequalities to enhance community wellbeing. The area also accommodates large retail developments at Fort Kinnaird, and Ocean Terminal, attracting commerce from across the region.

**South West locality** encompasses a diverse area, comprising a range of residential housing, in addition to a varied footprint of commercial, light industrial, retail, leisure facilities and green spaces, including the Pentland Hills. Residential areas include those of relative affluence, with higher levels of educational attainment and employment levels, alongside areas with significant levels of social need, relating to higher than average unemployment and poverty.

## **National strategic alignment**

Our strategic outcomes provide a clear route from the Scottish Government's outcomes and priorities, including the Justice Strategy, through Police Scotland's strategies, plans and performance reporting mechanisms, enabling us to demonstrate alignment and clearly articulate our ambitions and progress as demonstrated below. In addition to the Annual Police Plan, Police Scotland's thirteen local policing divisions produce these Local Police Plans which reference distinct local priorities, objectives, outcomes and performance measures. They link to wider community planning arrangements, with Local Outcome Improvement Plans taken into account in their development.

- Scottish Government National Outcomes/Strategic Priorities/Justice Vision
- SPA/Police Scotland Strategic Outcomes
- Long Term Policing Strategy: Policing for a Safe, Protected and Resilient Scotland
- Enabler strategies including People, Fleet, Estates, Public Contact and Engagement, Enabling Policing for the Future, Digital Data and ICT, Cyber, Environmental, Procurement, Violence against Women and Girls, Equality Diversity and Inclusion

These are underpinned by plans including the Annual Police Plan, Local Police Plans, Local Outcome Improvement Plans, and Financial Plans.

## **Policing in Edinburgh**

Uniformed policing in the Division is delivered within localities, comprising response and community policing complements, supported by locally based initiative teams, addressing specific priorities and emerging crime trends.

Our vibrant weekend night-time economy is policed by Operation NightGuard, which sees police officers work in partnership with Taxi Marshalls, Licensing Standards Officers, Street Assist, Street Pastors, and other partners to ensure that residents and visitors enjoy a safe night out.

Specialist departments within the Division include the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) and the Public Protection (PPU), responsible for the investigation and oversight of serious crime, sexual crime and domestic abuse respectively. This complement also incorporates bespoke units focused on investigating housebreakings, violent offending, offending targeted at high profile figures, including those in elected office and iconic / high profile locations, and County Lines and Cuckooing activity.

With a broad prevention led portfolio spanning, cyber enabled crime, equality, diversity and inclusion, youth justice and missing persons, our Prevention, Interventions and Partnerships (PIP) team provide specialist support across the Division. Unique to Edinburgh City Division, this team also includes the VOW, where mentors with lived experience of the criminal justice system, work alongside officers to provide targeted interventions to support 16-25 year olds, already known to criminal justice partners and/or individuals at high risk of drug related harm, to achieve long term positive trajectories.

Reflective of the city's capital status, Edinburgh encompasses high profile political and heritage sites, allied with a diverse range of sporting venues, international and local festivals, concerts, royalty/VIP visits, parades and protests. In any given year, Police officers from across Scotland, support Edinburgh City Division in ensuring the safety of visitors, spectators and participants.

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Whilst not always as visible to local communities, Edinburgh City Division also has access to skills, expertise and resource drawn from across the suite of national specialist Divisions.

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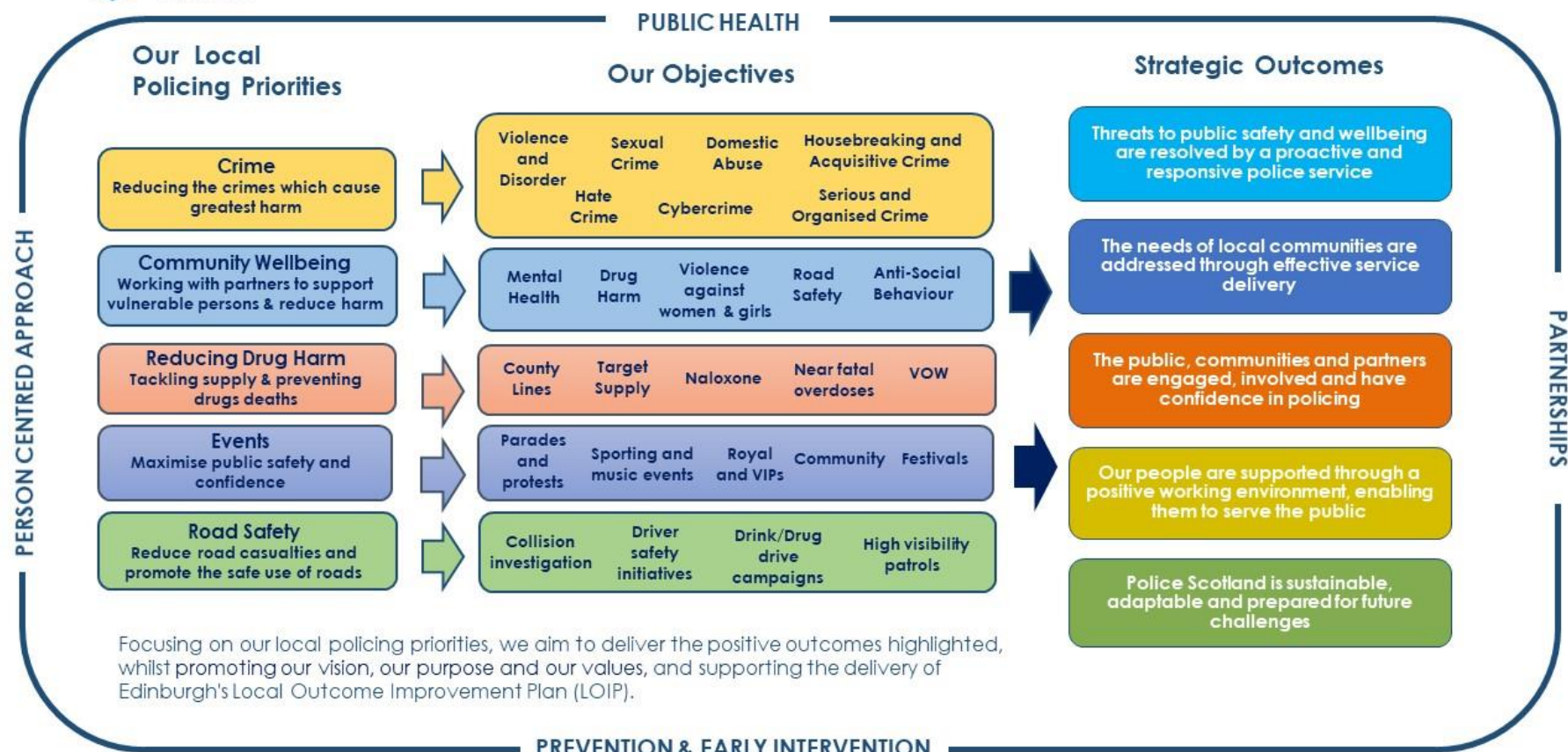
## Local priorities – Our plan on a page



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### Plan on a Page - Edinburgh City Division

**Our vision** | Policing for a safe, protected and resilient Scotland  
**Our purpose** | Improve the safety and wellbeing of people, places and communities in Scotland  
**Our values** | Fairness, Integrity, Respect, Human Rights





## **Local objectives and activities**

### **Strategic Outcome 1: Threats to public safety and wellbeing are resolved by a proactive and responsive police service**

Objective: Keep people safe in the physical and digital world

Activity: Work with partners to prevent and investigate serious crime, violence, domestic abuse, online crime and sexual crime.

Key milestones:

- Regularly review investigative processes to ensure efficient and effective investigation of these crime types.
- Implement the Partnership Intelligence Portal between key agencies and third sector organisations to identify and reduce harm to individuals.
- Identify, target and manage high tariff and repeat domestic abuse offenders through Multi-Agency Tasking and Co-ordination (MATAC).
- Reduce harm and improve safeguarding for victims of domestic abuse by continual improvement of Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conferences (MARAC).
- Utilise the Equally Safe Multi-Agency Centre (ESMAC) to provide comprehensive and collaborative investigative support and aftercare for children and adult victims of serious sexual offences and gender based abuse.
- Continued enhancement of our local Multi-Agency Public Protection Arrangements (MAPPA), working in partnership to design and implement comprehensive risk management plans for offenders in the community.
- Continue to complete robust investigation of Hate Crimes, supported by specialist Equality, Diversity and Inclusion officers.

Update expected: Y1-3 Quarterly

Performance measures and insights:

How does Edinburgh City Division work effectively with partners to prevent and respond to domestic abuse?

How well does Edinburgh City Division identify and support adults and children at risk from harm within the physical and digital domains?

How effectively does Edinburgh City Division manage offenders in collaboration with MAPPA partners?

Activity: Maintain and strengthen relationships with partners to mitigate the risk of violence and improve safety whilst holding perpetrators to account.

Key milestones:

- Raise internal and external awareness of the Disclosure Scheme for Domestic Abuse Scotland (DSDAS).
- Work with partner agencies to deliver these disclosures in a way that is meaningful and cognisant of an individual's needs and vulnerabilities, ensuring that a comprehensive package of support is provided.
- Promote cultural change within the workplace, and across our wider society, and supported by partners, highlight the national #ThatGuy campaign.
- Work with colleagues from national Partnerships, Prevention and Community Wellbeing (PPCW) to ensure that Edinburgh City Division contributes to, and is aware of, national updates and initiatives.
- Our Domestic Abuse Investigation Unit (DAIU) provides specialist safety planning and investigative support to victims and survivors. Working collectively with partners, provide access to locally based specialist resources and deliver a holistic package of aftercare to the victims of domestic abuse.
- Ensure a victim centred approach whilst providing a professional and effective response to all reports of domestic abuse.
- Support and promote Equally Safe campaigns targeting violence against women, raising internal awareness of honour based violence, forced marriage, domestic abuse services and avenues of local support.

