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## HIGHLAND COUNCIL

**Committee:** Lochaber Area Committee

**Date:** 17 January 2018

**Report Title:** **Police – Area Performance Summary Report**

**Report By:** Chief Inspector Brian MacKay, Area Commander, presented by Inspector Isla Campbell, Area Inspector.

### 1. **Purpose/Executive Summary**

- 1.1 To provide an update to Committee Board on the progress with reference to the objectives outlined in the Highland Policing Plan 2017-20.

### 2. **Recommendations**

2.1 Members are invited to note:

- i. Progress made against the objectives set within the Highland and Islands Local Policing Plan 2017-20 Year 1, attached as Annex A to this report, for the period covering 1 April 2017- 30 November 2017.

### 3. **Report Format – Police Area Performance Summary Report**

- 3.1 Highland Council have moved towards more detailed reporting of Police Performance at a local level. With this in mind, this is a good opportunity to revise the format of reporting and the attached document at Annexe A has been drafted with a view to doing this.

- 3.2 This document will now cover all priorities featured in the local Policing Plan and evidence Prevention and Intervention work corresponding to each of the policing priorities, provide local narrative in relation to Serious and Organised Crime and Counter Terrorism and finally a section covering local events for the interest of members.

#### **4. Implications**

- 4.1 Resource – There are no immediate resource applications arising from this noting report

- 4.2 Legal – There are no immediate legal implications arising from this noting report.

Community (Equality, Poverty and Rural) – There are no immediate community implications arising from this noting report.

Climate Change/Carbon Clever – There are no immediate implications arising from this noting report.

Risk – There are no immediate implications arising from this noting report.

Gaelic – There are no immediate implications arising from this noting report.

Designation: Area Commander

Date: 8 January 2018

Author: Chief Inspector Brian MacKay

Background Papers: Progress made against the objectives set within the Highland

Policing plan 2017- 20, Year 1, covering 1 April 2017 – 30 November 2017.

**LOCHABER - PERFORMANCE AGAINST LOCAL POLICING PLAN 2017/20**  
**April 2017 – November 2017**

**PRIORITY – Road Safety and Road Crime**

**Intention – Whilst working with Partners, enhance Road Safety across the Highland Area**

**Objective – Whilst working with Partners, deliver a Road Safety Strategy which focuses on: Challenging Driver Behaviour; Education at the road side and elsewhere; Detection of offences linked to contributing factors of Fatal and Serious Road Collisions; and collectively reducing potential harm.**

Target			YTD 2016/17	YTD 2017/18	YTD Variation	Context/Narrative
Reduce the number of people killed on the roads in Lochaber.			2	4	+2	<p>A82 at South Laggan – three vehicle collision involving single decker PSV, motor vehicle, motor cycle. The motorcyclist was pronounced dead the scene.</p> <p>A82 at Glencoe – motorcyclist collided with a tree and sustained significant injury. Later died in hospital.</p> <p>A82 at Altnafeadh – one vehicle fatal collision. Pedestrian pronounced dead at the scene.</p> <p>A82 at Letterfinlay – one vehicle fatal collision. Driver of the vehicle pronounced dead at the scene.</p>
Number of people detected for drink / drug driving offences	South Highland – Due to system configurations these figures are not available at multi-member ward level.		66	81	+15	Includes failure to provide a specimen
Number of people detected for speeding.			1639	1355	-284	
Number of people detected for mobile phone offences.			48	22	-26	
Number of people detected for seat belt offences			79	64	-15	
Prevention and Intervention Activity	Driving Ambition was delivered to Lochaber, Kinlochleven and Mallaig secondary school pupils 30 August 2017. Further events to take place in Kinlochleven and Lochaber High School during 2018.					

Road Traffic Operations/Campaigns	<p>The Motorcycle campaign- Operation Zenith ran between March 2017 and September 2017. The focus of the campaign being to promote safe and responsible motorcycling, reduce casualties, raise awareness and the enforcement of legislation.</p> <p>The Festive Drink/Drug Drive Campaign 2017 commenced at 0700 hours Fri 1 December 2017 and ran for a period of 4 weeks until 0700 hours Tues 2 January 2018. Despite the general perception that drink/drug driving is socially unacceptable, many who persist in doing so consider it to be a low-risk activity in terms of the likelihood of being involved in a collision or being caught.</p> <p>The 'Festive Drink/Drug Drive Initiative 2016' was conducted through high visibility patrol work in marked police vehicles and static road checks. Based upon research and analysis of previous campaign returns, the aim of the initiative was to conduct high profile, high visibility patrols of main arterial routes and drink/drive hotspots. Postscript South Highland – Result – 40 Negative Breath Tests obtained, 5 individuals reported to the Procurator Fiscal, offences detected between 0600 hours – 1000 hours = nil.</p>

