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Report no	<b>BSAC/08/20</b>

**HIGHLAND COUNCIL**

**Committee:** Badenoch & Strathspey Area Committee

**Date:** 10 November 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 Local Policing Plan 2017-20 Year 3, attached as Annex 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 – 23 Year 1, attached as Annex B to this report, for the period covering 1 April 2020 – 30 September 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.

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- 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.

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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 September 2020

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**BADENOCH & STRATHSPEY - 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 Badenoch and Strathspey.		1	1	-	B970 at Inverdrue. One vehicle RTC. Driver and sole passenger both pronounced dead at the scene.
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.	105	111	6	Includes failure to provide a specimen
Number of people detected for speeding.		1800	1203	-597	
Number of people detected for mobile phone offences.		25	30	5	
Number of people detected for seat belt offences		37	36	-1	

## 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			893	690	-203	Ongoing liaison with licensees
Increase the number of offences reported for the supply or being concerned with the supply of drugs.	3.4	3.0	0	5	5	Number of detections for Drugs supply, production and cultivation.
Reduce the number of Breach of the Peace/Threatening, Abusive behaviour Crimes	47.2	42.33	29	53	24	High detection rate 90%
Reduce the occurrences of common assault	66.4	61.0	62	67	5	Slight increase on five year average
Reduce the number of premises currently escalated to Stage 3 noisy behaviour through Operation Notebook.				0		Police continue to work closely with partnership agencies. Through early intervention, there are no Stage 3 Notebook addresses.
Number of antisocial behaviour orders in place.				0		
Reduce the incidents of vandalism	54.2	52.33	47	47	-	Figures well below 5 year and 3 year average

<b>Violence, Disorder &amp; Antisocial Behaviour - Stop and Searches</b>		
	April 2019 – March 2020	April 2019 – March 2020 (positive searches)
Number of stop and searches conducted (total)	71	28 (39%)
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	5	-
<p><b>Positive Stop Search</b> - 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 <b>seizure</b> 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	14.2	15.67	4	23	19	Increase on 5 and 3 year average
Number of theft by shoplifting	15.4	18.67	27	13	-14	51% reduction on same period last year
Number of theft from motor vehicles	7.8	4.67	3	4	1	Figure below 5 year average

**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	22.6	25.0	33	22	-11	Includes non-recent reports.
Ensure that people who report hate incidents feel satisfied with the response received from public agencies.	During March, N Division welcomed HMICS where our Hate Crime processes were subject to a thematic review. When the results are available, they will be shared with elected members.					
Missing Persons	<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>There have been 200 missing person reports in South Highland during the reporting year. Of this figure, 41% 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**

<p>Serious &amp; Organised Crime</p>	<p>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>.</p>
<p>Prevention and Intervention Activity</p>	<p>Two misuse of drugs warrants have been executed during the report year. Both with a positive result where quantities of controlled substances and cash were seized and individuals reported to the Procurator Fiscal.</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).**

<p>Counter Terrorism &amp; Domestic Extremism</p>	<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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Reduce the number of people killed on the roads in Badenoch and Strathspey.		0	1	1	A9 at Balavil. Two vehicle RTC. Passenger of one vehicle pronounced dead at locus.
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.	47	39	-8	Includes failure to provide a specimen
Number of people detected for speeding.		607	488	-119	
Number of people detected for mobile phone offences.		15	16	1	
Number of people detected for seat belt offences		18	23	5	

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

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Prevention and Intervention Activity	Three misuse of drugs warrants have been executed during the report year. All with a positive result where quantities of controlled substances and cash were seized and individuals reported to the Procurator Fiscal. In addition motor vehicle stop/searches whilst transit in through the Badenoch area have yielded two significant drug seizures. Associated enquiry is ongoing in relation to this.

**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 2019/20	YTD 2020/21	YTD Variation	Context/Narrative
Number of Theft by Housebreaking	7.40	7.00	15	7	-8	
Number of theft by shoplifting	8.20	11.33	3	4	1	
Number of theft from motor vehicles	4.20	2.00	1	4	3	
Prevention and Intervention Activity	<p>Covid lockdown in our Badenoch and Strathspey area communities brought out the best in the majority of our people. Communities have rallied around their vulnerable residents and we have all collectively looked out for our neighbour. However, it was important also to send out the message that less scrupulous individuals' may seek to exploit vulnerability.</p> <p>National and local online messaging encouraged people to think about their personal safety and encouraged individuals to be vigilant about who they may wish to engage with and accept help from.</p>					

**PRIORITY – Antisocial Behaviour, Violence and Disorder**

**Intention –Engage with the public and communities to reduce and prevent crime**

**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 2019/20	YTD 2020/21	YTD Variation	Context/Narrative
Licensed Premises Checks			314	121	-193	
Increase the number of offences reported for the supply or being concerned with the supply of drugs.	1.2	1.33	3	3	0	
Reduce the number of Breach of the Peace/Threatening, Abusive behaviour Crimes	26.4	22.33	31	10	-21	
Reduce the occurrences of common assault	32.20	30.33	39	18	-21	
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	27.60	29.33	31	18	-13	

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Number of stop and searches conducted (total)	34	7 (20.6%)
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**PRIORITY – Protecting Vulnerable People**

**Intention – Support people considered vulnerable through working with partners**

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Class 2 Crimes -sexual crimes	12.80	13.67	12	11	-1	Enquiries in relation to sexual crimes are focused on positive outcomes for victims of crime and led by their wishes. This figure also includes reporting of non-recent incidents.
Ensure that people who report hate incidents feel satisfied with the response received from public agencies.	During March, N Division welcomed HMICS where our Hate Crime processes were subject to a thematic review. When the results are available, they will be shared with elected members.					
Missing Persons	<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>There have been 50 missing person reports in South Highland during the reporting period. Of this figure, 36% 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. This figure is in contrast to the same period last year where there were 113 missing person reports of which 47% related to children and care experienced young people.</p>					

**PRIORITY – Terrorism and Public Order**

**Intention – Prevent, Pursue, Protect and Prepare through collaborative preparedness**

**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).**

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