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- Work with the City of Edinburgh Council to maximise the use of public space CCTV to increase feelings of safety within the public domain, deter crime, and detect and pursue offenders.
- In collaboration with our local Prevention, Interventions and Partnerships team, deliver comprehensive safety advice and guidance to victims of crime, improving awareness of personal safety and security, to build confidence and reduce risk of harm.

Update expected: Y1-3 Quarterly

Performance measures and insights:

How does Edinburgh City Division incorporate feedback from the #ThatGuy campaign?

How does Edinburgh City Division review the performance of the DSDAS scheme?

How does Edinburgh City Division incorporate feedback from workplace and public focused surveys?

How effectively does Edinburgh City Division support victims and survivors of domestic abuse?

Objective: Design services jointly to tackle complex public safety and wellbeing challenges

Activity: Continue to improve our child and adult protection programmes.

Key milestones:

- Where we assess that an individual (adult or child) may be at risk, we will continue to utilise our Vulnerable Persons Database (VPD) to record concerns, and thereafter liaise with partners to agree appropriate safeguarding and support measures.
- We will initiate and contribute to Interagency Referral Discussions (IRD) for an individual (adult or child) at risk of harm.
- To support compassionate, non-judgemental and informed engagement, we will deliver stigma-aware and trauma-informed training to all officers and staff.

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- We will maximise opportunities to utilise the Equally Safe Multi-Agency Centre (ESMAC) to support and safeguard children who have been abused or neglected.
- We will work with Edinburgh City Council Young Persons' Services and third sector partners, including Barnardos and Alheimers Scotland, to effectively conduct interviews when a young person / vulnerable individual returns from a missing episode.

Update expected: Y1-3 Quarterly

Performance measures and insights:

How effectively does Edinburgh City Division respond to reports of adults and children who go missing?

How well does Edinburgh City Division work with partners to provide joined up and cohesive support to mitigate and reduce the risk to vulnerable adults and children?

How will Edinburgh City Division respond to feedback from the ongoing Adult Support and Protection Review?

Activity: Using a collaborative approach, engage and support those experiencing mental ill-health.

Key milestones:

- We will review our ongoing pilot with Alheimers Scotland, wherein specialist staff complete bespoke 'return' interviews and individual / family support visits following a missing episode.
- We will continue to meet regularly with health colleagues to improve our joint response to mental health detentions.
- Working with health partners, we will refresh our Psychiatric Emergency Plan (PEP) to support shared understanding of single agency accountabilities and multi -agency responses to incidents involving mental ill-health and persons in crisis.

Update expected: Y1-3 Quarterly

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Performance measures and insights:

Has the Alzheimers Scotland pilot delivered positive outcomes?

How effective is Edinburgh City Division in signposting those experiencing mental ill-health crisis to the appropriate specialist practitioners / agencies?

Objective: Support policing through proactive prevention

Activity: Informed by our Public Health Policing Approach, we will work with partners to address the negative impact of problem drug use within Edinburgh.

Key milestones:

- We will train our staff in the use of Naloxone sprays and provide them with this capability to intervene / treat those experiencing an opioid overdose.
- We will utilise our Divisional Drugs Oversight Board to maximise prevention, intelligence and enforcement opportunities, share best practice and contribute to wider local and national work to reduce drugs deaths.
- We will proactively and professionally investigate all drugs deaths within Edinburgh.
- We will continue to monitor drug related non-fatal overdose (NFO) incidents, and to enable expedient access to treatment and support, we will share information in respect of those most at risk of harm, with health and other partners.
- We will proactively target organised crime and drugs supply.
- We will actively participate in the Edinburgh Drug and Alcohol Partnership.
- We are committed to securing ongoing funding to support the continuation of VOW's assertive outreach capability.

Update expected: Y1-3 Quarterly

Performance measures and insights:

How effective has the divisional roll-out of Naloxone proven to be?

Have our investigative approaches positively impacted on the identification of drugs supply cases?

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How effective is the VOW's assertive outreach capability?

## **Strategic Outcome 2: The needs of local communities are addressed through effective service delivery**

Objective: Understand our communities and deliver the right mix of services to meet their needs

Activity: Through preventative and enforcement measures tackle housebreaking and acquisitive crime.

Key milestones:

- Our Prevention, Interventions and Partnerships team will continue to provide targeted crime prevention advice to individuals and businesses.
- We will work with police colleagues throughout Scotland to share intelligence and jointly tackle cross-divisional offending.
- We will maximise the use of social and traditional media, Neighbourhood Watch and other community and interest groups, to raise awareness of notable crimes, crime trends and crime prevention opportunities.
- We will continue to target and pursue housebreakers and known offenders through our dedicated investigation teams.
- We will work with recidivist offenders to offer support and preventative interventions.
- We will monitor financial crime trends, work alongside partners in Trading Standards and Financial Institutions, and provide fraud prevention advice to our communities.

Update expected: Y1-3 Quarterly

Performance measures and insights:

How effective is Edinburgh City Division's approach in preventing and deterring housebreakings?

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Has Edinburgh City Division reduced reports of motorcycle thefts and anti-social behaviour related calls in the city?

How well does Edinburgh City Division work with local businesses to design out opportunities for crime?

How safe do local residents feel?

Activity: We will target serious and organised crime by maximising preventative and investigative opportunities.

Key milestones:

- We will work in partnership with other agencies to dismantle Serious and Organised Crime Groups (SOCG) in communities, rendering them ineffective and unable to profit from criminality.
- Through targeted local campaigns, we will promote awareness of the threat and harm that SOCGs present to individuals, businesses and communities.
- We will collaborate with stakeholders across education, social services and health to maximise awareness, prevention, information sharing and support and protect those most at risk from SOCG activity.
- We will utilise new, emerging and innovative technologies, to enhance our approach and response to priority crime, threats and harm.
- We will maximise preventative opportunities for vulnerable individuals, groups and communities who may be targeted for trafficking.

Update expected: Y1-3 Quarterly

Performance measures and insights:

How effectively does Edinburgh City Division investigate Serious and Organised Crime?

How safe do local residents feel?

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Activity: Through a proactive and collaborative approach, prevent and respond to serious violence, disorder and antisocial behaviour.

Key milestones:

- As exemplified by Operation NightGuard, we will address disorder and antisocial behaviour through a comprehensive package of measures, including police led and partnership activity.
- We will promote the 'Think Twice' partnership initiative and utilise all available Criminal Justice options to hold offenders to account.
- Address violence through preventative programmes including "no knives better lives" and robust collaborative investigations led by our Violence Reduction Unit.
- The VOW will continue to engage with repeat offenders and those at risk of substance related harm, to support them to address their behaviour.
- We will support seasonal activities such as Operation Crackle and Moonbeam, to robustly tackle instances of violence, disorder and anti-social behaviour.
- We will utilise local and thematic Community Improvement Partnerships (CIPs) as mechanisms to support collaboration and develop and deliver joint plans to prevent and address violence, disorder and anti-social behaviour.
- We will work with the City of Edinburgh Council to maximise the use of public space CCTV to increase feelings of safety within the public domain, deter crime, and detect and pursue offenders.

Update expected: Y1-3 Quarterly

Performance measures and insights:

How well does Edinburgh City Division collaborate with partners to prevent and address violence, disorder and antisocial behaviour?

Review reduction in offending by individuals managed by the VOW, and the consequent cost saving to the Criminal Justice system.

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To effectively respond to violent offenders, has Edinburgh Division maximised all available opportunities to expand our Specially Trained Officer (STO) cadre and equip officers with Conducted Energy Devices (CED / Tasers)?

How safe do local residents feel?

Objective: Support our communities through a blend of local and national expertise

Activity: Make our roads safer through the delivery of a suite of multi-agency activity co-ordinated by the Divisional Road Safety Partnership.

Key milestones:

- We will actively contribute to national Road Policing campaigns, including festive and summer initiatives.
- We will detect and deter criminal use of the roads network, utilising high visibility patrols allied with the effective use of intelligence and proactive local road traffic interventions and initiatives.
- We will support training and education activities aimed at less experienced drivers, and those promoting road safety, such as the 'Close Pass' cycling safety initiative.
- We will develop and share our management information, to better understand trends and hotspots, in order to focus enforcement activity effectively.

Update expected: Q4 Annually

Performance measures and insights:

How effectively does Edinburgh City Division support the Road Policing Division in positively influencing pedestrian and road user behaviour to improve road safety?

How well does Edinburgh City Division utilise driver education and enforcement activities to reduce road casualties?

## **Strategic Outcome 3: The public, communities and partners are engaged, involved and have confidence in policing**

Objective: Protect the public and promote wellbeing throughout Edinburgh City Division by providing services that are relevant, accessible and effective

Activity: Harness opportunities for engagement across Edinburgh's communities and support public confidence by promoting successful investigations, operations and events and delivery of outcomes. Maximise insights from the 'Your Police' and user experience surveys.

Key milestones:

- Assuring visibility and accessibility, our locality based Community Policing teams will continue to work with and extend their reach across our local diverse communities.
- Our Prevention, Interventions and Partnerships team will maintain their commitment to broaden our city-wide partnership networks, to include less engaged and seldom-heard communities.
- We will continue to maximise opportunities for community engagement at a citywide and locality level, including attendance at Community and Strategic Partnership forums.
- Reflecting the differing needs of communities, we will continue to develop the role and contribution of our Special Constables, Police Scotland's Youth Volunteers and Peer Mentors in community engagement activities.
- We will continue to develop the role of our Divisional Media Officer, exploring and exploiting digital technology, to extend our reach, promote our activities and build public trust and confidence.

