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Non-emergency telephone number
101

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999

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**18000 in an emergency or
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Aberdeen City

West End Community Policing Team Quarterly Policing Update October 2013

I extend you a warm welcome to the second quarterly policing update for the City of Aberdeen since the introduction of the Police Service of Scotland on 1 April 2013.

Police Scotland has provided Aberdeen City Division with a unique opportunity to develop a policing style that fits directly with the hundreds of thousands of people who live, work and use our vibrant city as part of their everyday life. Aberdeen is unique in so many ways and I am delighted with the industry and enthusiasm continuously displayed by the Police Officers and Police Staff under my supervision as they strive, in partnership with our communities and partners, to reduce crime and detect offenders in line with our strategy of Keeping People Safe. I am encouraged that whilst we continue to look across the country for examples of good practice, many other areas have adopted some of our ways of working as their own.

Within this quarterly update you will find out more about what progress has been made by your Community Policing Team in addressing the issues you previously raised and about further work to be carried out in the coming months.

Please be assured that we always endeavour to have the right people, in the right place, at the right time, so that our resources match the demands placed on us. In doing so, we will make every effort to ensure that Aberdeen continues to be one of the safest and most welcoming cities in the country.

Kind regards,



Chief Superintendent Adrian Watson
Local Police Commander

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Our Force Strategic Priorities

- Acquisitive Crime
- Antisocial Behaviour
- National Security
- Protecting People
- Safer Roads
- Serious and Organised Crime
- Violent Crime

West End Community Policing Team

Welcome to the latest update for the West End Community Policing Team.

Since my last update we have been operating as Police Scotland for the past six months, continuing to work hard on a range of initiatives based on what you have been telling us are the main issues within the Airyhall, Ashley, Braeside, Broomhill, Craigiebuckler, Ferryhill, Mannofield, Ruthrieston and Seafield areas of Aberdeen.

Hopefully you have noticed that for us it is very much business as usual.

Safer Roads

We have been continuing with our work to address issues with inconsiderate driving, speeding and failing to obey road signs, particularly at pedestrian crossings and in furtherance of this, in addition to our routine patrols, we have worked on a range of planned operations across the West End aimed at keeping road users safe.

Roadways outside schools, which have seen drivers both educated and reported for a wide range of offences, continue to cause us concern and I would urge drivers to consider the corresponding numbers of inexperienced young pedestrians and cyclist on the roads around schools when planning their route and make sure they drive safely, considerately, and to the conditions.

Opportunities for crime

A number of break-ins have demanded our attention recently, relating to both secure and insecure premises, including some still under construction or renovation, in addition to further car thefts and break-ins to vehicles.

Whilst varying degrees of property security have been overcome, on some occasions the perpetrators have taken advantage of insecure property and windows partially ajar during the recent spell of warm weather.

As a policing team and a division we have recognised the issue and in addition to thorough and timely investigation of matters being reported to us which has seen our efforts rewarded with several positive results over recent weeks, we have been carrying out planned overnight crime patrols in the affected areas within the West End.

Part of our strategy also revolves around the on-going need to provide strong crime prevention advice focussing on securing property (houses & cars), removing valuable

property from vehicles overnight, and making sure that car keys and valuable are not immediately apparent within dwellings.

The Police Scotland website includes excellent crime prevention advice giving property owners invaluable guidance on how to make things harder for these criminals.

Additionally there have been a few times recently when members of the public have seen or heard suspicious persons during the hours of darkness, but for various reasons have elected not to call us at that time, waiting up to an hour, or occasionally till next morning to call us.

This has obviously limited our ability to respond immediately and hopefully catch perpetrators or check out suspicious persons nearby and we take every opportunity to encourage people to phone in either via '101', or '999' if the matter is on-going.

I sometimes hear people saying they "didn't want to bother us" when they saw something untoward and were unsure whether or not to call us. I want to take this opportunity to reassure you all that nothing could be further from the truth. We always encourage people to let us make the decision as to who may or not be suspicious, and ask that you play your part in letting us do that by calling in at the time if you are at all uneasy.

Our efforts with regards to these recent issues are on-going and will continue.

Keeping People Safe

Going forward the aim of the officers within the West End CPT is to provide our communities with a quality service, to detect and reduce opportunities to commit crime and ultimately to keep people safe.

Thank you for reading this latest update on our activity. We will continue to keep you updated on the work being done.

If you have any comments or issues you wish to discuss please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards,



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