

Highland Council

Community Safety, Public Engagement and Equalities Committee – 5 December 2013

Agenda Item	7i
Report No	CPE 47/13

Highland Local Police Area – Performance against the Local Policing Plan and the Development of the Next Iteration of the Highland Policing Plans

Report by the Highland Local Policing Commander - Chief Superintendent Julian Innes

Summary

To provide an update to Committee Members on the progress with reference to the objectives outlined in the Highland 2013/14 Policing Plan and the development of the next iteration of the Highland Local and Ward policing plans.

1. Background

- 1.1 Performance. Performance is being maintained within the Highland Area and overall crime continues to fall, with a drop of 158 Class 1-4 crimes as at 2 November 2013 (4087 crimes last year to date and 3929 crimes this year to date¹). There has been a 48% drop in Class 1 violent crimes (such as murder, attempted murder and serious assaults) from the previous year (from 233 last year to date and 144 this year to date).
- 1.2 A summary of the current performance against the 2013/14 Highland Policing Plan objectives is at Enclosure 1. The period covered by the report is as at 30 September 2013 unless stated otherwise.
- 1.3 Planning for the 2014-17 Policing Plan. The series of Police and Fire Plan Ward Forums across Highland has now been completed, with all Wards having the opportunity to outline their priorities for the development of the 2014-2017 Ward plans. The attendance at the Ward Forums varied; however, the engagement from councillors, community councils and interested members of the public was very positive. The initial indications are that the majority of Ward Plan priorities remain extant.
- 1.4 As reported at the last Committee meeting, Police Scotland has been conducting a standardised survey to gain the views of residents within each of the Multi Member Wards across Highland. The survey has been completed and when the results are published they will also contribute to the development of the Highland Local and Ward Policing Plans.

¹ Police Scotland SCOMIS Performance System Figures.

- 1.5 Once all the consultations have been completed, draft versions of the Highland Local and Ward Policing Plan will be developed and presented to the Committee.

2. Progress and Next Steps

- 2.1 Conclude the Policing Plan consultation activities and develop the next iterations of the Highland Local Policing Plan and Ward Policing Plans.

Recommendation:

The Committee is asked to:

- i scrutinise the progress made against the objectives set within the Highland Local Policing Plan 2013-2014; and
- ii note that a draft of the 2014/17 Local Policing Plans will be presented to Members at a future Committee meeting.

**Chief Superintendant Julian Innes
Highland and Island Divisional Commander
8 November 2013**

Enclosures:

1. Performance report against Policing Plan Objectives

PERFORMANCE AGAINST THE HIGHLAND COUNCIL LOCAL POLICING PLAN 2013/14 – 1 April – 30 September 2013

	Above or Equal Target
	Below Target

PRIORITY 1 - Increase Public Confidence and Local Engagement

Target	Baseline 2012/13	YTD 2012/13	YTD 2013/14	YTD Variation	Trend (Previous Rpt)	Context/Narrative
Attend all Ward Forums			Attended 90 CCs		+ 68	All Ward Forums Attended - Figure as at 31 October.
Answer all 999 calls within 10 seconds			94%		= (94%)	Target 90% - Figures as at 31 October
Attend all 999 calls within 15 minutes within Inverness	66%		80.8%		- (81.5%)	Figures as at 31 October
Last Community Advisory Group						3 September 2013 – Next 3 December 2013

PRIORITY 2 - Protecting People

Target	Baseline 2012/13	YTD 2012/13	YTD 2013/14	YTD Variation	Trend (Previous Rpt)	Context/Narrative
Increase detection rates for crimes of domestic abuse	94.8%	95.1%	93.7%	-1.4%	- (-0.1%)	767 detections recorded during the period. 722 detections occurred during the period with 45 from previous year. 97 crimes currently remain undetected.
Increase detection rates for sexual offences (Class 2)	80.9%	61.2%	85.0%	+23.8%	+ (17.1%)	147 detections recorded during the period. 106 detections occurred during the period with 41 from previous year. 67 crimes currently remain undetected.
Reduce the number of hate crimes	100	82	92	10	- (9)	

PRIORITY 3 - Road Policing

Target	Baseline 2012/13	YTD 2012/13	YTD 2013/14	YTD Variation	Trend (Previous Rpt)	Context/Narrative
Reduce the number of people killed or seriously injured on our roads	97	64	53	-11	= (-11)	
Increase the number of people detected for drink / drug driving offences	402	203	194	-9	= (-9)	
Increase the number of people detected for seat belt offences	510	285	406	121	+ (49)	
Increase the number of people detected for mobile phone offences	508	260	342	82	+ (75)	

PRIORITY 4 - Violence, Disorder and Antisocial Behaviour

Target	Baseline 2012/13	YTD 2012/13	YTD 2013/14	YTD Variation	Trend (Previous Rpt)	Context/Narrative
Reduce the number of violent offences (Class 1)	332	197	105	-92	+ (-39)	
Reduce the level of antisocial behaviour	17749	9,022	7,968	-1,054	+ (-860)	
Increase the number of licensed premises visits (on / off sales premises)	8374	3,104	4,102	998	+ (795)	

PRIORITY 5 - Serious Crime

Target	Baseline 2012/13	YTD 2012/13	YTD 2013/14	YTD Variation	Trend (Previous Rpt)	Context/Narrative
Increase the proportion of positive stop and search for drugs	21.1%	23.0%	18.4%	-4.6%	- (-3.8%)	2012/13 - 566 Positive 2013/14 - 313 Positive
Increase detections for the supply of drugs	228	93	47	-46	- (-16)	