Update expected: Y1-3 Quarterly

Performance measures and insights:

How well does Edinburgh City Division utilise feedback to support and inform service delivery?

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How effectively does Edinburgh City Division promote our activities and outcomes?  
How can Edinburgh City Division further develop our partnership networks?

Activity: Maintain and maximise public safety and confidence during events, including protests, demonstrations, sporting events, concerts, Hogmanay and the Edinburgh Festival. Work with event organisers and partner agencies to deliver safe and secure events and operations, including parades, protests, Royal and VIP visits, religious, community, sporting, music and seasonal festival events.

Key milestones:

- We will work with event organisers and partner agencies to plan and deliver safe and secure events.
- We will balance the rights of those attending events against the rights of the wider community and work to minimise disruption.
- We will continually review our policing response to events to ensure that learning is incorporated into future plans.
- We will actively seek to improve and enhance our joint approach to safety and security, making use of the most appropriate resources, equipment and available technology.

Update expected: Q4 Annually

Performance measures and insights:

Can Edinburgh City Division provide specific examples of how collaborative working has improved public safety at events within Edinburgh?

## **Strategic Outcome 4: Our people are supported through a positive working environment, enabling them to serve the public**

Objective: Create a positive environment for our people to achieve their potential

Activity: Effectively engage with and support our people through local delivery of the East People Strategy.

Key milestones:

- Review and seek feedback from our officers and staff on the implementation of the 2-2-2 shift pattern within the Division.
- Conduct regular meetings of our 'Enhance Edinburgh' officer and staff forum, to capture views on a range of divisional developments, including staff wellbeing initiatives.
- We will develop and maintain a series of supervisor toolkits to share best practice, ensure consistency across teams and upskill and develop newly promoted officers.
- We will review the findings and recommendations of Police Scotland's consultation around sexism and misogyny within the workplace and embed any learning within Edinburgh City Division.
- The Senior Management Team will continue to provide opportunities for officers / staff to table questions, provide feedback and suggestions for improvements, which includes meeting regularly with local Police Federation and staff representatives.

Update expected: Y1-3 Quarterly

Performance measures and insights:

How well does Edinburgh City Division support officers and staff to effectively perform their roles?

How is officer / staff feedback and survey data acknowledged, considered by the Senior Management Team and embedded to support positive change?

## **Strategic Outcome 5: Police Scotland is sustainable, adaptable and prepared for future challenges**

Ongoing political, technological, economic and societal changes as well as unforeseeable emergencies on a local and global scale require the police service to adapt and respond to future challenges in order to maximise the benefits of future opportunities.

This includes working to reduce the impact of our activity, estates and fleet on the environment. Police Scotland aims to make a significant contribution to the Scottish Government's 2040 carbon neutral target and 2045 zero greenhouse gas emissions target.

Everyone has a role to play in improving financial sustainability, making efficient use of resources and eliminating waste to deliver best value.

Procurement of and demand for goods and services will remain under scrutiny, ensuring resources are used in the most efficient way possible to meet the greatest need.

Objective: Ensure that we are meeting and adapting to the increasing and changing demands on policing

Activity: Consider the environmental impact of local policing and adapt working practices accordingly.

Key milestones:

- We will continue to promote workplace initiatives aimed at reducing our carbon footprint.
- We will support officers and staff by encouraging uptake of the cycle to work scheme.
- Community Policing activities will incorporate foot patrols and the deployment of cycle trained officers, where appropriate to do so.
- We will continue to support the move to Ultra Low Emission Vehicles (ULEVs) and commit to evolving our Divisional fleet as the roll-out of charging points progresses across our local estate.

Update expected: Y1-3 Quarterly

Performance measures and insights:

How effectively does Edinburgh City Division contribute to reducing carbon emissions and the environmental impact of its collective activities?

## **Governance and performance**

Policing by consent is the bedrock of our approach. Public trust and confidence can only be maintained through the legitimacy provided by effective governance, transparency and accountability.

Our Performance Framework links to our local and national plans, enabling monitoring and measurement of progress on our policing priorities and strategic outcomes. Further, as referenced, our collaborative work in support of Edinburgh's Community Planning Partnership, is also key to delivering excellence in service provision.

Our Local Police Plan reflects the priorities that local communities, businesses and organisations have told us matter most to them. Throughout the lifetime of the plan, we will continue to work with our communities and partners to listen to concerns and ensure we respond effectively to emerging issues.

An overview of divisional performance against our strategic outcomes and shared objectives is provided by the Divisional Commander, and comes under scrutiny at the City of Edinburgh Council's Culture and Communities Committee, with key themes reported and accessible via <https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/what-we-do/how-we-are-performing/>.

Local Area Commanders regularly liaise with and provide updates to the community and elected representatives at various forums and, to complement this, Community Policing officers provide local policing updates at Community Council meetings and across a suite of community specific and interest groups.

## Equality, Diversity and Inclusion

Our work is underpinned by our commitment to equality and diversity, which includes interactions with the public we serve and our own officers and staff. We promote the core policing values of human rights, integrity, fairness, and respect within our organisation and the communities we police.

We are committed to developing and advancing best practice as outlined within the most recent refresh of our Equality Outcomes. These can be found along with our commitment and duties to equality, diversity and inclusion at:

<https://www.scotland.police.uk/spa-media/oa5nurw5/joint-equality-outcomes-for-policing-2021.pdf>

## Engaging with us

Meaningful and effective engagement involves genuine dialogue, respect, integrity, transparency and accountability. It provides an opportunity for the public to shape our services and influence our decisions. These insights thereafter inform practical solutions and ultimately ensure that our policing services meet the needs of the diverse communities we serve.

Should you wish to contact us, please do so utilising the following means:

1. Edinburgh City Division, St Leonard's Police Station, 14 St Leonard's Street, Edinburgh. EH8 9QW.
2. Should you have information about crime in your area, and wish to provide it anonymously, call CRIMESTOPPERS on 0800 555111.
3. Service users who are deaf or have a hearing impairment can contact Police Scotland via TextRelay on 18001 101 for non-emergency requirements, or 18000 in an emergency.
4. More detailed information on how to contact your [Local Policing Team](#) is available on our website.

As a learning organisation, Police Scotland is committed to continuous improvement. We actively welcome feedback on our services, please submit via <https://www.scotland.police.uk/contact-us/>

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Further information about our wider engagement activities can be found in our consultation and engagement hub at: <https://consult.scotland.police.uk/>

Police Scotland also has a number of active social media channels that provide a range of information and insight into policing, both nationally and in your local area. A full list of our social media accounts can be found on our website.

Edinburgh City Division's local channels can be found at:



<https://twitter.com/EdinburghPolice>



<https://en-gb.facebook.com/EdinburghPoliceDivision>

Please note that our social media channels are not monitored 24/7, and should not be used for reporting crime. Please dial 999 in an emergency, and 101 in a non-emergency situation.

## Inclusive and accessible engagement

We aim to embed accessibility and inclusivity into all of our services. This Local Police Plan was subject to an Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessment (EqHRIA). A summary of the EqHRIA has been published alongside this document at

This Local Police Plan can be made available in various alternative formats. For more information, please contact us via our online form:

<https://www.scotland.police.uk/contact-us/>

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# EDINBURGH CITY DIVISION

## SCRUTINY REPORT

April - December 2022

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# Introduction by the Divisional Commander



It is my pleasure to present the Q3 Edinburgh City Division scrutiny report for April to December 2022. This period has seen a number of large-scale and unique policing operations, bringing significant attention to the capital and Police Scotland.

The capital's 2022 events calendar concluded on 31st December, when we once again supported event organisers to deliver Edinburgh's world famous and sold-out Hogmanay street party. Around 45,000 revellers defied the cold and rain to bring in the bells in the city centre once again. Significant planning and preparation was undertaken ahead of the city's first street party since 2019, and I am pleased to say that it passed without serious incident and with no arrests.

In response to the significant disorder we saw across the city on Bonfire Night, during which 2 officers were injured, a divisional post-incident response and investigation was launched. Our dedicated post-incident investigation has resulted in 14 individuals being charged for their part in the disorder, with enquiries continuing unabated to bring further offenders to justice. I thank Edinburgh's communities for their support and assistance and will continue to work for them and with them, alongside stakeholders, to protect the public.

I wrote to elected members recently regarding increased incidents of targeted organised crime violence involving known criminal gangs who have been in a feud for a number of years. These gang members predominantly reside in the Liberton, Gilmerton, Craigmillar, Niddrie, West Pilton and Wester Drylaw areas. A dedicated investigative team has been working for the past few weeks, with a parallel operational disruption plan, resulting in significant arrests with more to come. We continue to carry out regular checks at addresses of gang members who we believe may be under threat or have been the victims of crime or attempted attacks. I want to reassure the public and reiterate the fact that the violence is targeted with no wider community threat.

In relation to the recent Scottish Government budget settlement for policing and the resource implications therein, work is still ongoing to assess the effect this will have on police numbers across Local Policing and particularly in Edinburgh.

It was a pleasure to see so many people attending the recent Six Nations Rugby internationals at Murrayfield and I look forward to seeing similar crowds at the forthcoming summer rugby tests. We have the usual eclectic mix of other upcoming events including the 2023 UCI Cycling World Championships, a variety of music and dance events, The Royal Edinburgh Military Tattoo, the Royal Highland Show, the King's Coronation and Royal Week itself, all of which contribute to Edinburgh's rich culture and we look forward to working with our partners to ensure these are safe and enjoyable experiences for all involved.

Chief Superintendent Sean Scott  
Divisional Commander



# Summary of Local Policing Priorities

For the reporting period of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022, a total of 35534 crimes were recorded by Edinburgh Division. This is a reduction of 8.0% (3070 fewer crimes) against the five year average. Solvency has reduced by 1.8% over the same five year period to 51.2%. The following summary provides a breakdown in respect of our Local Policing Priorities against the 5 year average, and against last year to date (LYTD) where the 5 year average is not available. The 5 year average remains the primary comparator for analysing performance, however it contains and is influenced by the performance data of the 2020/21 Covid-19 pandemic.

