

Culture and Communities Committee

10:00am, Tuesday, 10 September 2019

Police Partnership Performance and Activity Report: 1 April 2019 to 30 June 2019

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1. Recommendations

- 1.1 The Culture and Communities Committee is recommended to note the detailed qualitative and quantitative progress report from the Edinburgh Divisional Commander for Police Scotland attached at Appendix 1 covering the Period 1 April – 30 June 2019.

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2. Executive Summary

- 2.1 In July 2019 the Culture and Communities Committee agreed a refreshed Partnership Agreement between the City of Edinburgh Council and the Edinburgh Division of Police Scotland in respect of community policing. They requested a detailed qualitative and quantitative progress report from the Edinburgh Divisional Commander for Police Scotland, or their designated deputy, on a quarterly basis. The Performance and Activity report provided by Police Scotland covering the period from 1 April to 30 June 2019 is at Appendix 1.

3. Background

- 3.1 Since 2003, the Council has provided funding to support community policing activities, in both local neighbourhoods and city centre, and through targeted interventions undertaken to detect and disrupt anti-social behaviour and issues associated with community safety. The Council formalised the arrangement to support community policing through a Service Level Agreement with Police Scotland.
- 3.2 For 2019/20, £2.08 million revenue funding has been provided to Police Scotland by the Council to resource the following:
- 3.2.1 35 “named” Community Police Officers (Police Constable rank) working within local communities, based within wards and the city centre to manage specific issues such as those concentrated around the night time economy, business community and tourism. The Community officers support community engagement activities.
 - 3.2.2 8 Family and Household Support Officers (Police Constable rank), based within localities, whose role is to share information daily and support Council Family and Household Support teams in activity within the locality.
 - 3.2.3 One Youth Justice Officer (Police Sergeant rank) responsible for coordinating Police Scotland activity around the development of Youth

Services in line with Council policies and liaison with Youth Justice services within the Council.

- 3.3 The current Partnership Agreement provides a reporting framework to monitor activities carried out by these additionally funded officers and the Youth Justice Police Sergeant and supports transparency and accountability for the funding awarded.

4. Main report

- 4.1 In July 2019 the Culture and Communities Committee agreed a refreshed Partnership Agreement between the City of Edinburgh Council and the Edinburgh Division of Police Scotland in respect of community policing.
- 4.2 A detailed qualitative and quantitative progress report from the Edinburgh Divisional Commander for Police Scotland, or their designated deputy, was requested on a quarterly basis.
- 4.3 The Performance and Activity report provided by Police Scotland covering the period from 1 April to 30 June 2019 is at Appendix 1. It has been written by Police Scotland with additional information provided by the City of Edinburgh Council's Family and Household Support Service.

5. Next Steps

- 5.1 Over the period 2019/20 the success of the additional Community Policing services provided through the Edinburgh Division of Police Scotland will be measured and assessed through a range of qualitative and quantitative measures contained within the agreement, which will be reported to Committee on a quarterly basis. These may be varied or supplemented during the term of the partnership, by mutual agreement between the parties.
- 5.2 Whilst it is recognised that the Community Policing resource delivered through this partnership agreement contributes to reducing crime and the fear of crime, as well as antisocial behaviour, there is not always a direct correlation, because other Police resources, both locally and nationally, also contribute to such reductions, as do Council services and other partner agencies.

6. Financial impact

- 6.1 The funding provided to Police Scotland by the City of Edinburgh Council was reduced in 2019 from £2.6m to £2.02m, a decision ratified by Council committee in July 2019.

7. Stakeholder/Community Impact

- 7.1 There has been no consultation with elected members with regards the preparation of this report.
- 7.2 The City of Edinburgh Council and the Edinburgh Division of Police Scotland continue to review current methods to improve our collective ability to detect, respond, disrupt and divert individuals and groups away from anti-social and offending behaviour that serves to damage community cohesion and increase fear of crime and disorder.
- 7.3 The use of current, up to date intelligence, targeted tactical deployment and responsive, preventative approaches will serve to increase public confidence and help tackle the root causes of such behaviours.

8. Background reading/external references

- 8.1 There is no background reading or external references for this report.

9. Appendices

- 9.1 Appendix 1 - Police Partnership Performance Activity Report: 1 April 2019 to 30 June 2019



CITY OF EDINBURGH DIVISION

PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT: FUNDED OFFICERS: PERFORMANCE AND ACTIVITY REPORT

Time Period: 1st April 2019 to 30th June 2019

Governance: Culture and Communities Committee

This report outlines the performance and activity of the City of Edinburgh Council funded community officers who fall within the auspices of the Partnership Agreement between Police Scotland and City of Edinburgh Council.

The narrative outlines the activity of:

- 35 Ward officers deployed across 4 Localities within the City;
- 8 officers who work in conjunction with the Family and Household Support Teams;

And

- 1 Youth Justice Sergeant.

As an addition, Appendix A highlights the range of community policing activity and reactive work undertaken by the officer complement.

NB. It should be noted that the 4 Area Commanders also provide local updates to their 4 Locality Committees, further supplemented by verbal updates outlining bespoke work and engagement activity carried out by the funded officers within their area.

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SECTION 1

ACTIVITY AND PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW

| Key Performance Indicator | Activity Measured | Data |
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| Current Vacancy Level | | Zero |
| Compensatory Abstractions | Number of days where officers are abstracted from role/locality i.e. for non-funded duties: i.e. Public Order, firearms | North East: 11 days (3.2% of available shifts) North West: 15 days (2.6% of available shifts) South East: 13 days (2.3% of available shifts) South West: 12 days (2.5% of available shifts) Compensatory Work (carried out by non-funded officers in localities) North East: DVRU – 14 days North West: Op Orbit – 8 days CPTF – 14 days South East: Op Orbit – 6 days CPTF – 14 days South West: DVRU – 20 days Op Orbit – 15 days |
| Routine abstractions | i.e., rest days, absence, mandatory training, and major incidents. | 284 days (14.4% of available shifts) |
| Engagement activities with communities and educational establishments | Activities within communities including community council meetings, community surgeries, events and social media messages. | Council meetings: 101 Community Surgeries: 86 Community Events: 22 Social Media Messages: 207 Tweets and Facebook posts across the division. |
| Level of recorded antisocial Behaviour Incidents recorded by Police Scotland | Incidents recorded by Police Scotland | This year to date: 9751 Last Year to date: 10059 Reduction of 3.1% |
| Level of recorded antisocial behaviour complaints recorded by Local Authority | Per 10,000 of population | This year: Last Year: Reduction of % |
| Number of repeat antisocial behaviour complaints to be provided by local authority | Recorded by Local authority | |
| Number of intervention visits | i.e. ASB, FHS etc. | Hate crime: 283 Acquisitive crime: 579 Antisocial Behaviour: 847 Total: 1709 |
| Licensed Premises Monitoring | Recorded Licensed Premises Visits | Total Innkeeper Entries: 377 |
| Road Safety Key focus on monitoring and activity around 20mph zones and local road safety Issues of concern | 1. Number of Road safety operations carried out 2. Number of warning issued 3. Number of speeding tickets issued | 1. 111 2. 267 3. 23 |

