



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 July 2022.

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:

With the warm spell of weather and increasing footfall within the City Centre, particularly around the night time economy we continue to get sporadic calls that are predominantly alcohol and or substance abuse related.

Of note in the small hours on Sunday 3rd July officers were called to an address on Nellfield Place to persons kicking at a door. The occupant contacted Police who attended but no persons traced nor any descriptions passed. It is believed to be persons returning home from a night out but have got the wrong address.

Late at night on Saturday 9th July, on Holburn Street a male was assaulted resulting a slight injury. This was reported the following day by the victim. Enquiries identified the male responsible who was subsequently arrested, charged and reported to the Courts.

Again in the small hours of Wednesday 13th July near Broomhill Primary school officers spotted some young persons dressed in black and on seeing Police they made off, a search was made but they were not traced, officers have had reports of anti-social behaviour in this area previously and will continue patrols. Nothing of criminality was observed or subsequently reported.

Officers continue to carry out patrols and rely on members of the public contacting us to report any anti-social or disorderly behaviour.

Acquisitive Crime:

This month there have been no reported cases of acquisitive crime (theft type crimes) within our Community Council Area. I am not however naïve enough to believe no crime has occurred and with that in mind I continue to encourage anyone who is the

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victim of crime to report this. Equally if you see something suspicious please report this to Police, providing as much detail as you can of the persons involved, where they are, what they are doing and any vehicles they may be using.

Road Safety & Road Crime:

There have been no specific incidents of note in relation to Road Safety / Road Crime this month.

We continue to work with partners in response to specific complaints in terms of road traffic offences and road safety. Residents in the areas affected by antisocial driving are encouraged to contact Police on 101 at the time, to report incidents and provide as much description as possible of the vehicle(s)/person(s) in order for us to take positive action.

Community Engagement & Reassurance

With the better weather we are seeing more motorcyclists and Pedal Cyclists on the roads as such I thought I would include some advice for both this month, more information can be found on the Police Scotland internet site.

Road safety advice (Motorcyclists)

A lot of collisions and deaths in Scotland involve motorbikes.

Motorbike riders are more vulnerable on the roads than car drivers. Weather conditions changing, speeding and poor judgement in overtaking all add to that danger.

There are a number of things you can do to reduce the risk of crashing:

- Take time on bends on country roads
- Take extra care at junctions
- Take care when overtaking
- Only overtake when it is safe
- Know your motorcycle and what to do if you feel like you are losing control.

Clothing is important for you being seen and for your safety. During the day you should ensure you are wearing bright colours over your protective clothing. In the evening reflective clothing should be worn. **A helmet is required by law.**

Being safe on the road (Pedal Cyclists)

Many collisions happen to cyclists because car drivers don't see them until it is too late. This problem is worse at night and when the weather is bad. By wearing the right clothing, drivers will be more likely to see you.

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Bright and fluorescent materials should be worn in the daytime and reflective materials at night.

Fluorescent clothing allows drivers to see you a lot easier than dark clothing.

In order to be seen at night, you will need to wear reflective clothing. This reflects the light back at the drivers. This allows them to see you.

Reflective material is available as self-adhesive strips, stickers etc. It can easily be attached to clothes and other items such as bags.

Wearing a helmet may help protect your head if you are involved in a collision. Make sure this is fitted properly.

Maintaining your bike will make sure your bike is roadworthy. This will protect you on the road.

Below are a few things you should be checking:

- Brakes - fix them so they can be used with only a small amount of pressure
- Tyres – inflated to the correct pressure
- Chain – tension checked, clean and oiled
- Steering – headset correctly adjusted
- Reflector(s) – clean and ensure they are on view to other road users
- Lights - At night your bike must have a white front and your red back lights lit.

Your bike must also be fitted with a red rear reflector (and amber pedal reflectors, if manufactured after 1/10/85).

White front reflectors and spoke reflectors will also help you to be seen.

Flashing lights are allowed. It is recommended that cyclists who are riding in areas without street lighting use a steady front lamp.

What to do if you're involved in a collision with a motor vehicle?

Advice if you are involved in a collision with a motor vehicle.

- Get off the road and get to a safe place
- Stay calm
- Seek medical attention if required
- If you are injured or you suspect that an offence has occurred, you should report the incident to the Police
- Report this as soon as possible **and** within 24 hours (call 101 or attend at your local station)
- If there is a bad injury or the road is blocked, call 999 requesting the police or ambulance attendance

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- The driver of a motor vehicle **must** stop and provide their name, address and the name and address of the vehicle owner.
- They must also provide the vehicle registration number (Section 170 of the Road Traffic Act 1988)
- If the driver does not stop, note the registration number of any vehicles involved. Take details of any additional witnesses before contacting the police.

Visit Cycling Scotland for [Safety and Training Videos](#)

Children and bikes

When your child is learning to ride their bike take some time to teach them road safety skills:

- Teach your child how to check their bike is safe to use
- Make sure the bike is the right size for your child
- Make sure your child has a helmet which fits and is worn correctly (it should not be pushed too far back on the head)
- Helmets must be properly fastened and secure
- Make sure your child wears high-visibility clothing.
- Let your child know which roads they are allowed to cycle on
- Teach your child what hazards they should be aware of
- When out and about with your child look at cyclists and talk about how easy they are to see.

Find out if cycle training for your child is available in your area by visiting [the Bike Ability Scotland website](#).

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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 Sim welcomes your contact.

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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.