## Addressing Violence

Overall violent crime has reduced by 7.1% (368 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average. There have been 5 recorded murders, which is 2 more than the 5 year average. Attempted murder has increased by 25.0% (4 more crimes) against the 5 year average. Serious assaults have reduced by 12.6% (32 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average. Common assault (including emergency workers) has reduced by 6.3% (300 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average.

## Reducing Drug Harm and Targeting Supply

Partnership work with the National County Lines Co-ordination Centre continues, with the aim of reducing the opportunities for external Serious and Organised Crime Groups to supply controlled substances in Edinburgh, whilst also providing safeguarding opportunities for those that are exploited. Proactive enforcement has resulted in positive recoveries of illegal drugs, cash, related paraphernalia and the seizure of vehicles. Total drug crime has increased by 4.5% (83 more crimes) against the 5 year average.

## Targeting Housebreaking and Acquisitive Crime

Acquisitive crime has reduced by 12.2% (1544 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average. Domestic housebreaking has reduced by 35.3% (273 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average. Motor vehicle crime has reduced by 7.2% (123 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average. Theft shoplifting has reduced by 9.8% (280 fewer crimes), and common theft has reduced by 1.8% (37 fewer crimes). Fraud has increased by 32.7% (382 more crimes), which is reflective of the wider national picture.

## Dealing with Disorder and Antisocial Behaviour

Antisocial behaviour incidents have reduced by 20.3% (5753 fewer incidents) against the 5 year average. Overall Group 4 crimes (including vandalism, malicious mischief and fire-raising) have reduced by 10.4% (406 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average. Vandalism has reduced by 16.0 % (544 fewer crimes) over the same period.

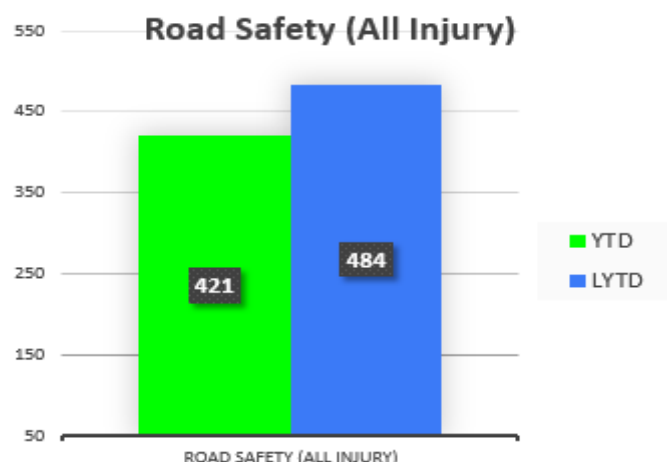
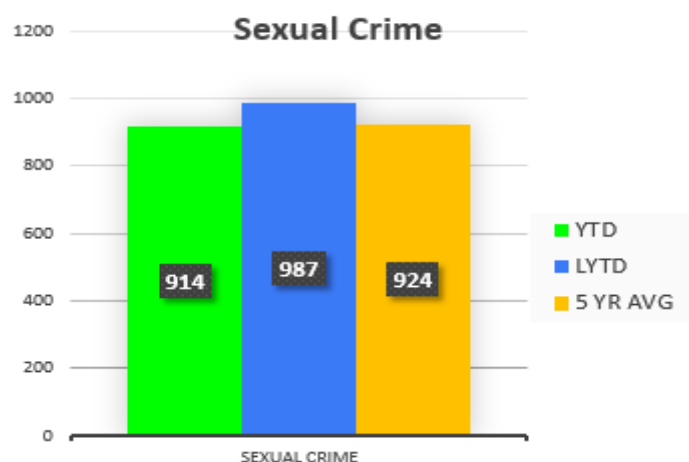
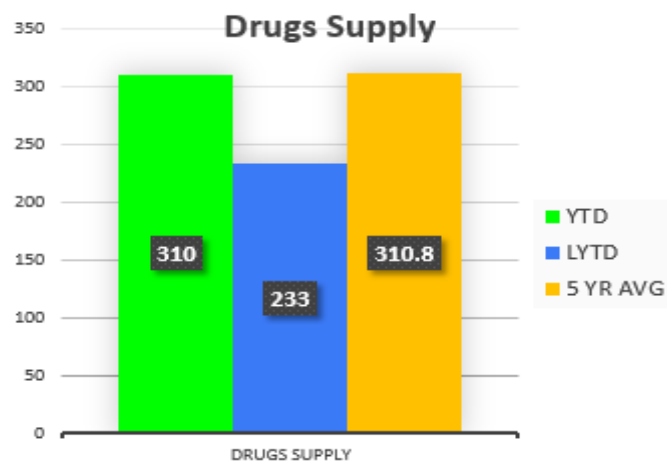
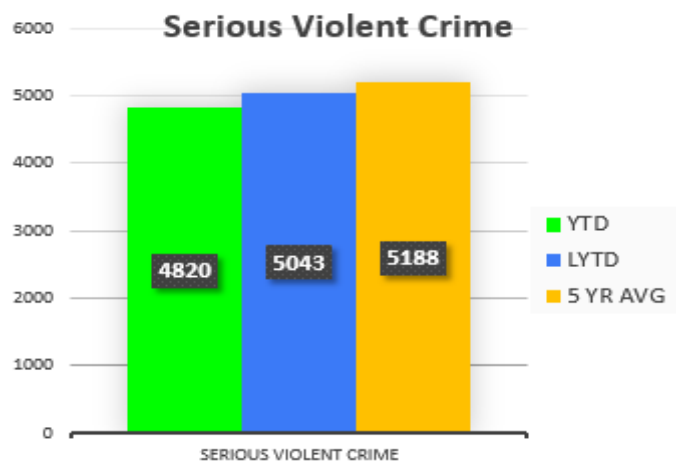
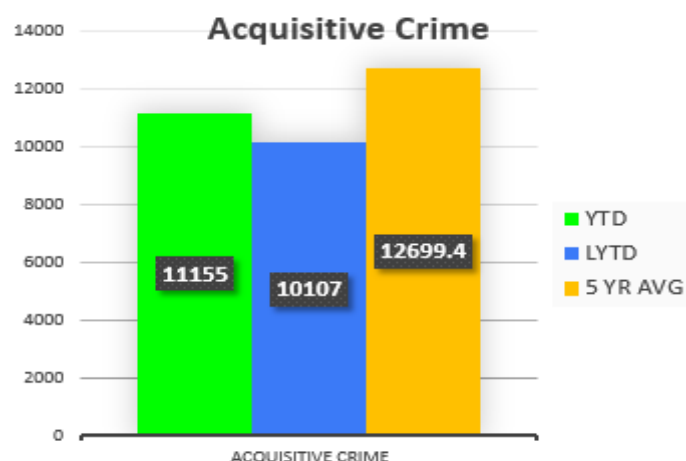
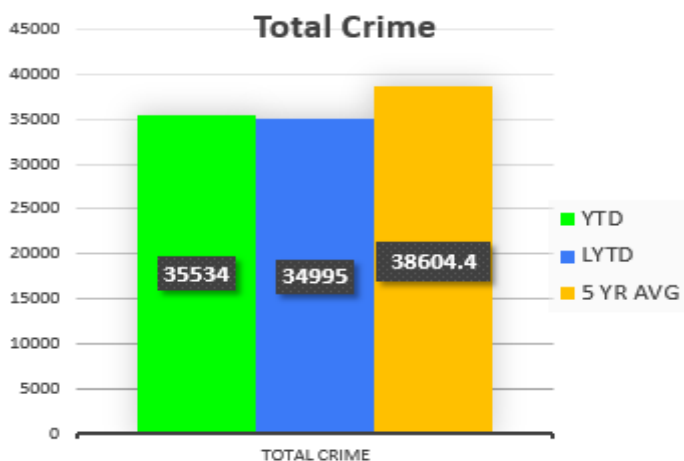
## Making Our Roads Safe

Offences in relation to driving and the use of motor vehicles have reduced by 0.2% (17 fewer crimes) compared to the 5 year average. There have been six fatal collisions this year to date, compared to three LYTD. There has been a reduction of 19.9% (27 fewer collisions) in serious injury collisions and a reduction of 11.3% (39 fewer collisions) in those resulting in slight injury against LYTD.



# Edinburgh City Division at a glance

The charts below represent year to date incident and crime demand throughout the division, compared with last year to date and the 5 year average.





# Public Safety and Wellbeing

Success means that threats to public safety and wellbeing are resolved by a responsive police service

## Addressing Violence

### Group 1 crime includes:

- Murder
- Attempted murder
- Serious assault
- Robbery

	Group 1 Recorded Crime	Group 1 Solvency
		
April – December 2022	786	59.0%
April – December 5 year average	711	67.0%
% change from 5 year average	+10.6%	-7.9%

- Group 1 crime has increased by 10.6% (75 more crimes) against the 5 year average. The increase in 'sextortion' and drugging offences has significantly contributed to the increase in Group 1 offences and the reduction in Group 1 solvency. When excluding these offences from the crime statistics, Group 1 crime has reduced by 8.2% (58 fewer crimes) and solvency has increased by 4.2% to 77.2% against the 5 year average.
- S.1 Domestic Abuse Scotland Act (DASA) offences have reduced by 23.6% (30 fewer crimes) against LYTD. DASA offences continue to affect the overall Group 1 picture since its introduction on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019.
- 5 murders have been recorded this year, an increase of 2 murders against the 5 year average.
- 21 attempted murders have been recorded this year, which is 4 more than the 5 year average. This increase is a result of targeted acts of violence, with no significant wider risk to members of our communities.
- Serious assaults have reduced by 12.6% (32 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average. Solvency has increased by 5.1%.
- Robbery has reduced against the 5 year average by 21.8% (42 fewer crimes).
- Threats & Extortion has increased by 158.0% (99 more crimes) against the 5 year average. A significant number of these were instances of webcam blackmail or 'sextortion'. These are frequently perpetrated overseas, however the crime remains recorded in Scotland.
- There have been 29 Druggings reported this year to date, compared to a 5 year average of 18. The large rise in reported offences is a result of considerable media and social media attention given to 'spiking' during the last 18 months.