SECTION 2: OVERVIEW OF FAHST OFFICER WORK

Day of Action

Following a number of incidents resulting in neighbour disputes in a small residential cul-de-sac, partners agreed to organise a day of action. The Family and Household Support service took a lead in coordinating the event. The event was held in July 2019 and deemed a great success, bringing members of the community together, fostering community spirit and demonstrating the positive impact of partnership working and the spirit of collaboration. The majority of the tenants joined in and engaging with services, and importantly with each other. Partners involved included: Family and Household Support, Police Scotland, the Council's Environmental Wardens, Housing and Change works. Together with police we have already seen a measurable reduction in the number of complaints received.

Case Example

Two families living with young children complained about their adjoining neighbours, an elderly couple. The two families stated the elderly couple were behaving in a threatening and intimidating way i.e. putting their fists up at the younger children, staring at the children from the house and causing damage, cutting down neighbours' plants, poking bits of wood through their garden fence and being aggressive towards the children. The elderly couple who do not keep in good physical health were very upset and believed they were being targeted, resulting in counter complaints being made.

Due to the poor health of the elderly couple they declined the offer to meet with their neighbours. A professional meeting was called, and it was agreed that one FAHS Police Officer and a Senior Support Worker would undertake shuttle mediation which involved visiting both households on a weekly basis over a two-month period, listening to their concerns, challenging perceptions and understanding perspectives. The use of non-direct mediation has enabled meaningful communication to be established between the households by using a restorative approach, improving the relationships between the households and allowing an opportunity for reconciliation.

Case Example 2

Reduction in the number of noise complaints made by residents with regards a particular council property.

Concerns were being raised by residents in relation to daily and nightly domestic disturbances which were impacting on their quality of life, from a single property in their building. A joint visit was arranged between the Support Worker and FHAS Police officer, in order to meet with the tenant and discuss the complaints.

The initial assessment undertaken by the officers revealed the tenant (alleged perpetrator of the noise) was the victim of ongoing harassment and domestic abuse from an ex-partner. Through the advice, guidance and support offered the tenant was relocated to another property where she felt safe and was supported to integrate in to a new home and community. The tenant was supported by the service to attend court and participate throughout the legal process in the case against her ex-partner. Despite the impact on her confidence and self-esteem, with support the tenant has managed to gain employment and her health and well-being has also improved.



SECTION 3 OVERVIEW OF YOUTH JUSTICE SERGEANT ROLE

Weekly Pre Referral Screening (PRS) Meetings

A Youth Offending meeting is convened on a weekly basis, which covers all matters, with the exception of serious incidents, which fall under the umbrella of the Lord Advocates Guidelines in relation to joint reporting (i.e. indictable cases) and those individuals who are either on Supervision Orders or are subject of Open Referrals. Attendance comprises Police, Social Work, Health and Education, with the meeting focused on prevention i.e., diverting youth offenders from prosecution and ensuring early and effective Interventions.

PRS Steering Group Meeting

This meeting forms part of the Pre Referral Screening governance framework, and resonant with Pre Referral Screening Meetings, this meeting is focused on strategy and direction, which includes developing process and practice i.e., streamlining etc. The Youth Justice Sergeant Chairs the Pre Referral Screening Group (PRS) meeting.

Weekly Risk Management Meetings

Held on a weekly basis, these meetings discuss individuals who are involved in serious offending or display sexually harmful / extreme risk taking behaviours or a combination of same. The membership comprises core agencies i.e., Police, Social Work, Health and other relevant agencies on a case by case basis i.e., Education, commissioned services working with the young person etc.

Offender Management Sub Committees – Education and Offender Management Committee Sexual Group

Focused on prevention, this multi-agency Group, which includes the Youth Justice Sergeant and the Third Sector, seeks to develop approaches with the intention of educating young people in relation to the threat, risk, harm and consequences of engaging in sexually harmful behaviour. By way of example, activities range from the sharing of images to the highest tariff of offending e.g., Rape, with the membership seeking to target individuals aged between 11 – 16 years or those aged up to 18 years who are still in education.

Targeted School Engagement Activities – ‘Sexting’

Again focused on prevention, the Youth Justice Sergeant has pro-actively delivered facilitated inputs, outlining the dangers of ‘sexting’ and ‘sextortion’, at Local Authority High Schools across the city.

More specifically, ‘sexting’ relates to the sharing of indecent and inappropriate images, whilst ‘sextortion’ occurs in circumstances where criminals, utilising fake identities, befriend victims online, persuading them to engage in activity shared via webcam, victims may thereafter be coerced / threatened to undertake further activity, or indeed, provide financial payments to avoid the footage being shared.

These awareness raising events seek to educate students, incorporating investigative methodologies and consequences, within the context of the criminal justice system, and as widely publicised within the media, more tragic outcomes. With the intention of addressing established behaviours, and involvement as a consequence of curiosity, the inputs also provide relevant signposting to agencies such as Stop it Now, Barnardos, Rape Crisis, Women’s Aid etc.

With regards to the collective audience to date, the Youth Justice Sergeant, has delivered inputs to over 34,000 High School students, with the scope having been widened to include parents’ evenings, CEC staff, other agencies involved in working with young people and sporting organisations i.e. Heart of Midlothian and Hibernian Football Teams and Scottish Rugby. That said, with the inputs scheduled to continue, the audience base will only increase over time.

Given the profile of the Youth Justice Sergeant, the post holder is regularly contacted as a single point of contact should schools, agencies, or indeed, parents, have concerns around a young person’s online behaviour / potential exploitation etc.

Early & Effective Intervention – One to One Engagement

Focused on reducing offending / re-offending, the Youth Justice Sergeant routinely personally engages with high tariff offenders, whether that be within a family home, secure accommodation / young person units, as appropriate.

Should the young person agree to engage, the post holder thereafter seeks to establish a rapport, and in so doing, understand the drivers / triggers, and conversely, safeguards and strategies to mitigate / prevent offending i.e. support, diversion etc.

As a consequence of which, the Youth Justice Sergeant is routinely asked to attend Child Planning Meetings.

