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HIGHLAND COUNCIL

Committee: Nairnshire Committee

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Report Title: Police – Area Performance Summary Report

1 April 2017 - 31 March 2018

Report By: Chief Inspector Brian MacKay, Area Commander

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 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- 31 March 2018.

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.
- 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: 28 August 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 – 31 March 2018.

NAIRN- PERFORMANCE AGAINST LOCAL POLICING PLAN 2017/20 01 April 2017 – 31 March 2018

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 Nairn		0	0	-	No fatal road collisions in this reporting period.	
Number of people detected for drink / drug driving offences	South Highland – Due to system	95	111	16	Includes failure to provide a specimen	
Number of people detected for speeding.	configurations these figures are not	2186	1872	-314		
Number of people detected for mobile phone offences.	available at multi-member ward level.	63	29	-34		
Number of people detected for seat belt offences		108	77	-31		
Prevention and Intervention Activity	Driving Ambition was delivered to pupils at Nairn Academy during June 2017. Further sessions are scheduled for later in 2018.					
Road Traffic Operations/Campaigns	Rider Refinement North - A new training scheme to help reduce the number of collisions involving motorcyclists has been launched by road safety partners including Highland Council and SFRS in the north of Scotland and Highlands. The 'Rider Refinement North' one day course, which has been part funded by Transport Scotland's Road Safety Framework Fund, will be led by qualified police motorcyclists and take place on various dates across the summer period in Highland area. There are 7 scheduled sessions in Highland between May and October 2018, with a maximum of 12 places per session.					

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			308	493	185	37% increase on same period last year.
Increase the number of positive stop searches/ confiscations for those possessing alcohol.						See Stop and Search details at Antisocial
Increase the number of positive stop searches/ confiscations for those possessing drugs.						Behaviour / Disorder section below
Increase the number of offences reported for the supply or being concerned with the supply of drugs.	2.4	2	3	2	-1	
Reduce the number of Breach of the Peace/Threatening, Abusive behaviour Crimes	75.8	62.3	43	74	31	High detection rate 93.3%
Reduce the occurrences of common assault	83.6	79.3	70	98	28	High detection rate 85.7%
Reduce the number of premises currently escalated to Stage 3 noisy behaviour through Operation Notebook.				0		There are currently no premises at Stage 3 in the Nairn area although a premises is currently being reviewed by the Nairn, Badenoch and Strathspey Response Team.
Number of antisocial behaviour orders in place.				0		There are currently no antisocial behaviour orders in place in the Nairn area.
Reduce the incidents of vandalism	47.2	44.3	33	52	19	

Prevention and Intervention Activity

Dedicated antisocial behaviour and community Police officer appointed by local inspector. Ongoing liaison between agencies and school with a view to carrying out early intervention work with youths. Dedicated proactive patrols taking places regularly.

Violence, Disorder & Antisocial Behaviour - Stop and Searches						
	April 2017 – Mar 2018	April 2017 – Mar 2018 (Positive)	Victims	% Change		
Number of stop and searches conducted (total)	92	26				
Number of consensual stop and searches conducted	7	2				
Number of consensual stop and searches refused	-	-				
Number of seizures made	3	-				

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. No previous year to date figures are provided as it has been previously acknowledged this data is not 100% accurate, therefore comparisons will provide misleading results or invalid conclusions.

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.

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 2016/17	YTD 2017/18	YTD Variation	Context/Narrative
Number of Theft by Housebreaking	17.4	14.3	6	9	3	
Number of theft by shoplifting	26.4	34	18	32	14	High detection rate 84.4%. Ongoing work relating to tactical planning, prevention and intervention strategies implemented across the Division to inhibit this type of criminality
Number of theft from motor vehicles	11.2	9.3	8	3	-5	
Prevention and Intervention Activity	The Banking Protocol is an initiative between the police, banking institutions & Trading Standards. Its aim is at the earliest opportunity to identify vulnerable victims who are in the process of being defrauded of funds from their bank accounts by unscrupulous criminals and to intervene to prevent these crimes. Victims, particularly elderly and other vulnerable people are targeted by suspects for a range of fraud offences, including courier fraud and bogus worker offences. These crimes often involve the perpetrator encouraging the victim to attend their bank, post office or other financial services provider in person and withdraw or transfer cash. The Protocol is designed to provide a standardised method for how these concerns are dealt with and reported to police and to stop multiple victimisation. This protocol commenced nationally and in the Nairn region during March 2018.					

PRIORITY – Protecting People at Risk of Harm

Intention – Protect people at risk of harm

Objective – 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 2016/17	YTD 2017/18	YTD Variation	Context/Narrative
Class 2 Crimes - sexual crimes	9.6	10.6	12	6	-6	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.	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	Missing Persons – During this reporting period, there have been 141 missing person reports in the South Highland Command area. Of this figure, 72% of investigations relate to missing children and missing looked after children. This figure does not include missing persons from other areas who are traced in the South Highland Command area. These incidents represent a very high risk area of police business and necessitate immediate response. Police Scotland employs a missing person co-ordinator who meets with the local authority on a weekly basis to review placements for looked after children. Where necessary this includes daily contact when incidents occur.					

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	Divisional Operation - intelligence development and investigation into drug supply and use in educational establishments throughout the Division, including Nairn. All intelligence will continue to be monitored daily and passed to the local area inspector for proactive approach. 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 the Division and in the Nairn Area over the current reporting year.
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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

Workshop to Raise Awareness of Prevent (WRAP)

WRAP is an interactive facilitated workshop aimed at front line staff such as police, social serves, probation, education and health staff. It seeks to support staff to recognise that using their existing expertise and professional judgement, they may be able to recognise potentially vulnerable individuals.

Work is ongoing to develop contacts in the Nairn area in order to run workshops for relevant staff.