### QUOTE

#### Detective Inspector Kevin Tait:

*"I am pleased to report the continued trend in reduction for the most common group 1 crimes of serious assaults and robberies. Whilst the overall category of group 1 recorded crimes has increased, this is as a direct result of crime recording for specific offences, namely online extortions, commonly referred to as 'sextortion'. The focus of these crimes is prevention, as the perpetrators are typically overseas. Our Preventions, Interventions and Partnerships department continue to work closely with a number of our partners and communities in this regard, with a view to reducing this crime type and offering future safeguarding principles."*



*We have seen a slight increase in attempted murder crimes over the reporting period. These have been targeted attacks, as referenced in the Divisional Commander's introduction.*

*As we move into the last quarter of the year, addressing violence remains a priority. Through our continued partnership working and community engagement, I expect that we will see a downward trend in violent and associated crime across the city."*



## Group 2 crime includes:

- Rape
- Sexual assault
- Lewd and libidinous practices
- Communicating indecently
- Disclosing intimate images

	Group 2 Recorded Crime	Group 2 Solvency
		
April – December 2022	914	53.1%
April – December 5 year average	924	56.6%
% change from 5 year average	-1.1%	-3.5%

- Overall Group 2 crime has reduced by 1.1% (10 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average.
- Solvency has reduced by 3.5% against the 5 year average.
- Rape has increased by 2.8% (5 more crimes) against the 5 year average. Solvency has increased by 2.4% to 57.6%.
- Sexual assaults have increased by 10.2% (29 more crimes) against the 5 year average, however have reduced by 12.0% (42 fewer crimes) when compared to LYTD. The 5 year average has been impacted by a significant decrease in offences committed in 2020.
- Indecent Communication Offences have reduced by 24.5% (21 fewer crimes) compared to the 5 year average.
- Lewd & Libidinous practices have increased by 28.5% (22 more crimes) against the 5 year average. These are non-recent offences, and the rise can be attributed to a number of investigations relating to historical abuse against children.



## SEXUAL OFFENCES

### DCI Adam Brown, Public Protection Unit (PPU):

*"Women's Safety in Public Places (WSPP) continues to be a priority and the Edinburgh PPU work closely internally with other policing departments and externally with partners to prevent offending and promote positive practice to deter harmful behaviours. The recent public consultation on WSPP highlighted that there are behaviours, both criminal and non-criminal, that impact the quality of life for women in public spaces, including public transport. PPU and Preventions, Interventions & Partnerships officers are represented at the WSPP Community Improvement Partnership which also includes representatives from the City of Edinburgh Council and transport companies such as Lothian Buses.*

*PPU are also supporting a review of Operation NightGuard, the policing of the night-time economy in Edinburgh City Centre. WSPP is prominent on the agenda. Plans are in the formative stage but will include proactive intervention in harmful and predatory behaviours that are recognised as contributing factors to sexual offending and violence against women and girls."*

### Case Against Kevin Hood:

Kevin Hood (34yrs) reported by the PPU in 2021 was recently sentenced at the High Court by Lord Arthurson to an extended sentence of 25 years after he was convicted of abduction, assault and rape to injury and endangerment of life. The custodial term was set at 15 years, which is a welcome outcome not only for the victim but the wider public. During the sentencing, Lord Arthurson went onto comment that "The crime libelled in the charge of abduction, assault and rape to injury and danger of life was one of the very worst crimes of this nature that I have required to deal with in my judicial career, and comprised the use of a knife, limb restraints and sexual torture in addition to the libelled multiple penetrative acts committed by you against your victim." The courage of the victim, supported by the effectiveness of the initial response from the attending officers and specialist PPU officers, has secured a lengthy period in prison for an extremely dangerous individual.







## Reducing Drug Harm and Targeting Supply

### Drug Supply crime includes:

- Manufacture or cultivation of drugs
- Supply of drugs to another (including intent)
- Bringing drugs into prison

	Drug Supply Recorded Crime	Drug Supply Solvency
		
April – December 2022	1910	94.5
April – December 5 year average	1827	92.0
% change from 5 year average	+4.5%	+2.5%

- Total drug crime has increased by 4.5% (83 more crimes) and solvency has increased by 2.5% to 94.5% against the 5 year average.
- Production, manufacture or cultivation of drugs has reduced by 35.7% (12 fewer crimes).
- Supply of drugs remains constant and solvency has reduced by 9.4% to 77.7% against the 5 year average. The reduction in solvency is largely due to the pending forensic analysis of controlled substances and electronic devices.
- Possession of drugs has increased by 5.7% (86 more crimes) and solvency has increased by 4.8% to 98.1% against the 5 year average. The increase in possession offences has driven the rise in overall drug crime, and is due to a high volume of crimes recorded at a dance event.
- Bringing drugs into prison has reduced by 63.0% (14 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average. This reduction is a consequence of reduced visitor numbers to the prison and improved prevention mechanisms.
- Partnership work with the National County Lines Co-ordination Centre continues, with the aim of reducing the opportunities for external Serious and Organised Crime Groups to supply controlled substances in Edinburgh, whilst also providing safeguards for exploited children.

## Targeting Supply



### COUNTY LINES

A focus to identify and target those involved in County Lines-linked Serious and Organised Crime within Edinburgh, resulted in the conviction of three men on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023 at Glasgow High Court. Michael Orguns, Harrison Kimpembe and Kalil Nuur, all from London, had previously pleaded guilty to drug supply offences in connection with £130,000 worth of heroin and crack cocaine recovered in Edinburgh between the 6<sup>th</sup> April and 6<sup>th</sup> October 2021.

Orguns was recognised by the court as being in control of the drug line and as the principal member of the group. He was sentenced to five years and three months imprisonment. Harrison Kimpembe was sentenced to five years, whilst Kalil Nuur was sentenced to three years and nine months.

#### Detective Sergeant David Wright:

*"We welcome the conviction of these three men and this significant recovery of controlled drugs. We are committed to identifying and disrupting the supply chains that bring drugs into Edinburgh and we worked closely with our colleagues in the Metropolitan Police to identify those involved. The County Lines model shows crime does not respect borders, and we continue to ensure we bring offenders such as Kimpembe, Orguns, and Nuur to justice, wherever they may be based. Intelligence is the lifeblood of investigations such as this. Communities should not have to tolerate the damage caused by drugs, and I urge anyone with information that can help us deal with those responsible to come forward."*







## Targeting Housebreaking and Acquisitive Crime

### Group 3 crime includes:

- Housebreaking
- Theft of / from motor vehicles
- Shoplifting
- Common theft
- Fraud

	Group 3 Recorded Crime	Group 3 Solvency
		
April – December 2022	11155	19.9%
April – December 5 year average	12699	24.9%
% change from 5 year average	-12.2%	-5.1%

- Acquisitive crime has reduced by 12.2% (1544 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average.
- Housebreaking, which includes domestic premises, businesses, sheds and garages, has reduced by 36.2% (599 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average.
- Domestic housebreaking has reduced by 35.3% (273 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average. Solvency has reduced by 4.6% to 23.6%.
- Motor vehicle crime has reduced by 7.2% (123 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average.
- Shoplifting has reduced by 9.8% (280 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average, whilst common theft has reduced by 1.9% (59 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average.
- Fraud has increased by 32.7% (382 more crimes) against the 5 year average, which is reflective of a wider national trend. A significant proportion of this is perpetrated via electronic means. Police Scotland and the Scottish Police Authority's joint strategy for the future of policing in Scotland, includes the commitment to develop a specific cyber strategy to transform Police Scotland's internal cyber capability and response. This enables the delivery of proactive support to individuals, communities and partners that embeds resilience and aligns to our wider preventative model.



### CASE STUDY

#### Case against Gordon Williamson

Throughout the latter part of 2021, Gordon Williamson committed a series of housebreakings to domestic dwellings in the Drylaw area of Edinburgh, as well as a business premise in Marchmont. Extensive enquiries were undertaken resulting in him being arrested and charged with a number of housebreakings, for which he subsequently pleaded guilty.

#### Detective Inspector Gordon Couper

*"Gordon Williamson is a career criminal who has persisted to offend throughout his adult life. He has an extensive list of previous convictions for acquisitive crimes, primarily targeting domestic and business premises. Edinburgh's Community Investigation Unit (CIU) targeted Williamson following a spree of housebreakings, and following a thorough inquiry, officers traced him along with three other associates. He was remanded into custody and pleaded guilty to six previous housebreakings resulting in a 13-month custodial sentence."*



*Edinburgh continues to see Housebreakings committed in order to target high value motor vehicles, which are thereafter used to commit further crimes or sold for financial gain. Organised teams of criminals are travelling across divisional boundaries, adding complexity to already challenging investigations.*

*Edinburgh CIU chair a daily meeting for the East Command during which trends, nominals and intelligence can be quickly and effectively shared. Keyless car theft by the use of sophisticated technology has also risen over recent months. This trend has been seen predominantly across the central belt, with Edinburgh having in excess of £800,000 of vehicles stolen since October through this method alone."*



## Group 4 crime includes:

- Culpable and reckless conduct
- Vandalism
- Fireraising

ASB Group Recorded Incidents	Group 4 Crime
	
April – December 2022	3,500
April – December 5 year average	3,906
% change from 5 year average	-10.4%

- Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) incidents have reduced by 20.3% (5753 fewer incidents). The 5 year average has been heavily influenced by a substantial increase in Covid-19 related calls recorded in 2020 and 2021.
- Group 4 crime has reduced by 10.4% (406 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average.
- Fireraising has increased by 17.9% (32 more crimes) against the 5 year average. This increase is the consequence of a significant reduction in recorded offences during the Covid-19 pandemic.
- Vandalism has reduced by 16.0% (544 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average.
- Public nuisance incidents have reduced by 29.3% (2340 fewer incidents) against LYTD, whilst noise complaints have reduced by 26.2% (1636 fewer incidents) against LYTD.