Engagement with Young Offenders - Polmont Young Offender Institution (PYOI)

With the intention of reducing recidivism, the Youth Justice Sergeant is involved in a programme of engagement / intervention with young people within PYOI's population, specifically targeting those involved in Serious and Organised Crime.

Centre for Youth and Criminal Justice (CYCJ)

The Youth Justice Sergeant represents Edinburgh within National fora, including the Early and Effective Intervention and Diversion from Prosecution meetings, with these groups focused on developing current practices across Edinburgh and Scotland.

Engagement within Custody Settings- Liaison with Sheriff Court Cells and St Leonards Custody Suite

Seeking to provide support, signpost and thereby decrease recidivism, the Youth Justice Sergeant regularly engages with youth people held within Police and Court custody settings.

Edinburgh's Community Safety Strategy

At the request of City of Edinburgh Council, the Youth Justice Sergeant is now participating in multi-agency workshops to develop the next iteration of Edinburgh's Community Safety Strategy.

General Overview of meetings attended

- Youth Justice Strategy Meeting and PRS Steering Group;
- Stronger North monthly meetings focused on improving the North of Edinburgh through a collaborative multi-agency approach;
- Routine attendance at shift briefings to discuss youth issues, including emerging trends / key nominals and best practice in relation to engagement with young people who offend;
- Police / YPC Residential meeting convened bi-monthly;
- Regular attendance at Children's Hearings;
- Divisional Tactical Missing Person Meetings;
- Divisional Violence and Acquisitive Crime forums;
- General Liaison with police supervisors and senior managers with regards to emerging concerns / trends.

North West

Edinburgh Police North West @EdinPolNW · May 30
PC Walton found some new recruits @twinklbridge in family day on Saturday. These two look like they'll make a fine, crime fighting pair in a few years! Well done to the School and the @twinklbridge for organising another great community event. #communityengagement #twinklbridge



Edinburgh Police North West @EdinPolNW · Jun 10
Great to be part of the opening of the Gateacre Community Hub today. Fantastic effort by all involved to get it up and running with the support of @edinburghcc and @Edinburgh_c. We look forward to supporting the Hub going forward. #communityengagement #gateacre #hub



Edinburgh Police North West @EdinPolNW · Jun 17
We recently welcomed the kids from Rosebury Playgroup down to South Queensferry Police Station. They were a pleasure to have and some Future Police Officers in the making. #communityengagement #thefutureofpolice



Edinburgh Police North West @EdinPolNW · Jul 2
Thanks for inviting us down to the open day at Haves Pier. It's always great to work with @NSQQueensferry, @fire_south @scotlandseasw @southqueensferry #hobbiesandhobbies #hobbiesandhobbies



Edinburgh Police North West @EdinPolNW · Jun 2
Thanks to @WardiePS for having us at your Summer Fair yesterday. Guest appearance by PC Chewbacca.



Edinburgh Police North West @EdinPolNW · Jun 27
Delighted tourist thanks police as she is reunited with her pride and joy after her stolen motorcycle was recovered by local officers @ZWeirdEdinburg #LadyTink was stolen #LangtonTerrace 2nd June, enquiry ongoing, phone 101 with any info #CPolice



Edinburgh Police North West @EdinPolNW · Jul 5
In response to information from local residents we were out on the B800 with our speed gun. Turns out you were right, several tickets issued and drivers warned. Keep the information coming either through your local community team or anonymously through @Crimestop001



Edinburgh Police North West @EdinPolNW · Jun 11
Thanks to @KoolCowanPS for hosting us at the family fun day. It was good of PC Aler to swap handcuffs with PC Payne. #westofthetown #police #koolchad #koolgear/hates



Edinburgh Police North West @EdinPolNW · Aug 3
New recruits Michelle and Christian helping us out at Murhouse Gala today. Tag us in any photos you took with us today! #murhousegala



Edinburgh Police North West @EdinPolNW · Jun 17
Given our competing priorities we've enlisted the support of the local Beaver's to ensure our road network is kept safe. Here they are monitoring vehicle speeds on Craig Road.



South East



South West

Edinburgh Police South West @EdinPolSW - Jul 11
Ward 3 Funded Officer PC Murdoch will be in attendance at the Balerno Farmers Market on Saturday 12th July. Come along and support local businesses and stop him for a chat about any community issues you wish to raise! @BalernoF #EdinburghPolice #CommunityPolicing



Edinburgh Police South West @EdinPolSW - Jun 28
Local community officers carrying out patrols at the Green Canal near to Clapham Primary School this morning.
Guidance for cyclists using the canal can be found here: www.edinburgh.gov.uk/traffic/cycling/



Edinburgh Police South West @EdinPolSW - Jun 18
Today's stall is up in @Balerno @Scottish. Drop in and find out more. #CommunityPolicing #CommunityAlcoholPartnership



Edinburgh Police South West @EdinPolSW - Jun 18
Lots of positive engagements and partnership working today to try to reduce underage, anti social and irresponsible drinking. #CommunityAlcoholPartnership



Edinburgh Police South West @EdinPolSW - Jul 22
Two of our Special Constables joined us this weekend for foot patrols in South West.
#EdinburghPolice #CommunityPolicing



judithproctorCO @judithproctorCO - Jun 11
@EdinburghRCP Periland Cluster - community engagement on launch of Herbert Protocol - info sharing on keeping self & others safe



Edinburgh Police South West @EdinPolSW - Jul 25
PC Murdoch (the real one!) was congratulated as he caught Mulla (and his Sergeant in the background!) up in mischief outside St Mary's Cathedral in Edinburgh! #EdinburghPolice #CommunityAlcoholPartnership #Edinburgh



Edinburgh Police @EdinburghPolice - Jul 19
Edinburgh's partnership team were delivering safe Line and cycle safety advice to young people alongside the Big Heart's Foundation this week.



Edinburgh Police South West @EdinPolSW - Jul 17
Today marks the launch of the Edinburgh Alcohol awareness week. Officers from your local Community team and partners will be out this week issuing warnings of alcohol and the dangers it can cause.
@EdinburghPolice @EdinburghPolice #EdinburghPolice #EdinburghPolice



Edinburgh Police South West @EdinPolSW - Jun 21
South West Community Officers are helping out @ScottishRuralCrime on the Scottish Partnership Against Rural Crime stand. Come and see the #SARC stand that's here to remind us about #FlyTipping and #RuralCrime.



