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Portobello Community Council - Police Report

1. EAST NEIGHBOURHOOD

Area Commander

Chief Inspector Andy McLean is the Area Commander for the East Neighbourhood Area (East NA) and is responsible for response policing, performance management and the daily management of personnel. He is based at Craigmillar Police Station.

Ward 17 - Inspector

Inspector Roddy Hardy is in charge of the Craigmillar and Portobello ward Community Policing Team (CPT).

The CPT's covering the East NA and those across Edinburgh have been restructured to ensure that local officers are visible and assessable when needed and are able to prioritise and tackle the issues that are important to their community. From 13th January 2014, the CPT's have had an increase of officers and, in contrast to before this date, will be available for greater periods of the day and during peak demand during the evenings 7 days a week and 24 hours at weekends. Sgt John Young – is available as a point of contact and able to manage specific local issues that emerge in the Portobello/Joppa area.

Edinburgh Division have also implemented an appointment system which means people will be able to see officers about non-emergency issues at a time and place that is convenient for them. We have arranged and met 39 such appointments in the past week.

Police Station Counter Opening Hours

Police Scotland is to introduce changes to the public counter opening hours at Police Stations from Monday 3 March 2014.

The opening times of public counters at Police Stations across Scotland now fall into five categories:

- A – Open 24 hours, 7 days a week
- B – 0700 hours – midnight, 7 days a week
- C – 0800 hours – 1800 hours, 7 days a week
- D – 0900 hours – 1700 hours, Monday-Friday
- E – Shared service or No full time provision

Portobello police station – 0800-1800, 7 days
Craigmillar police station – 0900-1700 Monday-Friday

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2. CRIME UPDATE – Portobello/Joppa

- February has seen a reduction of 19 recorded crimes compared to January with a solvency rate so far of 42%.
- Unfortunately properties are still being targeted in particularly garden sheds/garages for pedal cycles
- Sixteen males have been charged with housebreaking offences following another week of Operation RAC enforcement activity in Edinburgh. Officers investigating various break-ins, thefts and attempted break-ins across the Capital, identified the individuals aged 13-36-years-old over the past seven days and reported them for over 200 acquisitive crimes. As a result of this activity housebreaking detection in Edinburgh has risen to 61 per cent between 11th and 18th February, with the average detection rate for the city now at over 51 per cent since the beginning of 2014. Each of those arrested has either appeared in court during this week or is currently subject of a report to the Procurator Fiscal.
- There has been a recent spate of vandalisms to vehicles parked at West Brighton Crescent and enquiries are ongoing.
- Extra patrols have been deployed at weekends to tackle anti-social behaviour with licensed premises being regularly visited and a Campaign Against Violence (CAV) day with extra officers being deployed will take place again this weekend

Anyone who wishes to give any anonymous information about a crime can contact Crimestoppers on 0800-555-111

- There has been 3 vehicular accidents reported , 2 being minor injury and 1 damage only at Abercorn Terrace, Sir Harry Lauder Road and Musselburgh Road.

3. LOCAL PRIORITIES - Craigmillar & Portobello Multi Member Ward Plan

Over the last year we held a number of consultations to find out exactly what you want the police to do in your area. We will tackle these issues along with our partners, and through prevention and early intervention methods, reduce crime and disorder and increase public reassurance.

You identified that the policing priorities for the Craigmillar and Portobello area were:

1. Antisocial behaviour

You told us there were problems with street drinking and disorderly behaviour including vandalism and graffiti.

2. Housebreaking and other theft

You told us you were worried about your property being broken into and/or your

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belongings stolen.

3. Drugs

You told us you were concerned about people dealing in and using illegal drugs.

4. Assault and violent crime

You told us you were concerned about the threat of violent crime in your area.

4. Crime Prevention Advice

Crime prevention advice can be found by visiting the Police Scotland website.

<http://www.scotland.police.uk/>

6. *News Stories*

Look at Police Scotland Web page for the latest news in your area and read the Local Policing Plan.

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7. YOUR POLICE OFFICE

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