## Antisocial Behaviour in the South West



### CASE STUDY

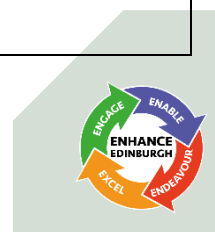
The South West Community Policing Team (CPT) were made aware of concerns raised by members of the Indian community in Stenhouse regarding several instances of antisocial behaviour (ASB) and vandalism to their properties committed by young people. Police and elected representatives attended a meeting with residents from the Indian Community at Carrickvale Community Centre. The residents cited several incidents from 2017-2022, where they perceived the motive to be a targeting of the Indian community.

A Community Impact Assessment was raised and further analytical work commissioned, which showed a number of reports of ASB in the local area that affected a wide range of members of the community. The issue was discussed with partners via the Community Improvement Partnership in order to ensure a multi-agency approach was adopted, resulting in a thorough plan being established, including:

- Providing support to the victims through our Partnerships, Interventions & Preventions department, and via partner agency referrals.
- Ongoing engagement with key stakeholders.
- Attending Community Council meetings to provide relevant updates.
- Use of analytical data to identify hotspots and key times for disorder.
- Increased police patrols to reassure the community and trace perpetrators.
- Employing diversionary tactics, sidestep programmes, and support from local youth providers.
- Support from CEC Family and Housing Support for further diversionary tactics, and also infrastructure improvement opportunities, such as street lighting and CCTV.
- Social Media messaging to raise awareness of hate crime and encourage reporting.



The result of this collaborative approach has been a reduction in reported ASB incidents within the community.

We have implemented plans with the Edinburgh Inter-Faith Association (EIFA) to run 'Faith Roadshows' at local primary and secondary schools, as well as at the Carrickvale Community centre for adults. We are also seeking to widen the number of third party reporting centres in the South West, to encourage confidence in reporting hate crime.



## Group 7 crime includes:

- Dangerous Driving
- Drink / Drug Driving
- Speeding
- Driving without a Licence
- Mobile phone offences
- Using a vehicle without an MOT certificate

	Group 7 Recorded Crime	Group 7 Solvency
		
April – December 2022	6916	80.1%
April – December 5 year average	6933	82.4%
% change from 5 year average	-0.2%	-2.3%

- Group 7 crime has reduced by 0.2% (17 fewer crimes) and solvency has reduced by 2.3% to 80.1% against the 5 year average.
- Dangerous driving offences have increased by 13.1% (25 more crimes) against the 5 year average.
- Driving without a licence offences have increased by 16.0% (67 more crimes) against the 5 year average.
- Driving without insurance offences have increased by 7.5% (85 more crimes) against the 5 year average. Increases in licence and insurance offences have been apparent in the last 3 years, since the distribution of mobile devices to officers, allowing them to check vehicles in higher numbers and without the need for radio transmissions.
- There have been 6 fatal collisions, which is an increase of 3 collisions against LYTD. These collisions continue to be investigated, with no single factor linking all of them. The Edinburgh Road Safety Partnership continues to work collaboratively in an effort to identify at an early stage opportunities to improve safety for all road users.
- There has been a decrease of 19.9% (27 fewer collisions) in serious injury collisions and a decrease of 11.3% (38 fewer collisions) in those resulting in slight injury.

## Roads Policing in Edinburgh



### QUOTE

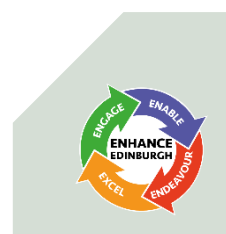
#### Inspector Roger Park, Roads Policing:




*“As part of the National Road Safety Calendar, Roads Policing have throughout Oct – Dec focused on speed enforcement, uninsured drivers and the drink/drug drive campaign, working closely with local policing and other partner agencies to carry out mobile and static checks. As we move into February and March, the focus will shift to mobile phone, vulnerable road users and speeding offences.*


*On 11<sup>th</sup> January a Roads Policing Officer on a motorcycle was struck by a vehicle after signalling for it to stop at Bathfield, Edinburgh. The car drove at two officers, with one managing to dive out of the way, before colliding with the police motorcycle, resulting in injuries to the officer.*




*An 18-year old male was later apprehended and charged with attempted murder.*

*We are incredibly thankful that none of the officers involved in this incident were seriously injured as a result of this individual’s unacceptable and dangerous actions. We in Roads Policing are grateful for both the outpouring of support from the public and the thorough investigation by our colleagues in Crime Management.”*



	All Domestic Abuse Incidents	Domestic Crimes	Domestic Abuse Solvency
			
April – December 2022	4084	2037	69.6%
April – December 5 year average	4327	2696	67.3%
% change from 5 year average	-5.6%	-24.4%	+3.3%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Domestic abuse incidents have reduced by 5.6% (243 fewer incidents) against the 5 year average.</li> <li>Domestic crimes have reduced by 24.4% (659 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average.</li> <li>Solvency has increased by 3.3% to 69.6% against the 5 year average.</li> <li>Domestic Bail offences have reduced by 23.6% (59 fewer crimes) against the 5 year average.</li> <li>Disclosure Scheme for Domestic Abuse Scotland (DSDAS) referrals have continued to increase on last year. The scheme provides means of sharing information about an abusive partner's past. Increased numbers of applications are being received by partner agencies demonstrating a greater awareness of the scheme and its key role in the provision of protection to those who may be at risk of domestic abuse.</li> </ul>			

Domestic Abuse	
 <b>UPDATE</b>	<p><b>DI Mhairi Cooper, Edinburgh Public Protection Unit:</b></p> <p>E Division's Domestic Abuse Investigation Unit (DAIU) continue to investigate reports of serious and protracted domestic abuse, whilst providing extensive safeguarding support to those survivors of domestic abuse. The DAIU enquiry team have recently brought a number of rape investigations to a conclusion and several more rape investigations have been instigated over the last reporting period.</p> <p>Whilst the number of domestic incidents have fallen by 5.6%, fewer domestic incidents are resulting in crimes being recorded by Police, with crime falling by 24.4%. There is no clear explanation for this, however given the daily scrutiny of domestic incidents by first line managers, local area commanders and specialist domestic abuse investigation units, both divisionally and at a national level, the risk of under-reporting is low. It should also be highlighted that extensive preventative activity is ongoing in the form of the Domestic Abuse Local Action Group (DALAG), which aims to address low risk and low threshold cases of domestic abuse, along with adopting a proactive approach to the delivery of the Disclosure Scheme for Domestic Abuse Scotland (DSDAS), scrutinising domestic incidents and liaising with partner agencies for opportunities to intervene in potentially abusive relationships.</p> <p>E Division took part in joint messaging with partner agencies during the international #16DaysOfActivism campaign to challenge violence against women and girls. An intensification period was initiated whereby additional resources were deployed to target men who had been reported to Police for domestic offences, resulting in a number of arrests and reports to the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal for a wide range of offences. Officers were also involved in an event exploring the history of the women's movement in Scotland, changes in the law and policing, and the future of equality, as well as organising additional training with our partners EDDACS and Bethany Trust.</p>

	Hate Incidents	Hate Crimes	Hate Crime Solvency
			
April – December 2022	980	742	56.3%
April – December 5 year average	961	925	60.1%
% change from 5 year average	+2.0%	-19.8%	-3.8%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hate crimes have reduced by 19.8% (183 fewer crimes), while hate incidents have increased by 2.0% (19 more incidents) compared to the 5 year average.</li> <li>Solvency for hate crime has reduced by 3.8% against the 5 year average to 56.3%.</li> <li>Racially aggravated crimes have reduced by 14.1% (82 fewer crimes) compared to LYTD, and crimes aggravated by sexual orientation have increased by 1.9% (3 more crimes) compared to LYTD.</li> </ul>			

## Keep Safe



### QUOTE

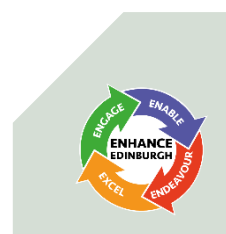
Keep Safe is a Police Scotland led, award winning initiative which began in response to feedback from the disabled community that there were times when people did not feel safe travelling independently. The initiative is a partnership between I Am Me and Police Scotland, and was originally developed to support people with disabilities to participate in their communities free from fear of harassment and abuse. The scheme is available for anyone to use if they feel lost, scared, vulnerable, or simply need some space.