Edinburgh Police South West @EdinPolSW - Jul 12
SW community officers were out conducting speed checks on Riccarton Mains Road. #Come this morning following complaints from local residents. #EdinburghPolice #Edinburgh



Edinburgh Police South West @EdinPolSW - Jul 26
This is NOT WILD CAMPHUS
Sadly this night is becoming all too familiar in the #Edinburgh. This is not 'Leave No Trace'.
Please Report this and follow the Scottish Outdoor Access Code (www.outdooraccess.scot/)
#EdinburghPolice #EdinburghPolice #EdinburghPolice



Edinburgh Police South West @EdinPolSW - Jul 27
South West Community officers dropped in at the @CaldersideEvents Annual Day this afternoon.
Great fun had by all despite the weather.
#CommunityPolicing



APPENDIX A:

Qualitative snapshot of reported activities (by way of reference this accounts for approximately 5% of all funded officer recorded activity)

Ward 1 – Almond

- Following youth ASB issues, patrols have been conducted in Davidson Mains, Lauriston Castle and the Cammo Estate. Further supplemented by partnerships visits to the addresses of individuals known to have been involved. This activity has not only reduced the volume of youth-related ASB in these areas but has also led to drug and alcohol seizures. These positive outcomes have been shared at local fora, including the Community Council Meeting and Almond Community safety Forum.
- In partnership with CEC and local primary schools an officer organised a Blew Light Disco for P7 students with 87 youths thereafter attending the event.
- Following reports of youth ASB, officers conducted reassurance visits and high visibility patrols at retail premises across the ward area and more specifically, Davidson Mains and Queensferry. With regards to outcome, suspects were identified for repeat ASB issues at Tesco, Davidson Mains.
- On 4th June 2019, officers attended the Queensferry Dementia Friendly Shindig Event. The event was attended by 40 local residents and carers, and in addition to providing engagement and reassurance opportunities, officers also raised awareness around the recently launched Herbert Protocol.
- On 8th June 2019, officers attended the Kirkliston Gala day event, with attendance having totalled approximately 1500 participants.
- On 13th June 2019, officers attended a Networking Forum at Queensferry High School, this evening event incorporated presentations and involvement from youths, parents and teachers.
- Officers attended the opening of the Gateside Estate Community Hub in Kirkliston with attendees having included the Lord Provost, Councillors and representatives from resident groups.
- Community officers assisted the Fire Service with a 'Biker Down' event, held at the RNLI station at Hawes Pier, South Queensferry.
- Officers delivered drugs talks to P7 children at Davidson Mains Primary School.
- Provenanced by recent ASB related complaints, reassurance visits have been undertaken at Costa Coffee and Tesco at Cramond Road South, Edinburgh, with this have provided officers with an opportunity to engage and discuss concerns with management at both locations.
- Officers undertook proactive visits licensed premises within South Queensferry.
- A 'Coffee with a Cop' event has been held at Roseberry Halls, with this open forum format, allowing for the local community to attend and meet and discuss local issues with their local community officer.
- Community officers attended Drum Brae and Clermiston Gala day events. Officers resourced a police information stall, supporting personal engagement with children and parents, with children having the opportunity to sit in a police vehicle.
- Seeking to raise awareness around alcohol offences, and more specifically, buying alcohol for under 18s, community officers utilised a stencil obtained from the Community Alcohol Partnership (CAP) outside shops within the Scotstoun area.

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Ward 2 – Pentland Hills

- As part of the Community Alcohol Partnership (CAP), various licensed retailers located within Ward 2 were visited and provided with CAP packs, which included best practice in relation to individuals purchasing alcohol.
- A revamp of the 'Coffee with a Cop' surgeries is proving success, with surgeries scheduled on a monthly basis in Currie, Juniper Green and Wester Hailes. It's noteworthy, that local councillors will be co-locating / attending alongside officers.
- The ward 2 officers now attend the monthly Balerno Farmers Market, this visible presence has been well received.
- In response to concerns from members of the public in relation to youths loitering in the area causing minor ASB, officers initiated patrols in the environs of Wester Hailes plaza. Local security guards have also been spoken to, with assurances that they will heighten their patrols.
- Officers have been patrolling footpaths, with advice being given to farmers with regards to individuals walking through crops in the Currie and Balerno areas. Police have also issued official posters to seek to address the issues via education.
- Following incidents of persons having been pushed into the Union Canal in Wester Hailes, Ward 2 officers completed cycle patrols of the canal at peak times with the intention of reassuring the public and preventing recurrence.
- Using their knowledge of the local area, Community officers assisted in tracing a lost mountain biker within the Pentland Hills. Thankfully the biker was traced uninjured.
- As part of Operation Harefield, patrols have been conducted within the Pentland Hills area, with the intention of educating members of the public on Rural Crime. Providing a high visibility presence these patrols also addressed potential ASB in the locality, as a consequence of youths congregating, drinking / camping etc.
- Ward 2 officers attended the Balerno and Ratho Gala days for the purposes of promoting community engagement.
- Joint patrols were arranged with road policing officers, with allowing for speed checks at various locations within the Ward 2 area. With regards to outcome, this proactivity resulted in 2 Conditional Offers (tickets) being issued and 3 drivers being warned regarding their speed.
- Between April and June, a total of **113** tweets showcased the work of the community officers within the South West, with pictures having been included within the majority.

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Ward 3 – Drumbrae / Gyle

- High visibility patrols were conducted at Lauriston Castle and Maplewood Park. With regards to outcome, this resulted in youths being dispersed from the area, alcohol seizures, and in some instances, children being returned home by police and warned in the presence of their parents.
- High visibility patrols were completed at the rear of Drum Brae Hub and Clermiston Park, again this facilitated the dispersal of youths from the area and alcohol seizures.
- Several complaints were received regarding speeding on Drum Brae Drive, Edinburgh with specific reference to 'Boy Racers' racing on the Drive. Further enquiry is ongoing to seek to trace the drivers, with patrolling at key times.
- A community officer chaired an 'Easter Holidays ASB meeting' with the meeting attended by the CEC FAHS Area Manager and Team Leader, in addition to, the Police Community Inspector and Sergeant. Plans were created and implemented to mitigate the risk of ASB during school holidays.
- An officer attended a meeting with CEC FAHS worker, CEC Solicitor and two clients, to discuss an ongoing ASBO application to seek to address a complex and impactful neighbourhood issue.
- Ward Officers undertook an Internet Safety Surgery aimed at parents/grandparents and guardians.
- Officers attended the Gylemuir, Clermiston and Fox Covert's Primary School Summer Fairs, the Davidson Mains Gala Day and St Margaret's Park Fun Day.
- On 30th June 2019, Ward Officers attended the Great Scottish Walk and Run Festival held at the waterfront near to Marine Drive, Edinburgh. The officers set up a stall giving children the opportunity to try on Police uniform and sit within our vehicles.
- Seeking to address ongoing parking issues, officers working with Junior Road Safety Officers, conducted a number of patrols at Clermiston Primary School.
- Ward officers worked with Road Policing to run a joint initiative in the South Queensferry area, on the A90/M90 and also Cramond Brig. As a consequence of which, 5 tickets were issued, a driver was charged with having no valid insurance, another was arrested for drink driving, with a stolen vehicle also having been traced, with the occupants arrested and charged.
- A meeting was held with CEC Lifelong Learning Officer and the Drumbrae Hub Manager with regards to future youth events, including a Blew Light Disco. The first event will be arranged with the assistance of CAP funding.
- Officers conducted joint patrols with DVLA, as a consequence of which 8 vehicles were clamped and 2 vehicle owners were fined for non-payment of tax.
- Officers delivered a 'Cycling and the Law' input as part of Corstorphine Summer Fair Week.

