



Ashley and Broomhill Community Council Report

This report covers progress we have made in dealing with your priorities for the Ashley and Broomhill Community Council area during February 2023.

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.

As I continue to say at every meeting, this area is very safe for all that reside and work here, and by remaining vigilant we can keep it like that.

Community Policing Priorities

Antisocial behaviour, Violence and Disorder:

It's unusual for licences premises in this area to have any issues as they are generally well run. On the 25th, police were called to outside the Great Western Hotel, to a report of 4 males fighting. On arrival no one was found, and the premises advised that none of their patrons had left. Its unclear if this was a prank call or whether those responsible left when they heard the Police attending.

At the beginning of March, Police received a report of a recycling bin on fire on Holburn Road, Scottish Fire and Rescue were called and attended. They advised that the fire could have been accidental and as such police did not attend.

Acquisitive Crime:

At the beginning of the February, Police received a call regarding a dog within a van, whilst there was concerns for the animal, the caller was signposted to RSPCA who are the primary agency for concerns regarding animals. The caller also advised that she believed the males who own the van were "travellers" and were stealing the dogs, as she had seen it on Facebook. I would take the opportunity to advise that there have been no reported "dog thefts" in Aberdeen and this is simply the social media hype.

Also at the beginning of the month Police were made aware of a call to Newland Avenue, where an elderly resident had agreed for a company to carry out work on her roof. She paid a four figure sum upfront for the work. He son later had the work examined and realised that they had done damage to the roof. After liaison between ourselves and Trading Standards, it was agreed that Trading Standards would take

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the lead in the enquiry as they have more effective legislation to deal with these incidents. It again acts a warning to residents to not deal with door to door tradesmen.

Again this month, another Facebook market place scam, the resident of Great Western Road, sold an item an item, where he posted it to London, but failed to receive the payment, as the crime is committed in London, statements were made and a package sent to the Met Police for progression.

Police were called to Iceland on the 16th of the month regarding an aggressive shoplifter that had been challenged by Staff on leaving with goods. The staff rightly allowed the male to leave and on police attendance statements and CCTV footage were seized. There was another theft at the store on the 4th of March, again CCTV has been obtained. Both these crimes are still under investigation.

Road Safety & Road Crime:

On the 3rd the driver of car that had collided with a parked car close to Broomhill School, causing minor damage to the parked vehicle, called Police to admit responsibility, she hadn't noted the registration of the damaged vehicle, but advised it was a grey 4x4 style. Officer attended to try and trace the damaged vehicle, which had moved, the owner of the damaged vehicle has never contacted the Police.

An unusual request for assistance from Social Work on the 14th of the month regarding an elderly resident of the area who they believed not fit to drive any more. Road Policing supported the CPT in this enquiry and attended at the address and were in agreement with the Social Workers assessment. They submitted the relevant paperwork to the DVLA for her to have an assessment if she wished to contest their findings. Making sure drivers are fit and able to drive is an important part of Road Safety.

A resident of Holburn Street called Police regarding damage he discovered to his vehicle on the morning of the 16th Feb. He was parked on Holburn Street, beside the entrance to Abergeldie Bowling Club. His grey 69 plate van appeared to have been hit whilst someone was trying to park in front of it, but drove off after colliding. No details were left.

Community Engagement & Reassurance

In response to concerns raised by community councils and residents regarding anti-social driving of vehicles around Holburn Street, Anderson Drive and Broomhill Road area, as well as across into Riverside Drive and Asda Garthdee, Roads Policing carried out an operation in Aberdeen over the weekend of 18th Feb. In total 10 drivers were reported for various motoring offences and a further number were issues with ASB warnings allowing Police to seize vehicles if they are caught in similar circumstances. This was on top of their usual patrols, which also result in them seizing 2 uninsured vehicles from drivers in the area during February.

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

AiryhallBroomhillGarthdeeCPT@Scotland.police.uk

HazleheadAshleyQueensCrossCPT@Scotland.police.uk

TorryFerryhillCPT@scotland.police.uk

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.

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 your local CPT Inspector, PI Searle welcomes your contact.

Contact Us

- Always dial **999** in an emergency
- By phone – 101 for non-emergencies (+44 (0) 141 308 1070 if calling from out with the UK. Network charges may apply).
- Our service advisors spend a lot of time each day answering calls on matters that are not actually the responsibility of the police. Please read the **Read this before you call 101** page first to ensure Police Scotland can assist with your non-emergency issue.
- Online – for issues of a non-serious nature using our **Contact Us form**
- In person – Find your local [Police Stations](#) and check the [Public Counter opening hours](#)
- Text Relay - 18001101 for deaf, deafened, hard of hearing or speech-impaired callers
- [Support for British Sign Language users/speakers](#)
- 0800 555 111 - Crimestoppers.

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