PC Lynsay Claxton:

*"I have responsibility for the delivery of Keep Safe Training in Edinburgh. I am delighted to say we have over 40 premises throughout the city that are designated Keep Safe places. This provides a network of places where people can seek support if they require it, whether that be to tell someone they have been the victim of a crime or if they simply need some time out and a cup of tea. During the delivery of hate crime awareness sessions by the Preventions, Interventions & Partnerships team, the Keep Safe scheme and its role in supporting people living independently in our communities is discussed. We have recently delivered training to Lothian Buses, supermarkets, banks and museums amongst many others. We were also delighted to be invited to the Scottish Parliament to raise awareness of the scheme amongst MSPs and staff members.*

*During the training, staff are provided information on disability awareness, disability related hate crime and how to help someone who requires Keep Safe assistance. This is enhanced by using lived experiences, and we are extremely grateful to the people who provide their invaluable personal input during our training. All premises are provided with stickers to display in their windows and are listed on the Keep Safe app and on the I Am Me website.*

*We are committed to continually increasing the number of Keep Safe premises in Edinburgh to ensure support for people with disabilities to live independently in our communities and to raise awareness of disability related hate crime and instil confidence amongst people with disabilities to report hate crime and know how to seek support when it is needed."*



# Needs of Local Community

Success means the needs of the local communities are addressed through effective service delivery

## Preventative Approaches and Local Partnerships



### FOCUS ON SOUTH-WEST

#### **Week of Action – Westerhailes Park, Harvesters, Clovenstone and Westside Plaza**

The South West Community Policing Team (CPT) worked with partner agencies, including CEC, Places for People Housing, Prospect Housing, SFRS, plus local community and businesses during a 'week of action' between 17-21 October 2022. The purpose of the week was to make the area a safer, cleaner and attractive place to stay, work and visit.

Partner agencies were visible and engaged with local communities, carrying out litter picking, bulky refuse collections, stair cleaning, fire safety checks, removal of graffiti, repainting communal areas, etc. The week coincided with the school holiday, so a range of ages from the local community joined the partners to assist and get involved in cleaning up their local area.

In addition to this, police officers conducted high visibility uniformed patrols and joint patrols with partners, door stepping repeat victims for housing and ASB issues, conducting stair checks with SFRS, street to street vehicle checks, and speed enforcement checks. Further general foot patrols were conducted, including stop and searches being carried out, along with warrant enquires.

Police officers also set up a stall within the Westside Plaza advertising the 'Fearless' campaign, housing support, and leaflets on how to deal with and report ASB. Reassurance patrols were carried out around Wester Hailes Library following recent reports of increased ASB in the area.

#### **South West Road Safety**

The South West CPT and School Link Officers participated in several 'Bike Buses' to Juniper Green Primary School and George Watson's College, liaising with the organisers to discuss new routes and provide support by joining the cycle.

During December, Response Officers and CPT undertook a number of proactive Road Checks on the numerous arterial routes within the South West. On a couple of occasions these were conducted jointly with the Roads Policing Motorcycle Unit. Over 160 vehicles were stopped, with four people arrested for drink-driving and one for drug-driving. Four vehicles were seized under due to being uninsured, three stolen vehicles were recovered, and thirty-two Road Traffic and Misuse of Drugs Act offences were labelled against drivers and passengers.

CPT officers conducted several patrols outside the local schools following contact from residents, parents and the schools themselves. These are default taskings for officers, with our activities promoted on Twitter to maximise community awareness and reassure the public.

#### **Sighthill Park Working Group**

Sighthill Park Working Party Group was joined by new partner members from Council FAHS and 'Places For People' housing towards the end of 2022.

During October and November there were a number of incidents in the Sighthill Park area, followed by a seasonal lull during December. Due to the continued support from SFRS and Lifelong Learning, a commitment was made to run a 'Fireskills Course' at the end of March 2023, as they have proven to be highly effective at reducing fire-related ASB in other parts of the city. South West CPT will be supporting this course, and at this time 12 young people are being engaged with by SFRS and Lifelong Learning, from which 8 will be identified to take part on the course. The SFRS plan to run 4 courses across the year.





# Confidence in Policing

Success means public and communities are engaged, involved and have confidence in policing

Police Scotland is committed to a monthly User Satisfaction Survey. A change in process in January 2020 now sees a minimum of 123 surveys being conducted by an external consultancy every month within Edinburgh, to provide feedback on the public's interactions with the police. Participants are sent SMS messages containing a link to a survey, which they then complete.

Results from April - December 2022 are provided below:

	Appropriate Response	Adequately Updated	Overall Satisfaction
E Division	60.8%	47.3%	68.3%
Force	62.2%	47.1%	69.5%

Engagement and involvement are key aspects of policing, identifying local priorities, problem solving and ensuring our communities have confidence in policing. We work hard to use the findings of these surveys to identify areas for service delivery improvement.

## Community Engagement



### SPOTLIGHT ON PSYV

#### Police Scotland Youth Volunteers (PSYV)

The PSYV are groups of young people based across Scotland, supported by adult volunteers and led by a Police Constable. They volunteer at community and national events across Scotland.

The programme gives young people aged 10 – 18, an insight into policing in Scotland and inspires them to participate positively in their communities. PSYV in Scotland aims to:

- Promote a practical understanding of policing amongst all young people.
- Encourage the spirit of adventure and good citizenship.
- Support local policing priorities through volunteering.
- Give young people a chance to be heard.
- Inspire young people to participate positively in their communities.

During 2022 the Edinburgh PSYV assisted during the Edinburgh Fringe Festival, particularly at the Tattoo, where they assist audience members up the Royal Mile by wheelchair. They also provided support during the Men's Health 10k, and attended other national events such as the Open Golf Championship.

They receive fortnightly training, with inputs provided by officers and partner agencies, helping them develop new skills and present new ideas to tackle offending and support their communities.

Lately the Edinburgh PSYV have been supporting Holocaust Memorial Day (as pictured), by providing anti-hate crime information supplied by Fearless.org at Waverley Train Station. In addition, they have supported Fearless.org in disseminating information highlighting issues around County Lines. Volunteers have also attended Edinburgh High Schools to talk about volunteering opportunities within the police, either as members of PSYV or as a Special Constable.



# Positive Working Environment

Success means our people are supported through a positive working environment enabling them to serve the public

## Positive Working Environment

### Scottish Ambulance Service Direct Contact

Our colleagues at the Scottish Ambulance Service (SAS) are experiencing unprecedented levels of demand that have a significant impact upon their ability to respond timeously to emergency calls, or results in lengthy turnaround times at hospital.

The previous process of contacting the SAS via the Area Control Room caused delays with medical information being missed or not passed to the SAS, as the controller is not the best person to confirm the casualty's condition. Requests could be inaccurately triaged, leading to longer delays and increased risk to the casualty.

A pilot was recently undertaken in Q Division (Lanarkshire), where officers in attendance would contact the SAS direct from the scene on a dedicated number using their mobile devices. This process has now been rolled out nationally.

The national rollout of this process, which commenced on 20<sup>th</sup> February, aims to ensure that vital information is passed directly to the SAS in order to identify the appropriate medical response in a timeous manner. Officers can gain access to a call handler who is able to provide additional medical advice, and paramedics can in turn directly contact officers by mobile phone if required. Officers have a direct contact number for the SAS, allowing them to bypass the 999 operator.



### RECENT EVENTS

### PC Christopher Wilton



The Chief Constable's Bravery and Excellence Awards 2022 took place at Police Scotland Headquarters on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2023. The awards seek to illustrate the bravery and professionalism demonstrated by officers across Scotland.

PC Christopher Wilton won the award for Probationary Constable of the Year. He has served his probationary period in the North-West of Edinburgh, demonstrating time and again dedication and excellence in his work. When nominating PC Wilton, his line manager described him as follows:

*"Constable Wilton is an outstanding officer, whose enthusiasm for his role is infectious. A highly regarded and well liked individual, he receives positive feedback from others following incidents or events he is deployed to."*

*Christopher demonstrates Police Scotland's values in everything he does. He is hard working, manages an exceptionally high workload, generates his own work as well as allocated tasks, and supports and enthuses his colleagues. He is due to confirm in September 2022, but demonstrates a consistent level of performance that belies someone with such little service. He is an excellent candidate for probationer of the year."*





# Crime Statistics

During 2020/21 there were a variety of Covid-19 pandemic restrictions and lockdowns. It is recommended that the primary comparator to use as a baseline is a five-year average. Where this is not available, then a three-year average should be used. Where comparisons are made between 2020/21 and 2019/20 caution should be used when interpreting analytical results.

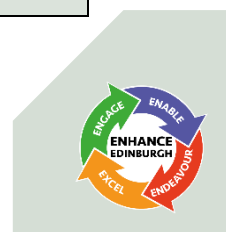
Overall Recorded Crime					
	21/22	22/23	% change from 21/22	5 year mean	% change from 5 year mean
Group 1-5	18,980	20,342	7.2	22,070.2	-7.8
Group 1-7	34,995	35,534	1.5	38,604.4	-8.0
Group 1	795	786	-1.1	710.8	10.6
Group 2	987	914	-7.4	924.0	-1.1
Group 3	10,107	11,155	10.4	12,699.4	-12.2
Group 4	3,539	3,500	-1.1	3,906.0	-10.4
Group 5	3,552	3,987	12.2	3,830.0	4.1
Group 6	9,014	8,276	-8.2	9,601.6	-13.8
Group 7	7,001	6,916	-1.2	6,932.6	-0.2

Overall Solvency Rates					
	21/22	22/23	% change from 21/22	5 year mean	% change from 5 year mean
Group 1-5	38.7	37.0	-1.7	38.6	-1.6
Group 1-7	53.6	51.2	-2.4	52.9	-1.8
Group 1	58.4	59.0	0.7	67.0	-7.9
Group 2	58.2	53.1	-5.1	56.6	-3.5
Group 3	20.6	19.9	-0.7	24.9	-5.1
Group 4	22.2	19.5	-2.7	20.1	-0.6
Group 5	96.7	92.3	-4.4	93.3	-1.1
Group 6	62.3	61.9	-0.5	64.6	-2.7
Group 7	82.9	80.1	-2.8	82.4	-2.3