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Ward 4 – Forth

- Officers conducted preventative patrols throughout Forth area in relation to house breaking, both in respect of dwelling houses, sheds and garages.
- Patrols have been completed in Pennywell Road / Muirhouse Shopping Centre / Ferry Road Drive areas in response to concerns over ASB and youth issues.
- Following a racially motivated dispute, an officer carried out regular reassurance visits / patrols in Crewe Road Gardens.
- A community officer organised a multiagency meeting to agree an action plan for the implementation of the Community Alcohol Partnership within the Drylaw area. The meeting was attended by youth groups, alcohol retailers, council licensing officers and Police.
- Officers attended at Granton Parish Church for a networking Community Lunch. This was organised by the Minister to unite local agencies / workers and facilitate / heighten community engagement.
- In response to concerns around youth related ASB, officers completed frequent patrols in Pennywell Road / Muirhouse Shopping Centre / Ferry Road Drive areas.
- A drop-in surgery was held at Granton Library to allow the community to engage with Police and raise any local issues.
- Community officers arranged a crime prevention surgery at Elizabeth Maginnis Court (a supported housing complex for elderly residents and those with learning difficulties).
- Community officers attended at the Stockbridge Summer Solstice Event street party.
- Officers attended Bangholm Grove Street party for local residents and engaged with children, which included photo opportunities and tours of Police vans.
- An officer attended various AGMs e.g., East Pilton Farm estate, Ferry Field Residents Association and the Caithness Place Residents Association, providing updates on Neighbourhood Watch and local crime trends / security advice.
- As a consequence of a child having been struck by a car, which thereafter failed to stop, officers completed high visibility / reassurance patrols outside Wardie primary School. It's noteworthy that the vehicle was traced and the driver charged.
- Promoting community engagement, officers formed part of the judging panel at 'Granton's Got Talent' event held at Granton Primary School.

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Ward 5 – Inverleith

- Officers conducted reassurance patrols in relation to bogus callers and in so doing, discovered a Fraud which had not previously been reported.
- In response to unreported thefts, officers conducted frequent preventative patrols within Craigleith Retail Park. This was enhanced further by officers meeting with security staff.
- Officers delivered a talk on community and personal safety to two separate elderly groups.
- Along with the CEC, community officers attended the opening of a sensory garden for local nursery children, thereafter participating in an Easter Egg Hunt.
- Targeting ASB, officers conducted joint patrols with Environmental Wardens in the environs of Corstorphine Hill.
- Officers attended the Kirkliston Gala Day.
- Community officers delivered a crime prevention and community safety input at Strachan House Nursing Home.
- Frequent ASB patrols were conducted at Inverleith Park, Ravelston Park, Lauriston Castle and Ravelston Woods.
- Community officers attended at St Bernard's Crescent Summer Fair.
- Officers facilitated a tour of a Police Station for a local Guides group.
- Community officers attended the "The Yard" – a facility for disabled children, and delivered a talk, allowing the children to interact with Police, try on uniforms and sit in the vehicles.
- Officers resourced a stall within Sainsburys, Craigleith raising awareness of hate crime and advising on reporting methodologies.
- In response to bogus workmen calls, officers completed letter drops in Kimmerghame and Davidson Road, with the intention of providing occupiers with relevant safety advice.
- Having received calls from residents, officers ejected individuals attending a house party, thereafter proactively dispersing the youths from the surrounding streets.

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Ward 6 – Corstorphine / Murrayfield

- Officers patrolled Cammo estate in response to reports of ASB.
- Community officers conducted patrols around the Murrayfield and Ravelston areas to prevent acquisitive crime e.g, housebreakings and motor vehicle crime.
- Following community feedback, officers completed speed checks in Drumbrae Drive, Ellersly Road and Meadowhouse Road.
- In response to local related concerns around the prevalence of youths travelling through Ward 6 area en route to Ward 1, officers completed antisocial behaviour patrols across the area. It's noteworthy that officers worked collectively to address the issues across the ward areas.
- Promoting Police Scotland's National Hate Crime campaign, an officer attended local shops and restaurants, providing flyers and posters.
- In response to reports of youths congregating and exhibiting ASB, an officer completed backshift patrols in the Corstorphine Hill area.
- Road checks were conducted over the course of the period, resulting in numerous tickets being issued and drivers being warned regarding their driving behaviour.
- In response to a beat complaint, an officer arranged for a road safety initiative in Meadowhouse Road.
- To address youths travelling through the area causing issues, an officer carried out a number of patrols with a colleague from ward 3. With youths congregating in the Corstorphine Hill area and thereafter exiting on Drumbrae Drive, a plan was developed / implemented which thereafter minimised the disturbance to local residents.
- Significant patrols have been completed across the area, including ward beats 1/3/6. Issues have been prevalent over recent weeks and officers have identified and patrolled extensively to seek to deter ASB.
- Following a refresh of the 'Coffee with a Cop' surgeries, an officer attended all potential locations agreeing future times and dates, with events having recommenced during April. The surgeries have been well attended, with heightened social media activity and interaction.