## PRIORITY – Violence, Disorder and Anti-social Behaviour including Alcohol and Drugs Misuse

**Intention – With partners, better understand the causes to prevent and reduce instances of Anti-social Behaviour, Violence and Disorder to enhance community safety across the Highland Area**

**Objective – Work with partners to share information, support Education, Prevention, Diversionary and Enforcement Measures linked to harmful alcohol consumption; maintain robust procedures around licensed premises; support victims of violent crime by working with partners to improve service provision and prevent repeat victimisation.**

Target	Baseline 5 Year Average	Baseline 3 Year Average	YTD 2016/17	YTD 2017/18	YTD Variation	Context/Narrative
Licensed Premises Checks			914	533	-381	Lochaber
Increase the number of <b>positive</b> stop searches/ confiscations for those possessing alcohol.						See Stop and Search details at Antisocial Behaviour / Disorder section below
Increase the number of <b>positive</b> stop searches/ confiscations for those possessing drugs.						
Increase the number of offences reported for the supply or being concerned with the supply of drugs.	6.4	4.7	5	9	+4	South Highland – Due to system configurations these figures are not available at multi-member ward level. Number of detections for Drugs supply, production and cultivation
Reduce the number of Breach of the Peace/Threatening, Abusive behaviour Crimes	116.8	106.7	99	104	+5	Threatening and Abusive Behaviour Crimes and Offences
Reduce the occurrences of common assault	118.8	122.7	139	122	-17	Crimes and offences
Reduce the number of premises currently escalated to Stage 3 noisy behaviour through Operation Notebook.				0		There are currently no premises in Lochaber at Stage 3.
Number of antisocial behaviour orders in place.				0		There are no antisocial behaviour orders in place in Lochaber

Reduce the offences of vandalism	102.8	86.3	70	79	+9	Includes Malicious Mischief
Prevention and Intervention Activity (including Rock challenge, Safer Highlander, Pub Watch)	Festive Roadshow involved a series of roadshows within retail premises, covering a wide range of criminality including domestic abuse. These events were organised by the Preventions & Interventions Unit and had support from a number of other agencies including RBOS, Womens Aid, Highland Council and retailers throughout the Lochaber area.					

### Violence, Disorder & Antisocial Behaviour - Stop and Searches

		April 2016 – Dec 2016	April 2016 - Dec 2016 (Positive)	Victims	% Change
	Number of stop and searches conducted (total)	136	59		
	Number of statutory stop and searches conducted	26	11		
	Number of consensual stop and searches conducted	-	-		
	Number of consensual stop and searches refused	-	-		
	Number of seizures made	5	5		

An enhanced version of the National Stop & Search Database commenced on 1 June 2015. The enhanced database brought significant changes in the process of data capture and the methodology for recording data items.

Management Information and data in respect of stop and search can be found on the Police Scotland website via <http://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/police-scotland/stop-and-search-data-publication>.

## PRIORITY – Acquisitive Crime

**Intention – With Partners and Communities, prevent instances of acquisitive crime across the Highland area**

**Objective – With Partners, share information, support education, prevention, diversionary and enforcement activity linked to acquisitive crime; develop work with targets – recidivist offenders to reduce reoffending linked to acquisitive crime e.g. Persistent Offenders programme; enhance the use of all media platforms to raise awareness of local and national preventative initiatives.**

Target	Baseline 5 Year Average	Baseline 3 Year Average	YTD 2016/17	YTD 2017/18	YTD Variation	Context/Narrative
Number of Theft by Housebreaking	21	18.3	16	28	+12	
Number of theft by shoplifting	18.4	18.7	18	22	+4	Prevention and Intervention activity supporting retailers including Scottish Co-op with target hardening and crime prevention.
Number of theft from motor vehicles	11.6	11.3	6	9	+3	
Prevention and Intervention Activity	<p>During November a P &amp; I Officer attended at three major retailers in Fort William – Tesco, Morrisons and Marks and Spencer in order to offer crime prevention advice and raise staff awareness regarding shop lifting in the run up to the Festive season. This was followed up later in the season by a Festive roadshow which took place in the High Street, Fort William, covering a wide range of criminality including domestic abuse, bogus workmen and safe winter driving.</p> <p>These events were organised by the Preventions &amp; Interventions Unit and had support from a number of other agencies including Womens Aid and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service who were available and offered home safety visits.</p> <p>Wildlife Crime – Anti deer poaching patrols continue and regular game dealer checks carried out. Regular attendance at deer management Groups.</p>					

## PRIORITY – Protecting People at Risk of Harm – Safer Communities

**Intention – Protect people at risk of harm**

**Objective – With Partners and as corporate parents we will focus on safeguarding communities; with Partners we will address emerging issues through Prevention and Intervention**

