

BRAESIDE & MANNOFIELD Community Council Report

This report covers progress we have made in dealing with your priorities for the Braeside & Mannofield Community Council area during the period 1st July to 31st July 2018.

The report aims to highlight emerging issues in your area, and to provide crime prevention advice and guidance to Community Council members and residents you represent. Our focus is to reduce crime and disorder, help create safer communities and respond effectively to local concerns.

Community Policing Priorities

Antisocial behaviour, Violence and Disorder:

The Antisocial Behaviour calls within area relate primarily to the inconsiderate use of our open spaces and parks during the better weather recently, we would not only urge everyone to use them responsibly clearing up after themselves and showing consideration for local residents but that the local residents remind themselves that the areas are for everyone to use and enjoy.

There have been a small number of reported vandalisms at the beginning of the month predominantly in the Morningside area which consisted of glass being broken, if anyone is aware of anyone going about with a catapult in suspicious circumstances please let us know. There has been 1 report of an assault in which the young person responsible will be reported to the Youth Justice unit.

Acquisitive Crime:

There have been no reports of acquisitive crime during this period, however in the good weather we would always recommend locking your cycles to each other or something substantial within your shed, don't make it easy for them. Drawing on other areas recent experience if your vehicle has keyless entry please check where ever you keep the keys within the house does not cause the vehicle to unlock.

Road Safety & Road Crime:

In response to your requests Officers will be taking a robust approach balancing education with enforcement to ensure the relatively small minority who are responsible for committing offences and antisocial behaviour with vehicles are held accountable for their actions. We will be working with partners and making use of antisocial behaviour legislation. Residents in the areas affected by antisocial driving are encouraged to contact Police on 101 at the time to report incidents in order for us to take positive action.

We would also remind some of our Adults that whilst for them riding a cycle on the pavement is not allowed for children doing their paper rounds it is ok.

Community Engagement & Reassurance

I hope we have all been able to take advantage of the terrific weather recently by spending more time outdoors, as always we would ask you to lock garden tools & cycles away after use and if you're in the back garden is your front door unlocked?

As more of us enjoy the open recreational spaces Aberdeen has to offer be it the Deeside way, the Hazlehead parks and trails or anyone of the garden parks we have dotted across the city, we would ask you to take a little time and consider those others using them and how they got there, perhaps by car by cycle or even by horse. Each requires a different consideration from other road users you can find out more here.

http://www.scotland.police.uk/keep-safe/road-safety/

http://www.scotland.police.uk/whats-happening/news/2017/october/drivers-urged-togive-horses-plenty-of-room

In the summer months the majority of our antisocial behaviour calls are about young people who "might be up to something" or "look like they're up to no" good or even are making a racket in a play park. As adults I would hope you would cast your mind back to when you were that age and remember the vast majority of our young people whilst a bit loud and occasionally boisterous are doing anything than being perfectly acceptable children.

Conversely if when you look at someone or a group and instinctively know they are up to no good let us know as these are the people we need to know about.

Over the last couple of months we have spoken about the frauds below, if there are any local groups who would like us to attend and have a chat please let us know if they are not in our area they can find their local policing team to contact here.

http://www.scotland.police.uk/your-community/north-east/

Just please remember no matter how plausible the "security alert on your account" may seem or convincing "the police officer/bank manager/security expert" may be.

YOUR BANK OR THE POLICE WILL **NEVER** CONTACT YOU OVER THE PHONE AND ASK YOU TO TRANSFER MONEY BETWEEN ACCOUNTS. Please look here and ensure your seniors or perhaps less tech savvy community members are aware.

http://www.scotland.police.uk/keep-safe/keep-secure-online/phishing-internetshopping

National Campaigns

Door step crime increases with the lighter nights this time of year, often in the guise of Bogus Workmen they pray on the elderly and other vulnerable groups in our community. If someone you know is suddenly getting work done in their property that they have never mentioned, ask them about it, if it seems suspicious contact either ourselves or our partners within Aberdeen City Council Trading Standards <u>https://www.aberdeencity.gov.uk/services/business-and-licensing/tradingstandards/trading-standards</u>

This time of year a number of our young people look to move away from home and into further education, the advice below will be invaluable in keeping those loved ones safe.

http://www.scotland.police.uk/keep-safe/personal-safety/student-safety

What to know more about how we measure up, this is where to find out.

http://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/our-performance/



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Also available are the three following contact email addresses for the West End:

<u>AiryhallBroomhillGarthdeeCPT@Scotland.pnn.police.uk</u> <u>HazleheadAshleyQueensCrossCPT@Scotland.pnn.police.uk</u> <u>TorryFerryhillCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk</u>

The primary purpose of these e-mail addresses is for residents to report non-criminal queries, such as passing attentions, information, advice and non-criminal quality of life issues, such as youth annoyance. **These e-mail addresses are not for reporting crimes or offences**. The process for reporting any crimes or offences is to call 101 (Aberdeen Service Centre) who will log the call on our Command and Control system and allocate the incident to our area. Using this process negates the possibility of the report being missed and also ensures that the callers detail, addresses and telephone numbers are noted for our awareness and response.

Should you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to discuss these with the Officer attending your Community Council Meeting or by emailing the above

e-mail addresses or our Service Centre. It is not necessary to wait until the meeting and Inspector Cowie welcomes your contact.

Please make sure your voice is heard and visit the Police Scotland website and click on 'Your View Counts' to complete the online survey.



Contact Us

Please also remember you can communicate with us using any of the following:

- ➤ 101 Non emergency;
- Email <u>*****CPT@Scotland.pnn.police.uk;</u>
- Facebook www.facebook.com/NorthEastPoliceDivision;
- Web www.scotland.police.uk;
- ➢ ☎ 999 Emergency;
- > 🕾 0800 555 111 Crimestoppers.