Ward 7 – Sighthill / Gorgie

- Op Heddle continues to tackle road crime and promote road safety. Crime prevention / advice stalls were facilitated at Westside Plaza, 20 road checks were carried out with 17 tickets issued and 5 people prosecuted with one arrest for drink driving, three vehicles seized and 60 drivers warned. There have now been in excess of 40,000 impressions on Twitter for #OpHeddle.
- Speed monitoring systems were approved for use on Murrayburn Road, with this allowing for the deployment of a mobile safety camera van.
- Officers attended the National Cycle Conference in Birmingham, representing Police Scotland, they promoted the good work undertaken by South West officers in addressing bike thefts in the area and improving crime prevention (e.g., 23 arrests, 173 charges, £60,000 bikes recovered and 10 premise warrants executed over the period).
- Targeting under age alcohol sales, with the assistance of the local Community Council, a 'problem' shop was identified and following a visit, contraventions were identified and reported. With this activity having been undertaken prior to the commencement of the Summer Holidays, this undoubtedly contributed to a marked reduction of alcohol related youth ASB.
- Joint visits were completed with local Councillors and Council Roads planners to seek to address residents' concerns over parking around the Sighthill shops. Changes to the current road markings are being investigated.
- Early interventions with local shopkeepers removed NPS. Several people are currently being investigated with an intention of charging and reporting.
- Speed checks completed around the Gorgie area, particularly Robertson Avenue and Dalry Road.
- Drug Warrants executed whereby large quantities of street drugs were recovered, unlicensed air rifles, stun guns, pepper spray and ammunition was also seized.
- Continued multiagency working alongside the Scottish Prison Service to seek to streamline processes and practices within HMP Edinburgh. Patrols conducted around HMP Edinburgh.
- Numerous patrols within the Ward resulting in a continued period of reduced ASB reports.
- Increased involvement with CAP, stalls held within Ward 7 Supermarkets, more specifically, Asda, Sainsburys and Tesco.
- Neighbour disputes unresolved via the adoption of an 'education' approach have now reverted to an enforcement approach. Several parties are now subject to various bail conditions and interdicts.
- Seeking to promote positive community engagement, Police have participated in a number of events organised and led by third sector groups.

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Ward 8 – Colinton / Fairmilehead

- Officers have attended meetings of the Oxfangs Neighbourhood Forum and created good community links with partners there.
- Dedicated road checks in areas where 20mph has been introduced and not being adhered to.
- Neighbourhood Watch in various areas including Bonaly, Frogston and Swanston are growing and receding positive feedback. Crime levels are lower than ever since introducing these NW's.
- Most primary schools have been visited in the lead up to the school holidays to allow engagement with pupils and parents and relevant safety advice provided for children for the summer holidays.
- Officers continue to work alongside the army to ensure support and wellbeing through a joint agency approach. Project started working alongside the military and Amey to patrol barracks, deal with abandoned vehicles and crime prevention.
- Operation Screening - Numerous Crime Prevention surveys carried out at residential and business premises, and patrols carried out in hotspot areas for thefts and similar crimes.
- Operation Monarda - Bogus workman incidents targeted through inputs at local meetings and leaflet handouts at over 200 addresses. Patrols also carried out on foot and mobile in areas previously targeted.
- An officer continued work with CAP including monthly meetings with partners, and 2 week long operations targeting youths drinking alcohol and shops / adults purchasing and selling the alcohol to the youths. This has received positive feedback so far.
- Operation Harefield - Dog walkers have been given advice in the area of the Pentland Hills over the summer months in relation to Lambing and their responsibilities.
- Operation Sedgewick - ASB patrols are ongoing throughout the summer months in hotspot area, particularly concentrating on underage drinking related ASB. CAP has also been involved in stalls and handing out leaflets with information about underage drinking.
- An officer presented at the Oxfangs Neighbourhood forum around work to tackle ASB. Work continues at the forum involving schools, community centre, youth providers, elected members, council, social work, NHS and many more to improve support, wellbeing and services in the Oxfangs area.
- Operation Spylaw has continued with officers deployed alongside council CCTV and environmental wardens to address antisocial behaviour in the area.
- Officers have been out working alongside Edge Autism to help provide support to residents in the area and raise awareness of the support they can offer.

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Ward 9 – Fountainbridge / Craiglockhart

- Ward 9 officers have worked in partnership with the developers of the Edinburgh Quay gap site, liaising with project managers and advising on site security and local issues. They were also instrumental in liaising with the residents of the long term homeless encampment that was present on the site, providing support and advice for the future and realising a safe and smooth transition for all parties before works commenced.
- Funded officers have also been working with staff from the Edinburgh Print works development, conducting building a site security reviews, providing advice and producing a report of the premises regarding these matters and the ongoing site security following its opening to the public. The report was well received and security was enhanced in key areas of the development, officers remain in contact with the site assisting where problems arise.
- Officers recently worked with the Festival organisers of the “Ladyboys of Bangkok” show that set up in the empty gap site adjacent to the New Boroughmuir High School. Advising the staff with site security as well as informing them of potentials local issues that may arise.
- Following continued issues of drug use at Fountain Park, the security staff have been engaged by ward officers to gather images of suspicious activities within the centre and its surrounding area. The images provided so far have greatly enhanced the intelligence picture of the drug related ASB / suspected persons of being involved. Work continues to identify nominals and detect criminality.
- Operation Eliminate – has continued in 2019 to target ASB and Drug related ASB in the Ward 9 area. Ward officers executed two misuse of drugs warrant at a commercial premise on Dundee Street, Fountain Bridge; in February and April, with the further assistance of partner agencies and Specialist officers, from the search of the shop and a further address there were significant recoveries of drugs and money. One person recently received an 11 month prison sentence.
- Ward 9 officers continue to work closely with council housing and Dunedin Canmore staff to address the numerous and varied issues that residents in the Fountainbridge present. These range from neighbour disputes, noise complaints to ASB within and premises or in public areas.
- Working alongside Dunedin Canmore housing staff Ward 9 officers have assisted with numerous cases of drug related ASB sharing information and assisting in creating actionable plans to reduce ASB and its effect on surrounding communities.
- Incidents on the Union Canal continue to occur between pedestrians and cyclists. Ward 9 officers regularly conduct cycle patrols along the footpath to engage with the paths users, increase awareness, provide advice and help prevent further incidents.

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Ward 10 – Morningside

- Community officers conducted continual foot patrols to mitigate the risk of youth related ASB during school holidays. An officer was also deployed to assist colleagues in the Moredun area following a large scale disturbance.
- An officer participated in Operation Vanguard which entailed the execution of 3 drugs search warrants, resulting in a recovery of almost £4000 worth of heroin.
- A community officer facilitated several crime prevention surgeries at the entrance of Hermitage of Braid, within the grounds of the lodge coffee house. This is a new surgery with dates organised until the end of the year. This was well attended due to the volume of dog walkers in the vicinity.
- An officer dealt with a complaint of cars continually parking on double yellow lines in Bruntsfield Gardens.
- Community officers conducted checks in Falcon Road regarding drivers not observing the pedestrian zone outside St Peter's primary school and nursery. Officers liaised with the head teacher who reminded parents/carers, via their school newsletter, of their responsibilities when parking.
- As part of Operation Proust, officers conducted regular and frequent patrols in the Meadows, Quartermile and Bruntsfield to tackle youth disorder.
- An officer carried out joint foot patrols with Edinburgh University staff in Holyrood Road, Drummond Street and Pleasance area regarding reports of rough sleepers. Appropriate sign posting to support services was offered where appropriate.
- Officers have carried out passing patrols in relation to reports of ASB outside Quick and Plenty café in Leven Street.
- A community officer was involved in the arrest of an intoxicated male within Middle Meadow Walk. Having acted in a threatening manner towards members of the public and police, he was subsequently held in police custody, having appeared at court the following day.

