



Community Council Meeting Updates

Our focus..... Your priorities

INTRODUCTION

This report covers progress we have made in dealing with your priorities for the **Barrhead Community Council** area for the period **1st April to 30th April 2018**. A list of these priorities is provided at the end of this report for your reference.

This report aims to highlight emerging issues in your area, and to provide crime prevention advice and guidance to the members of the Community Council and to the residents that they represent.

This document does not provide a comprehensive statistical breakdown of numbers of crimes reported as this does not provide any context for the reader.

INFORMATION

1. Homes being broken in to

No dwelling houses have been reported as being broken in to in your Community Council area during the period under review.

We have received two reports of motorcycles being stolen in the Barrhead area on the 15th April. The first occurred during the early hours of the morning from Lyoncross Avenue. The second occurred later that morning at an address in Paisley Road.

It is likely that a vehicle may have been used to convey these stolen motorcycles away. We would be keen to receive any information from the public who may have information in relation to these thefts, and would encourage residents to report any suspicious persons or vehicles they see, at the time, by phoning 101 or 999 in an emergency.

2. Antisocial behaviour and disorder

Nationally, there are strong links between consumption of alcohol by youths and subsequent acts of disorder and vandalism. Our Problem Solving Team officers are working closely with East Renfrewshire Council licensing department in an effort to reduce the unlawful sale and supply of alcohol to young people. Newly implemented minimum pricing of alcohol legislation in Scotland is enforceable by the local authority and we will be working closely with them in relation to these changes as well.

We encourage any person who witnesses the supply of alcohol to an underage person, or who is asked by an underage person to purchase alcohol on their behalf, to report this to the police immediately.

On the evening of the 13th April, officers attended reports of a disturbance by youths in Divernia Way. A 13 year old girl was subsequently arrested and charged with conducting herself in a threatening and abusive manner and with assaulting a police officer.

Recurring locations relating to reports of youth disorder are Divernia Way, Main Street, and public parks in Barrhead. Our officers continue to provide regular pro-active patrols to these areas.

About 8-15pm on the 15th April, a 46 year old woman was arrested in Southpark Avenue, following a disturbance in the street.

About 11-30pm on the 17th April, a 36 year old man was arrested outside an address in Aurs Road, Barrhead, following a disturbance that had been reported.

About 7pm on the 19th April, a 35 year old man was arrested following reports of a disturbance near to Barrhead railway station.

A number of Wilful Fireraisings have been recorded during the month of April. On the evening of the 10th April, a wheelie bin was set on fire in Moorhouse Street. Around the same time a fire was set outside a house in Crebar Drive.

Overnight on the 21st into 22nd April, fire damage was caused to a tree in the garden of a house in Stewart Street, Barrhead.

Our Campus Police Officers are currently working alongside our partners from the Scottish Fire & Rescue Service, who are delivering fire safety inputs at High Schools in East Renfrewshire, in particular in relation to wheelie-bin fires.

About 5-15 am on the morning of the 26th April a vehicle was deliberately set on fire at an address in Fenwick Drive, Barrhead. CID officers have been investigating this matter and enquiries are ongoing.

Vandalisms to motor cars continue to be reported, particularly within the Auchenback area. All such reports are thoroughly investigated, and we would encourage any residents who may witness vandalisms occurring, to report these immediately, at the time, via 101.

3. Violent Crime

A 15 year old boy has been charged with Serious Assault after a 16 year old male sustained a facial injury during a disturbance outside an address in Newton Avenue, Barrhead on the 7th April.

4. Drug dealing and misuse

On the 11th April a drugs search warrant was executed at an address in Gertrude Place, Barrhead. A quantity of cannabis and a number of tablets have been seized. A 30 year old man is the subject of a report to the procurator fiscal.

In addition to this, the following drugs detections have been made in your Community Council area by Local Policing Team officers and Problem Solving Team officers carrying out proactive patrols;

- 6th April – Cogan Street, 18 year old man in possession of cannabis
- 20th April – Main Street, 18 year old man in possession of cannabis
- 23rd April – Newton Avenue, 39 year old man in possession of cannabis and heroin

We continue to encourage residents to report any information they may have relating to the supply of drugs by phoning 101, or anonymously via Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

CRIME PREVENTION

At this time of year, it is not uncommon for us to observe seasonal increases in reports of thefts from sheds/garages and other outbuildings. Please take the time to ensure that such buildings are well secured. Consider fitting a shed alarm, or more advanced security measures if higher value items are stored within.

Please report any suspicious persons or activity via 101, or in an emergency, by dialling 999.

Neighbourhood Watch Scotland

Have you signed up for Neighbourhood Watch Scotland alerts yet? We have now started issuing alerts on this system.

Further information can be found at

www.neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk

By signing up to this service you will receive crime prevention information relevant to both local and national issues.

LOCAL PRIORITIES

The East Renfrewshire Local Policing Plan 2017-2020 can be found in full on the Police Scotland website

<http://www.scotland.police.uk/your-community/greater-glasgow/east-renfrewshire/>

This document explains our National and Local Policing Priorities how these have been identified and how they are linked to the Fairer East Ren – Local Outcomes Improvement Plan

The local Policing Priorities for East Renfrewshire have been identified as

Homes being broken into

Antisocial behaviour and disorder

Violent crime

Drug dealing and misuse

Child abuse including child sexual exploitation

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Twitter - @policescotland

Twitter - @GreaterGlasgPol

Twitter - @EastRenPolice

Facebook – PoliceScotland

Web – Scotland.police.uk

101 – Non emergency

999 – Emergency

0800 555 111 - Crimestoppers