Target	Baseline 5 Year Average	Baseline 3 Year Average	YTD 2016/17	YTD 2017/18	YTD Variation	Context/Narrative
Class 2 Crimes – sexual crimes	20.2	25	24	31	+7	Enquiries in relation to sexual crimes and domestic abuse are focused on positive outcomes for victims of crime and led by their wishes. This number also includes the reporting of non-recent incidents.
Number of Hate crimes						Extensive work is ongoing to ensure victims have the opportunity and confidence to report hate crimes to Police either directly or through third party reporting services. These figures will distributed on 17/01/2018
Ensure that people who report hate incidents feel satisfied with the response received from public agencies.	Third party Reporting Centres – New and existing centres to receive new training early in 2018. A Hate Crime Survey is sent to all victims of Hate Crime; this survey has been in place since 1st January 2015 and its purpose is to ensure that people who report hate incidents feel satisfied with the response received from public agencies.					
Prevention and Intervention Activity	<p>During December, Festive roadshow took place in the High Street, Fort William, covering a wide range of criminality including domestic abuse, acquisitive crime and safe winter driving.</p> <p>These events were organised by the Preventions &amp; Interventions Unit and had support from a number of other agencies including Womens Aid and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service who were available and offered home safety visits.</p> <p>P&amp;I delivered joint presentations to students at West Highland College in relation to Partysafe. This was carried out in advance of the Festive Party Season.</p> <p>P&amp;I Officer trained to deliver “Bystander” training package - The DVD prevention of offences. Senario based showing the circumstances leading up to a sexual assault where a number of bystanders apparently had concerns about the situation but decided not to intervene. The DVD then showed how each of the bystanders might have been able to stop the situation developing had any one of them taken taking appropriate action. This programme has applications in relation to violent crime. It is anticipated that this training will be delivered over the course of the year.</p>					



## **PRIORITY – Serious & Organised Crime**

**Intention – With Partners, reduce the threat, risk and harm caused by Serious Organised Crime**

**Objective – With Partners work to safeguard the Highland area by taking all opportunities to prevent crime and make the Highland area a hostile environment for Serious & Organised Crime Groups; to improve outcomes for individuals and communities and reduce offending through prevention, early intervention and diversion; in support of our Partners in the Local Authority and NHS via the Highland Alcohol and Drug Partnership Strategy we will direct those who are substance dependant towards recovery through prevention, treatment and support services; with Partners work to reduce the instances of substance misuse in our communities**

<p>Serious &amp; Organised Crime</p>	<p>Divisional operation - intelligence development and investigation into drug supply and use in educational establishments throughout the Division, including Lochaber. All intelligence will continue to be monitored daily and passed to the local area inspector for proactive approach.</p> <p>Divisional operation – ongoing investigation into recent online/electronic frauds which have targeted local business/charities and have resulted in the loss of substantial amounts of money – in excess of £90,000 in the Lochaber area over the current reporting year.</p>
<p>Prevention and Intervention Activity</p>	<p>P&amp;I delivered joint presentations to students at West Highland College in relation to Partysafe. This was carried out in advance of the Festive Party Season.</p> <p>During December, Festive roadshow took place in the High Street, Fort William, covering a wide range of criminality including domestic abuse, acquisitive crime and safe winter driving.</p> <p>These events were organised by the Preventions &amp; Interventions Unit and had support from a number of other agencies including Womens Aid and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service who were available and offered home safety visits.</p>

## **PRIORITY – Counter Terrorism & Domestic Extremism**

**Intention – Support the delivery of the CONTEST strategy to reduce the threat posed by terrorism and domestic extremism**

**Objective – Strengthen PREVENT work with Partners and institutions; with Partners, support individuals who are vulnerable to terrorism and violent extremism; strengthen PREVENT work in relation to the internet and Social Media; Effective Multi-agency planning in respect of Counter Terrorism is taking place; Develop our ability to respond effectively to any terrorist attack (with a specific focus on emerging high-risk threats, and specialist capabilities).**

Counter Terrorism & Domestic Extremism	<p>The ACT NOW for schools project consists of four lessons exploring issues surrounding terrorism, It centre around a fictitious table top exercise delivered by external community facilitators with support from the local police. The lessons also cover political and historical terrorism and human safety versus human rights. The purpose of ACT NOW for schools is to encourage diverse communities to understand counter-terrorism issues and to feel confident about making decisions based upon the information they are given.</p> <p>ACT (All Communities Together) Now presentations delivered to all senior pupils at Ardnamurchan High School.</p> <p>WRAP (Workshop to Raise Awareness in Prevent) training delivered to Highlife Highland in Caol/Fort William during July 2017. WRAP training delivered to students at West Highland College during October 2017.</p>
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<b>Activity/Events</b>	
September 2017	Ultra Cycle Event – Fort William Ben Nevis Race 3 Peaks Challenge – Ben Nevis Coast to Coast – Nairn to Fort William
October 2017	Marathon Royal National Mod
November 2017	Fireworks Event – Glengarry Remembrance Parade – Fort William and Spean Bridge Christmas Gathering – Fort William Reindeer Parade – Fort William