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Ward 11 City Centre

- Whilst conducting acquisitive crime foot patrols, community officers carried out a proactive stop search resulting in two people being arrested and charged with numerous city centre thefts and frauds.
- During the school holidays community officers conducted dedicated patrols under Operation Proust at the east end of Princes Street and Waverley Mall in respect of youth related ASB. There was continual positive engagement with security staff and retailers throughout.
- To tackle ASB and street drinking, community officers carried out regular patrols in Holyrood Road and Dumbiedykes. Vulnerabilities were identified and support measures put in place. Officers engaged with businesses on a regular basis.
- Whilst carrying out foot patrols in the Bridges area, a hot spot for shoplifting and acquisitive crime, a repeat offender was identified and thereafter arrested for breaching bail conditions.
- Patrols of Calton Hill resulted in the discovery of a group of youths drinking. Several alcohol interventions made and multiple youths returned home due to their intoxication.
- Following extensive patrols and feedback, McDonald's security agreed to make some changes to their restaurants for the purpose of discouraging youths from congregating. The strategy included turning off chargers / Wi-Fi and playing classical music.
- In response to street drinkers congregating in Hunter Square, patrols have continued in the area. Alcohol interventions carried out and warnings to groups drinking in this area. A person was arrested for being in possession of a knife.
- In Jeffrey Street a community officer reported 6 people in relation to street drinking related ASB. Two CRASBO's have been applied for in relation to ongoing complaints of street drinking in the area.
- Community officers carried out road safety initiatives at Regent Road resulting in 7 speeding tickets being issued allied with a significant recovery of drugs / cash from 3 individuals, subsequently charged with supplying controlled drugs.
- Officers carried out speed checks at Drumsheugh Gardens with 2 speeding tickets issued and 5 drivers warned regarding their driving behaviour. Further checks at Melville Street, Queen Street and Holyrood Road conducted and warnings issued.
- Community officers attended Abbeyhill Primary School Summer fair, supporting personal engagement with primary school children / visiting parents, road safety education and children actively utilising police capability.
- Officers attended a work fair at the National Libraries of Scotland, providing general advice, ranging from drugs misuse to home security.
- Community owners attended a meeting for residents from St Johns Hill housing who have been experiencing ASB, alcohol and drugs misuse within communal gardens.

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Ward 12 – Leith Walk

- Officers attended the “Celebration of all things Leith” at Leith Custom House, where a crime prevention stall was installed and security bike marking provided.
- On 4th April 2019 community officers attended the Big Lunch event at Pilmeny Development Project.
- On 9th April 2019 community officers attended the Dalmeny Park meeting to discuss instances of ASB. Ongoing efforts are being made with Dalmeny Street Community Park Project, with the local community officer regularly attending meetings. ASB calls have noticeably dropped in comparison to last year, however further inter-agency working is necessary to maintain this positive trend.
- Following community complaints, officers completed 20 mph zone road traffic enforcement days, with numerous drivers issued with tickets and warnings.
- Significant progress has been made with the School Road Safety speeding/leaflet project instigated by community officers. Leaflets have been handed to ‘speeding’ drivers in Edinburgh Leith / North East, further supported by a media campaign.
- Community officers were in attendance at the Newhaven, Leith and Hermitage Park Primary School Gala Days.
- Officers conducted three safety inputs to Broughton Primary School p1 classes.
- Community officers attended at Jameson Place sheltered housing complex, Cyrenians at Easter Road and the British Heart Foundation, providing crime prevention inputs to service users / staff, whilst affording attendees an opportunity to raise / discuss local issues.
- Whilst on foot patrol community officers recovered 2 stolen pedal cycles with 2 nominals charged and the bikes returned to their owners.
- Seeking to minimise the prevalence of individuals purchasing alcohol for youths, and in so doing, minimise the threat of alcohol related ASB, community officers have conducted regular licensed premises checks.

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Ward 13 – Leith

- Officers carried out a police surgery at The Hub, Restalrig Road, with members of the public attending and raising various local issues, with advice given in relation to crime prevention and public safety.
- Community officers attended at Prospectbank School Fayre thereafter engaging with pupils and their families.
- To address motorbike ASB and thefts, ward officers carried out regular patrols of the Restalrig walkways.
- Officers have undertaken significant patrolling in Restalrig Road/Lochend Road seeking to address youth related ASB. A similar approach has been adopted in Leith Links, to address alcohol related issues.
- On 8th May 2019, community officers attended at Citadel Youth Club and spoke with attendees on matters such as crime prevention and ASB related issues.
- On 9th May 2019, officers attended Destinys Angel's church and provided an input on crime prevention and personal safety.
- Officers attended at a resident's group meeting at Manderston Street/Gordon Street, with this having provided an opportunity for residents to liaise with their local officer and voice any concerns around local issues.
- Officers attended at, and assisted with, the Mandir Temple - Welcome to Peace Walk.
- Community officers conducted rough sleeper checks, with this having resulted in a number of individuals being spoken with and offered advice / information on support mechanisms / accommodation providers.
- Seeking to address vulnerabilities and prevent associated ASB, officers have conducted numerous prostitution related patrols in the Leith Links area.
- During foot patrols of the Leith area, community officers identified 3 males causing a minor disturbance in the street. All nominals were spoken to and warned with regards to their conduct, with this intervention having prevented any further escalation.
- During patrols of Dalmeny/Montgomery Park, officers traced around 40 youths, with several being conveyed home to be warned in the presence of their parents.

