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## HIGHLAND COUNCIL

**Committee:** Badenoch and Strathspey Area Committee

**Date:** 11<sup>th</sup> February 2020

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

**Report By:** Police Inspector Vincent Tough, 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 3, attached as Annex A to this report, for the period covering 1 April 2019- 31 December 2019.

### 3. **Implications**

- 3.1 Resource – There are no immediate resource applications arising from this noting report
- 3.2 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.

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

4.1 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.

4.2 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.

Designation: Area Commander

Date: 4 February 2020

Author: Police Inspector Vincent Tough

Background Papers: Progress made against the objectives set within the Highland Policing plan 2017- 20, Year 3, covering 1 April 2019 – 31 December 2019.

**BADENOCH & STRATHSPEY - PERFORMANCE AGAINST LOCAL POLICING PLAN 2017/20**  
**01 April 2019 – 31 December 2019**

**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 2018/19	YTD 2019/20	YTD Variation	Context/Narrative
Reduce the number of people killed on the roads in Badenoch and Strathspey.		0	0	-	
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.	83	81	-2	Includes failure to provide a specimen
Number of people detected for speeding.		1432	940	-492	
Number of people detected for mobile phone offences.		17	24	7	
Number of people detected for seat belt offences		26	27	1	
Prevention and Intervention Activity	Driving Ambition delivered to Kingussie High School				
Road Traffic Operations/Campaigns	<p>Festive Drink/Drug Drive Campaign 2019 ran between 1 December 2019 and 2 January 2020. Police Scotland is committed to achieving the Scottish Government's 2020 casualty reduction targets. Increasing awareness of the risks associated with drink/drug driving supports the Force's efforts to reduce road casualties. The campaign was conducted through a combination of intelligence-led high visibility patrols and static road checks.</p> <p>Eleven drink drivers were reported in the South Highland area, this is an increase of +9 on the same period last year. Following the introduction of S5A Road Traffic Act 1988 in October 2019, preliminary drug drive testing is now available to officers. There were seven positive drug tests obtained in the South Highland command during the campaign period.</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 2018/19	YTD 2019/20	YTD Variation	Context/Narrative
Licensed Premises Checks			747	550	-197	Ongoing liaison with B & S Pubwatch.
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.	4.8	2.7	0	6	6	Number of detections for Drugs supply, production and cultivation
Reduce the number of Breach of the Peace/Threatening, Abusive behaviour Crimes	35.6	32.3	20	44	24	Threatening and Abusive Behaviour Crimes and Offences
Reduce the occurrences of common assault	45.7	48.8	39	57	18	Crimes and offences.
Reduce the number of premises currently escalated to Stage 3 noisy behaviour through Operation Notebook.				1		Ongoing liaison with tenant and housing regarding antisocial behaviour and noise complaints, and a multi-agency robust response to instances of antisocial behaviour.
Number of antisocial behaviour orders in place.				0		
Reduce the incidents of vandalism	41.6	40.0	30	40	10	Figure on par with five year and three year average

<p>Prevention and Intervention Activity (including Rock challenge, Safer Highlander, Pub Watch)</p>	<p>Festive safety campaign - Police Scotland is dedicated to Keeping People Safe and the advice we shared helped the public do that. By working together and advising on simple precautions we helped to remove the opportunities for criminals to commit crime. Passing shoppers were spoken to by Police and Partners and preventative advice given on a range of topics.</p> <p>Anti-social behaviour awareness raising sessions delivered to schools in Badenoch and Strathspey area.</p>
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### Violence, Disorder & Antisocial Behaviour - Stop and Searches

		April 2019 – December 2019	April 2019 – December 2019 (positive searches)
	Number of stop and searches conducted (total)	51	19 (37%)
	Number of statutory stop and searches conducted	-	-
	Number of consensual stop and searches conducted	-	-
	Number of consensual stop and searches refused	-	-
	Number of seizures made	-	-

**Positive Stop Search** - A positive stop and search is when an item is recovered where possession of same implies criminality on the part of the individual being searched or any other; or potentially compromises the safety of that individual or another.

A **seizure** occurs when - alcohol, and/or; tobacco product, and/or; cigarette papers are surrendered, or are removed from an individual by a Police Officer, for the purpose of safeguarding the health and well-being of that individual or any other, in circumstances where the stop and search tactic has NOT been utilised and no physical search of an individual has taken place.

## 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 2018/19	YTD 2019/20	YTD Variation	Context/Narrative
Number of Theft by Housebreaking	11.6	7.3	4	19	15	Majority relate to non-dwelling or other premises
Number of theft by shoplifting	12.0	15.0	25	7	-18	72% reduction on same period last year.
Number of theft from motor vehicles	7.8	7.3	3	2	-1	Figure well below 5 year and 3 year average.
Prevention and Intervention Activity	Festive safety campaign - Police Scotland is dedicated to Keeping People Safe and the advice we shared helped the public do that. By working together and advising on simple precautions we helped to remove the opportunities for criminals to commit crime. Passing shoppers were spoken to by Police and Partners and preventative advice given on a range of topics.					

## PRIORITY – Protecting People at Risk of Harm

### Intention – Protect people at risk of harm

**Objective – With Partners and as corporate parents we will deliver the C.H.A.M.P.S (Highland Champion Board) strategy; with Partners 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 2018/19	YTD 2019/20	YTD Variation	Context/Narrative
Class 2 Crimes -sexual crimes	16.2	15.7	24	15	-9	This figure also includes reporting of non-recent incidents. Figures on par with 5 year and 3 year average.
Ensure that people who report hate incidents feel satisfied with the response received from public agencies.	Hate Crime Champion training completed during November providing Divisional resources who will provide advice and support to colleagues regarding hate crime as well as acting as a conduit to share best practice nationally. South Highland currently have two hate crime champions, based in Aviemore and Nairn respectively.					
Prevention and Intervention Activity	<p><u>Missing Persons</u></p> <p>Missing Person enquiries are very high risk area of police business and necessitate immediate response. Police Scotland missing person co-ordinator meets with the local authority on a weekly basis to review placements for looked after children.</p> <p>Year to date, there have been 162 missing person reports in South Highland. Of this figure, 42% of investigations relate to missing children and missing care experienced young people. This figure does not include missing persons from other areas who are traced in the South Highland Command area.</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**

Serious & Organised Crime	Serious organised crime has the potential to affect every community in Scotland and can be described as multiple people exerting control, planning and use of specialist resources to commit serious crime. Police Scotland will work in partnership to prevent harm caused to individuals, communities and businesses by <b>serious organised crime</b> .
Prevention and Intervention Activity	Rolling program of attendance at community groups to advise and raise awareness regarding doorstep crime and scams/online safety.  County Lines awareness raising presentation to Social Work staff in Badenoch and Strathspey area.  Slide presentation to Grantown and Kingussie schools  Drugs and alcohol input to local schools in Badenoch area, most recently completed at Grantown Grammar school

## **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 response effectively to any terrorist attack (with a specific focus on emerging high-risk threats, and specialist capabilities).**

Counter Terrorism & Domestic Extremism	<p>Tackling terrorism and domestic extremism is a national priority for Police Scotland and we will work with our partners to protect our communities by reducing and mitigating the threat and harm it causes.</p> <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>Ongoing liaison and contact with premises in Badenoch and Strathspey. Ongoing ACT now sessions at Grantown Grammar School, Badenoch &amp; Strathspey Pubwatch and outdoor centres at Lagganlia, Loch Insh and Aviemore.</p>
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