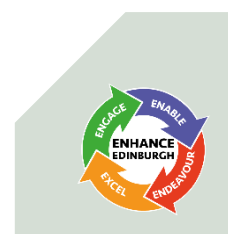
Group 1 – Non Sexual Crimes of Violence - Recorded					
	21/22	22/23	% change from 21/22	5 year mean	% change from 5 year mean
<b>Group 1 Total</b>	795	786	-1.1	710.8	10.6
Murder	1	5	400.0	3.0	66.7
Culpable Homicide	1	0	-100.0	3.0	-100.0
S1 Domestic Abuse	127	97	-23.6	x	x
Att Murder	10	21	110.0	16.8	25.0
Serious Assault	206	220	6.8	251.8	-12.6
Robbery	186	151	-18.8	193.0	-21.8

Group 1 – Non Sexual Crimes of Violence – Solvency					
	21/22	22/23	% change from 21/22	5 year mean	% change from 5 year mean
<b>Grp 1 Total</b>	58.4	59.0	0.7	67.0	-7.9
Murder	100.0	100.0	-	106.7	-6.7
Culpable Homicide	100.0	x	x	80.0	x
S1 Domestic Abuse	75.6	73.2	-2.4	x	x
Att Murder	130.0	95.2	-34.8	102.4	-7.1
Serious Assault	73.3	79.1	5.8	72.5	6.6
Robbery	65.1	68.9	3.8	69.6	-0.8



Group 2 – Sexual Crimes – Recorded					
	21/22	22/23	% change from 21/22	5 year mean	% change from 5 year mean
<b>Total Group 2</b>	987	914	-7.4	924.0	-1.1
Rape	173	170	-1.7	165.4	2.8
Sexual Assault	350	308	-12.0	279.4	10.2
Lewd & Libidinous	76	101	32.9	78.6	28.5
Indecent Communications	77	66	-14.3	87.4	-24.5
Threat/Disclose Intimate Image	49	41	-16.3	40.2	2.0

Group 2 – Sexual Crimes – Solvency					
	21/22	22/23	% change from 21/22	5 year mean	% change from 5 year mean
<b>Total Group 2</b>	58.2	53.1	-5.1	56.6	-3.5
Rape	68.2	57.6	-10.6	55.3	2.4
Sexual Assault	52.9	45.5	-7.4	44.0	1.5
Lewd & Libidinous	73.7	52.5	-21.2	71.5	-19.0
Indecent Communications	49.4	54.5	5.2	62.2	-7.7
Threat/Disclose Intimate Image	28.6	46.3	17.8	42.3	4.1



Group 3 – Acquisitive Crime - Recorded					
	21/22	22/23	% change from 21/22	5 year mean	% change from 5 year mean
<b>Total Group 3</b>	10,107	11,155	10.4	12,699.4	-12.2
Housebreaking Dwelling	524	501	-4.4	774.2	-35.3
Housebreaking Non-Dwelling	332	337	1.5	516.4	-34.7
Housebreaking other	242	220	-9.1	366.8	-40.0
<b>Total Housebreaking</b>	1,098	1,058	-3.6	1,657.4	-36.2
OLP Motor Vehicle	296	399	34.8	489.6	-18.5
Theft of Motor Vehicle	400	553	38.3	507.0	9.1
Theft from Motor Vehicle	480	504	5.0	601.2	-16.2
<b>Total Motor Vehicle</b>	1,245	1,577	26.7	1,699.6	-7.2
Theft Shoplifting	2,250	2,587	15.0	2,867.0	-9.8
Common Theft	2,427	3,146	29.6	3,205.4	-1.9



Group 3 – Acquisitive Crime – Solvency					
	21/22	22/23	% change from 21/22	5 year mean	% change from 5 year mean
<b>Total Group 3</b>	20.6	19.9	-0.7	24.9	-5.1
Housebreaking Dwelling	27.1	23.6	-3.5	28.2	-4.6
Housebreaking Non-Dwelling	5.7	3.0	-2.8	8.2	-5.3
Housebreaking other	38.0	35.5	-2.6	35.9	-0.4
<b>Total Housebreaking</b>	23.0	19.5	-3.6	23.7	-4.2
OLP Motor Vehicle	12.5	7.5	-5.0	7.9	-0.4
Theft of Motor Vehicle	26.8	19.0	-7.8	29.1	-10.1
Theft from Motor Vehicle	10.0	6.7	-3.3	8.5	-1.8
<b>Total Motor Vehicle</b>	16.2	11.3	-4.9	14.7	-3.4
Theft Shoplifting	37.1	40.2	3.1	49.3	-9.0
Common Theft	13.9	13.3	-0.6	14.7	-1.4



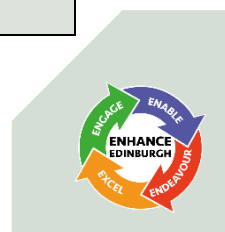
Group 4 – Fire-raising, Vandalism etc. - Recorded					
	21/22	22/23	% change from 21/22	5 year mean	% change from 5 year mean
<b>Total Group 4</b>	3,539	3,500	-1.1	3,906.0	-10.4
Fire-raising	178	213	19.7	180.6	17.9
Vandalism	2,937	2,848	-3.0	3,392.4	-16.0
Culpable & Reckless	408	427	4.7	321.2	32.9

Group 4 – Fire-raising, Vandalism etc. – Solvency					
	21/22	22/23	% change from 21/22	5 year mean	% change from 5 year mean
<b>Total Group 4</b>	22.2	19.5	-2.7	20.1	-0.6
Fire-raising	27.5	22.5	-5.0	20.9	1.6
Vandalism	20.5	18.3	-2.1	18.5	-0.2
Culpable & Reckless	33.1	26.5	-6.6	36.0	-9.5



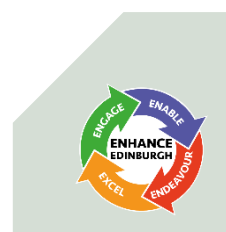
Group 5 – Other Crimes – Recorded					
	21/22	22/23	% change from 21/22	5 year mean	% change from 5 year mean
<b>Total Group 5</b>	3,552	3,987	12.2	3,830.0	4.1
Carry offensive weapon	102	94	-7.8	98.4	-4.5
Handling bladed/pointed weapon	210	247	17.6	184.8	33.7
Bladed/pointed used in other criminality	138	138	-	116.4	18.6
Total offensive weapon	610	687	12.6	549.4	25.0
Supply of drugs	233	310	33.0	310.8	-0.3
Possession of drugs	1,145	1,592	39.0	1,506.4	5.7

Group 5 – Other Crimes – Solvency					
	21/22	22/23	% change from 21/22	5 year mean	% change from 5 year mean
<b>Total Group 5</b>	96.7	92.3	-4.4	93.3	-1.1
Carry offensive weapon	80.4	80.9	0.5	88.2	-7.4
Handling bladed/pointed weapon	86.7	87.0	0.4	90.3	-3.2
Bladed/pointed used in other criminality	79.0	71.7	-7.2	76.3	-4.5
Total offensive weapon	80.3	78.5	-1.9	83.6	-5.1
Supply of drugs	82.0	77.7	-4.2	87.1	-9.4
Possession of drugs	104.1	98.1	-6.0	93.3	4.8



Group 6 Recorded Crime					
	21/22	22/23	% change from 21/22	5 year mean	% change from 5 year mean
<b>Total Grp 6</b>	9,014	8,276	-8.2	9,601.6	-13.8
Common assault	4,149	3,964	-4.5	4,265.4	-7.1
Common assault - emergency workers	491	459	-6.5	457.4	0.3
Total Common assault	4,640	4,423	-4.7	4,722.8	-6.3

Group 6 Solvency Rates					
	21/22	22/23	% change from 21/22	5 year mean	% change from 5 year mean
<b>Total Grp 6</b>	62.3	61.9	-0.5	64.6	-2.7
Common assault	52.4	53.5	1.1	53.2	0.3
Common assault - emergency workers	97.1	97.8	0.7	96.7	1.1
Total Common assault	57.1	58.1	1.0	57.4	0.7





Group 7 – Offences Related to motor Vehicles					
	21/22	22/23	% change from 21/22	5 year mean	% change from 5 year mean
Total Group 7	7,001	6,916	-1.2	6,932.6	-0.2
Dangerous Driving	231	220	-4.8	194.6	13.1
Drink / Drug Driving	361	389	7.8	316.8	22.8
Speeding Offences	449	317	-29.4	460.6	-31.2
Driving whilst Disqualified	94	82	-12.8	110.0	-25.5
Driving without a Licence	495	488	-1.4	420.8	16.0
Insurance Offences	1,111	1,208	8.7	1,123.4	7.5
Seat Belt Offences	168	110	-34.5	176.2	-37.6
Mobile Phone Offences	118	277	134.7	239.0	15.9
Driving Carelessly	745	562	-24.6	555.6	1.2
Using a MV without MOT	983	774	-21.3	911.8	-15.1



Police Scotland's Quarter 2 Performance Report for the Scottish Police Authority can be found [here](#). At the time of writing, the Quarter 3 Performance Report has not yet been published, but will be available to view [here](#) once done so.

Police Scotland quarterly performance statistics by council and policing division are available [here](#). If reviewing Divisional figures, Edinburgh's performance data can be found on the 'Data Div6' tabs. If reviewing Council figures, Edinburgh's performance data can be found on the 'Data CA (12)' tabs.

Recorded and detected crime data at MMW level, Road Traffic Collision (RTC) data (casualties and circumstances), and Stop/Search data can be found at the links below:

<https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/how-we-do-it/road-traffic-collision-data/>

<https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/how-we-do-it/crime-data/>

<https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/how-we-do-it/stop-and-search/data-publication/>

The data found via these links is the raw data covering RTCs, Crime and Stop/Search across Scotland. This raw data does not provide easily read statistics, but can be filtered accordingly in order to provide said information.

Should you desire any information that is not detailed on our website, you may submit an access to information request by following the instructions provided [here](#)

