

**Community Council Report**

This report covers progress we have made in dealing with your priorities for the Ferryhill and Ruthrieston Community Council.

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:**

There were several calls across the CPT area regarding Males selling items door to door. They gave a version that they were ex-service men and that they were part of a programme to gain working experience after returning from the military. The items that they were selling were at heavily inflated prices and of poor quality. Whilst there was no obvious crime, several residents complained regarding the tactics of the sales men. On several occasions officers made search for the salesmen, but they were not tracked down as they appear to move between areas throughout the days. Trading Standards have been notified.

There have been a number of calls to Ferryhill Primary school regarding youths climbing onto the roof. Officers have taken details of several that have been found there and they have been returned to their parents, with their details being passed to the early intervention workers and to Ferryhill Primary School

On the 26th of December, Police received several reports of a male on Crown Street throwing food and other items at cars as they passed. The male was at a window on the 1st floor. There was no damage to any vehicles and when officers attended the male was no longer at the window. After a period of time they traced the male and was able to convey him to get the appropriate medical support.

In the early hours of the 1st of January, several residents of Holburn Street called regarding a male that was covered in blood walking down Holburn Street, Police units attended and the male was traced. Having celebrated New Year, the male was very drunk and had fallen repeatedly, due to the Ambulance Service being unavailable, Officers transferred him to Accident and Emergency.

**Acquisitive Crime:**

On the 12th of December a resident of Springbank Terrace called police and advised that overnight his work van had been broken in to a quantity of tools had been taken. Scenes of crime attended and carried out a forensic examination. Enquiries are ongoing and awaiting the results.

On the 16th of December a further break in to a car occurred on Ruthrieson Circle, where the car appears to have been left insecure. A wedding ring and some cash was removed from within the car. There was no forensic opportunities and enquiries are continuing.

On the 22nd of December, Tesco on Holborn Street reported a theft, where they were able to name the male responsible from previous incidents. The report was taken by the officers and a report submitted for an apprehension warrant to be issued by the court to assist in tracing the male.

**Road Safety & Road Crime:**

On the 14th a resident of Springbank Terrace reported that whilst driving along Rosebank Terrace he collided with a cyclist and resulted in an injury to his leg. Police and ambulance attended. Both drivers provided negative breath tests, but the driver of the car was given a fixed penalty notice for careless driving.

On the 31st of December a female reported that whilst driving on Ferryhill Road earlier in the day a cyclist had been verbally abusive and threatening towards her and she felt very intimidated. When officers attended and spoke with her, they established that the female driver had collided with the back wheel of the bike the cyclist, causing him to fall off, prior to him getting up, shouting and being aggressive towards her. She was given suitable advice regarding the manner of her driving.

On the 4th of January Police and Ambulance attended Springbank Place where there was a collision between a car and a motorbike. On attendance the circumstances were established and the injuries were of a minor nature. The driver of the car was given a fixed penalty ticket for careless driving and the rider of the bike was conveyed to ARI by officers after a delay with the ambulance.

With the introduction of the new legislation regarding vehicles parking on pavements, as anticipated there have been a significant number of calls regarding this. I would like to take the opportunity to clarify that this legislation is enforced by Aberdeen City Council with the Community Wardens and is not a police matter. My understanding is that at present the wardens are using this as an opportunity to educate the motorists, rather than going straight to enforcement.

**Community Engagement & Reassurance**

As highlighted in Decembers report, Westend and Hazlehead CPT continue to carry out Drug Search Warrants whenever we get sufficient intelligence to crave a warrant. This month we have done another 3 in this Community Council area.

The 27th of December was again a busy day for officers with Storm damage with several reports across the area of trees coming down causing damage to cars and buildings. On many occasions these were directed to the more appropriate service, either Scottish Fire and Rescue or Aberdeen City Council.

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To make it simpler for members of the public to contact their local policing team there is now 1 single point of contact, so they don’t have to navigate the existing 9 different mailboxes for the various CPT’s across the south of the City

AberdeenSouthCPT@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](https://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/how-we-do-it/call-handling/non-emergencies/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](https://www.scotland.police.uk/secureforms/contact/)
* In person – Find your local [Police Stations](https://www.scotland.police.uk/police-stations/) and check the [Public Counter opening hours](https://www.scotland.police.uk/contact-us/police-station-opening-hours/)
* Text Relay - 18001101 for deaf, deafened, hard of hearing or speech-impaired callers
* [Support for British Sign Language users/speakers](https://www.scotland.police.uk/contact-us/british-sign-language/)
* 0800 555 111 - Crimestoppers.