

Agenda item	4
Report no	ERA-07-20

HIGHLAND COUNCIL

Committee: Easter Ross Area Committee

Date: 20 August 2020

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

Report By: Police Inspector James Rice, 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 2017-2020 and Highland Policing Plan 2020-2023 (to be approved 19 August 2020)

2. **Recommendations**

- 2.1 Members are invited to note:
- i. Progress made against the objectives set within the Highland Local Policing Plan 2017-2020 Year 3, attached as Annexe A to this report, for the period covering 1 April 2019- 31 March 2020.
 - ii. Progress made against the objectives set within the Highland Local Policing Plan 2020-2023, attached as Annexe B to this report, for the period covering 1 April 2020 – 30 June 2020.

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 and B 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.

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: Police Inspector

Date: 10 August 2020

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Background Papers:

Progress made against the objectives set within the Highland Policing plan 2017-20, Year 3, covering 1 April 2019 – 31 March 2020

Progress made against objectives set within the Highland Policing plan 2020-2023, Year 1, covering 1 April 2020 – 30 June 2020

ROSS AND CROMARTY - PERFORMANCE AGAINST LOCAL POLICING PLAN 2017/20
01 April 2019 – 31 March 2020

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 Ross and Cromarty.		9	6	-3	See appendix for further detail
Number of people detected for drink / drug driving offences	Due to system configurations these figures are not available at multi-member ward level.	148	126	-22	
Number of people detected for speeding.		1089	715	-374	
Number of people detected for mobile phone offences.		41	52	11	
Number of people detected for seat belt offences		72	74	2	
Prevention and Intervention Activity					
Road Traffic Operations/Campaigns					

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			107	76	31	Easter Ross
Increase the number of offences reported for the supply or being concerned with the supply of drugs.	19.6	17.33	22 (12)	16 (8)	-6	Number of detections for drugs supply and cultivation
Reduce the number of Breach of the Peace/Threatening, Abusive behaviour Crimes	321.6	312.67	342 (199)	257 (147)	-85	Easter Ross in brackets. Significant reduction on 5 and 3 year average.
Reduce the occurrences of common assault	405.8	354	377 (239)	289 (193)	-88	Easter Ross in brackets. Significant reduction on 5 and 3 year average.
Reduce the number of premises currently escalated to Stage 3 noisy behaviour through Operation Notebook.				0		Partnership working with Highland Council, Albyn, Cairn Housing. Through early intervention, there are no Stage 3 Notebook addresses.
Number of antisocial behaviour orders in place.				0		
Reduce the incidents of vandalism	388.2	353.33	324 (186)	321 (161)	-3	Easter Ross in brackets. Significant reduction on 5 and 3 year average.
Prevention and Intervention Activity (including Rock challenge, Safer Highlander, Pub Watch)						

Violence, Disorder & Antisocial Behaviour - Stop and Searches			
		April 2019 – March 2020	April 2019 – March 2020 (positive search)
	Number of stop and searches conducted (total)	296	113 (38%)
	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	1	-
<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>			

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	55.0	51.67	48 (20)	51 (14)	3	Easter Ross in brackets. YTD figures below 3 year and 5 year average
Number of theft by shoplifting	103.6	124.33	126 (85)	122 (69)	-4	Easter Ross in brackets
Number of theft from motor vehicles	26.0	17.67	12 (12)	15 (10)	3	Easter Ross in brackets. YTD figures well below 3 year and 5 year average
Prevention and Intervention Activity						

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	114.8	110.0	121 (53)	127 (52)	6	Includes non recent incidents. Easter Ross in brackets.
Ensure that people who report hate incidents feel satisfied with the response received from public agencies.	Police Scotland underwent an HMICS National inspection in relation to Hate Crime and N Division Highland and Islands has been identified as one of the three focussed Divisions. The result of this report will be circulated to elected members when available.					
Prevention and Intervention Activity						

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 & Organised Crime</p>	<p>Divisional Operation - intelligence development and investigation into drug supply and use in educational establishments throughout the Division, including Ross and Cromarty. All intelligence will continue to be monitored daily and passed to the local area inspector for proactive approach.</p>
<p>Prevention and Intervention Activity</p>	<p style="background-color: #cccccc;"></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 response 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>WRAP sessions delivered to local authority staff in Dingwall. Continued liaison with local authority and secondary schools in Dingwall.</p>
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Reduce the number of people killed on the roads in Ross and Cromarty.		1	1	-	Scotsburn, Tain. One vehicle RTC. Driver later died in hospital as a result of injury sustained.
Number of people detected for drink / drug driving offences	Due to system configurations these figures are not available at multi-member ward level.	28	39	11	
Number of people detected for speeding.		303	149	154	
Number of people detected for mobile phone offences.		17	16	1	
Number of people detected for seat belt offences		29	6	23	
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Licensed Premises Checks			20	1	-15	Easter Ross
Increase the number of offences reported for the supply or being concerned with the supply of drugs.	7.2	6	7 (1)	2 (1)	-5	Number of detections for Drugs supply, production and cultivation. Easter Ross in brackets.
Reduce the number of Breach of the Peace/Threatening, Abusive behaviour Crimes	88.6	85.33	75 (41)	80 (46)	5	Easter Ross in brackets
Reduce the occurrences of common assault	111.8	95	78 (56)	105 (75)	27	Easter Ross in brackets

Reduce the number of premises currently escalated to Stage 3 noisy behaviour through Operation Notebook.				0		
Number of antisocial behaviour orders in place.				0		
Reduce the incidents of vandalism	101.0	87.33	65 (37)	80 (50)	15	Easter Ross in brackets
Prevention and Intervention Activity (including Rock challenge, Safer Highlander, Pub Watch)						

Violence, Disorder & Antisocial Behaviour - Stop and Searches

		April 2020 – June 2020	April 2020 – June 2020
	Number of stop and searches conducted (total)	15	1
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	Number of consensual stop and searches conducted	-	-
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	Number of seizures made	-	-

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Prevention and Intervention Activity	<p>Missing Persons</p> <p>Police investigated 33 reports of missing persons in North Highland during this reporting year. Of this number, 66% related to care experienced youth people in North Highland.</p> <p>Ross and Cromarty including Easter Ross have a local police liaison officer who maintains contact and liaison with the residential units in the area. This role has developed and regular contact has built a good relationship with residential unit(s). Where required this officer also works in conjunction with the missing person co-ordinator who similarly enjoys a good working relationship with residential units.</p>					

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