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Ward 14 – Craigentenny / Duddingston

- As a consequence of feedback from the community, officers completed several road checks. Several drivers were warned regarding their driving behaviours.
- During National Door Step Crime Week community officers conducted regular foot patrols, road checks and reassurance / prevention visits.
- Following reports of youth related ASB, officers heightened patrols of the Niddrie and Fort Kinnaird.
- In anticipation of the school holidays, community officers implemented a plan to mitigate the risk of youth related ASB throughout the Craigmillar and Portobello area.
- As part of Operation Contrition, the local response to instances of violence and disorder, community officers completed high visibility foot patrols with the intention of deterring and detecting crime and ASB. This local response also included licensed premises checks across the area.
- Community officers provided a crime prevention and personal safety input to a women's group at Northfield Community Centre.
- Officers completed surgeries at the Ripple Project, engaging with the community and offering advice on local issues.
- In response to ASB and disorder in the Niddrie Mains Road area, officers conducted high visibility foot patrols.
- Following reports of youths being abusive towards staff at Craigmillar Library, community officers conducted visits and patrols, with a hate incident having been recorded and investigated.
- Following the conviction of a local resident (sexual offence related), community officers instigated high visibility patrols of the area to ensure community tensions were monitored and eased.
- Officers completed a speed check outside Portobello High School, and whilst driving behaviour was generally appropriate, 3 drivers received warnings.

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Ward 15 – Southside / Newington

- While on foot patrol, an officer was alerted to an instance of racial abuse. The individual responsible was traced, arrested and charged, appearing at court the following day.
- During April 2019, community officers gathered intelligence from the community, which allowed for the execution several drugs search warrants across the ward area. It's noteworthy that significant assistance was provided by housing associations throughout. By way of example, one search resulted in the seizure of heroin worth in excess of £4,000.
- Working with CID colleagues, a community officer successfully concluded a Serious Assault enquiry, with the youth responsible having been charged.
- A home security presentation was delivered to an elderly group. The event not only allowed home / personal security to be discussed but also afforded an opportunity for residents to ask general questions about policing and seek advice.
- A community officer attended the Prestonfield Primary School careers fair.
- Following reports of repeated ASB within a common stair, a community officer gathered sufficient evidence to arrest a female for breaching an ASBO. This resulted in the individual being evicted and thereafter appearing at court.
- Seeking to address drug misuse within Drummond Street, an officer completed a number of joint visits to properties with Castle Rock Edinvar. Having identified that a vulnerable male's address had been utilised for the consumption of drugs, officers intervened and ensured that the male received appropriate support.
- An officer identified a prevalence of youth ASB perpetrated by a group identifying as the "Young Southsiders", intervention has resulted in 1 youth having been charged with 9 offences. Work is continuing to disrupt the group and prevent further crime.
- On the 7th June 2019 an officer assisted with the safety of the "bike bus", wherein parents and children cycle from West Saville Terrace to James Gillespie's Primary School. With approximately 100 participants, this afforded an opportunity for positive engagement with children and parents alike.
- Along with Castle Rock housing association, an officer ran a police surgery in Drummond Street.
- An officer attended the Grange Fair.
- Seeking to address drug and alcohol related ASB, officers completed regular patrols in the Southside Corridor, including Nicolson Square, Haddons Court, Drummond Street, Pleasance, West Adam Street, Roxburgh Street and Richmond Place.
- Partnership working with Castle Rock Edinvar supported the execution of an arrest warrant (violent crime).
- An officer's proactivity resulted in the successful execution of a search warrant, with recoveries including controlled drugs to the value of £1500 and monies totalling £2500.

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Ward 16 – Liberton / Gilmerton

- Responding to racial incident reports, a community officer conducted high visibility foot and vehicular reassurance patrols within the Moredun and Gracemount areas. Assistance from CEC Concierge staff allied with intervention with local youths has negated any further reported instances.
- To address reports of youths causing a nuisance and gathering around stairwells, community officers conducted regular ASB targeted patrols within Moredun, Gilmerton and Inch areas.
- Seeking to target motor cycle theft and associated ASB, officers conducted regular Op Soteria plain clothed patrols. Frequent visits were also undertaken to Mortonhall Caravan Park wherein officers raised awareness with regards to crime prevention options.
- Officers carried out high visibility patrols in and around Gilmerton and Liberton Primary Schools with several drivers warned regarding their parking.
- Officers patrolled Hyvot Bank Avenue and Ravenscroft Place in relation to reports of dangerous parking. This local issue is now subject of ongoing monitoring.
- Having received reports of youth related ASB around Costa Coffee at Cameron Toll, community officers attended / liaised with staff and security to eradicate the issue.
- Targeting thefts of motorcycles and pedal cycles, an officer completed 4 days of action over a weekend period. As an example, following several thefts, staff at Mortonhall Caravan Park were revisited and provided with further security advice, with this also being shared with residents during a walk around the site.
- A crime prevention and bike marking event was held at Edinburgh Royal Infirmary. This proved successful, having been attended by approximately 200 people.
- A community officer and the relevant school link officer attended the S6 leavers' event at James Gillespie's High School.
- Having received multiple reports of a quad bike being driven dangerously in the Moredun area, a community officer led the investigation, with the rider identified, traced and charged with numerous offences. The quad bike was also seized thus negating further use.
- In response to numerous complaints about cars driving too close to cyclists, one of the ward officers has developed and initiated Operation Close Pass.
- A FAHS officer conducted numerous joint visits with CEC, which resulted in a housing meter bypass being identified. The residents, who had been residing at the property illegally have been removed and the property made safe and secured.

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Ward 17 – Portobello / Craigmillar

- Community officers attended a Portobello street party, comprising approximately 100 local residents.
- Officers attended the Leith Gala Day.
- Officers conducted foot and vehicle patrols of Magdalene and Bingham areas, wherein they engaged with local youths and residents. Tenement blocks subject of ASB reports were also checked during this activity.
- Having received several ASB reports relating to youths being within a derelict building in Pittville Street Lane, community officers identified and warned parties in the presence of their parents. Subsequent follow up with CEC resulted in the building being secured, thereby preventing further issues.
- Officers conducted a Police Surgery in Bingham and a coffee morning in Magdalene.
- In response to reports of youths congregating in Rosefield Park and Figgate Burn Park, ward officers completed targeted patrols.
- Seeking to address a problematic tenant, community officers carried out joint visits with Port of Leith Housing. Follow up visits were thereafter completed to minimise community tension.
- Officers carried out regular patrols to address instances of ASB in Bingham / Hays / Niddrie.
- Following reports of youths gathering in the Magdalene area before school, community officers commenced early morning patrols of the area to proactively address instances of disorder.
- During the national hate crime reporting week, community officers carried out regular patrols and visits to retail premises known to be repeat victims of hate crime.
- Community officers patrolled in relation to reports of bogus workmen cold calling.
- Officers visited retail premises in Portobello after "Ringing the changes" crime reports.
- Community officers carried out plain clothed patrols in an effort to address shoplifting in the area.
- Regular patrols carried out by community officers in the Magdalene wood area in response to reports of disorder.

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