



# POLICE SCOTLAND

Keeping people safe

## Tayside Division

Angus LPA

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### LOCAL COMMUNITY POLICING AREA REPORT

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To be sent to the following Community Council email addresses on the 21<sup>st</sup> of each month outlining the previous month's activity.

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Glamis CC – [ewmunro21@yahoo.com](mailto:ewmunro21@yahoo.com)

Inverarity CC – [shortfamily4@hotmail.com](mailto:shortfamily4@hotmail.com)

Kirriemuir CC – [kirriemuircommunity@gmail.com](mailto:kirriemuircommunity@gmail.com) and [MAJHen100@aol.com](mailto:MAJHen100@aol.com)

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Newtyle and Eassie CC - [kateastra@aol.com](mailto:kateastra@aol.com)

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PART A

NATIONAL AND LOCAL CAMPAIGNS AND MESSAGES

# SHUT OUT SCAMMERS

Two words that will help us beat  
doorstep crime "no thanks"

#WhosAtTheDoor



## Shut Out Scammers

It's never easy to spot a bogus caller. Anyone can be a victim of household scams, but two words that will help us beat doorstep crime are simply "no thanks."

### Doorstep Checklist

If in doubt; keep them out

LOCK, STOP, CHAIN and CHECK

LOCK - Keep front and back doors locked

STOP - Don't open the door until you have checked through a viewer or window to see who is there

CHAIN - Use a door chain or bar

CHECK - Only let callers in if they have an appointment and you have confirmed they are genuine. Always ask for ID

Call the published number from the internet or phone directory for their company or service to check if they are legitimate. Do not use a telephone number provided by the caller. Remember to be on your guard if requested for personal or financial information over the phone or online, and be wary of mail scams (if it looks too good to be true, it probably is). Scammers can appear incredibly legitimate no matter what approach they use.

**Call 101 to report any suspicious activity. If you feel scared or threatened call 999 and ask for the police.**

Please see our partner sites for further information, help and advice.

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- For free message alerts from key information providers regarding incidents and crime prevention in your area, go to Neighbourhood Watch Scotland
- Get to know some of the most common fraud techniques in The Little Book of Big Scams
- Want advice on your consumer rights? Go to your local Citizens Advice Bureau or call the Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline on 0345 404 0506. They also have helpful information on Spotting a Scam, Reporting a Scam, and Common Scams
- Are you a victim or witness to a crime looking for free, confidential support? Call Victim Support Scotland on 0800 160 1985
- To report a matter to Trading Standards call 0345 404 0506
- Report scammers and fraudsters **ANONYMOUSLY** at Crimestoppers
- Care and Repair Scotland offers help and advice on assisting the aged and disabled to feel safe and secure in their homes
- For safety advice and to request a free fire safety visit, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service
- The Telephone Preference Service can help cut out unwanted sales, spam and scam phone calls

**Recent crimes/issues in the area:**

The Neighbourhood Watch alert system is up and running, with alerts being placed on a regular basis. The more people who get involved and sign up the better, [www.neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk](http://www.neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk)

**FORFAR**

This month in Forfar there have been three drink drivers arrested and four drivers traced with no insurance, one of whom had no driving licences.

With the fine weather and school holidays we have responded to a number of youths causing annoyance and concern for their safety as they have climbed onto roofs. Police have traced a number of youths responsible and warned them regarding their behavior. We also seized a motorbike which was being ridden around the Lour Road, Balmashanner area.

Two vandalisms have been detected and the following vandalism are currently under enquiry for April 2019. If you have any information regarding these crimes please contact any Police Officer.

Between 5/4 - 8/4 a window was smashed at Kennedy Care Group, Osnaburg Street. On 6<sup>th</sup> April damage caused to a Nissan Qashqai parked in Brander Ha. Between 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> a window was smashed at The Hour Image Gallery, Castle Street and a Vauhall Meriva had panel scratched while parked in Windyedge Place. On 18<sup>th</sup> a window was damaged at a house in Easterbank,,

One detected theft, three detected thefts by shoplifting whilst another four remain under enquiry with positive lines of enquiry.

## KIRRIEMUIR

On 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019 there was a vandalism to private property in Kinnordy Rd (elderly victim) a large stone was thrown through bedroom window this remains under enquiry.

On 6<sup>th</sup> April 2019 a series of anti-social behavior and vandalism in and around Kirrie town centre, one young adult reported to PF.

In Kirriemuir we have traced youths on scaffolding and causing general annoyance, several youths have been traced and warned and a number have also been reported regarding their behavior.

## LANDWARD/ RURAL WATCH

There have been two rural theft by housebreakings this month, one in the Glenisla area and the other near Glamis. Police appeal for residents to ensure property is as secure as possible, record any number plates of unusual vehicles in the area and report any suspicious behavior to us at the time.

Increased patrols are continuing in rural areas and residents are advised to ensure that their premises are secure and are asked to report anything suspicious to police, at the time on **101**.

Alerts are being placed on the Rural Watch platform which is now up and running in the local area.

**We are reminding our rural communities to be vigilant and report all suspicious activity.** Please also remember to secure buildings and consider improving security. We would also encourage you to sign up to the new Angus Rural Watch scheme at [www.ruralwatchscotland.co.uk](http://www.ruralwatchscotland.co.uk)

## Local Initiatives:

### SHUT OUT SCAMMERS

Community Officers met with Angus Social Work Adult Protection and Trading Standards. As a result of this joint agency approach 48 people in our area were identified as being particularly vulnerable to scams. This was based on information from Royal Mail as they may be targeted via postal system. All of the vulnerable people were visited individually and provided with advice, leaflets and call blockers.

If anyone has any questions regarding possible scams or wishes any further advice on this matter please contact your Community Policing Team (see details above)

## **BIN YOUR SPEED**

Safety Camera Partnership, Community Safety Department, Local Community Officers and Special Constables have started the process of placing stickers on wheelie bins. This campaign aims to remind people of the speed limit of 30 miles per hour. The risk of death is approximately four times higher when a pedestrian is hit at 40mph than at 30mph.

The areas visited already have been identified as places where speeding has been most prevalent. Other areas in Angus will be visited in the coming weeks.

## **ANTI-SOCIAL DRIVING OPERATION**

With the better weather, we are again focusing on anti-social driving behaviour. A local operation led by Road Traffic Officers will see targeted patrols in the Kirriemuir, Forfar and landward areas. The Community Policing Team and Special Constables will assist with this operation.

## **Counter Terrorism and Serious Organised Crime**

Police Scotland, through our Counter Terrorism Security Advisors and in liaison with the National Counter Terrorism Security Office (NaCTSO), has been busy working within the Crowded Places sector in order to keep people safe.

### **Be Reassured**

The threat from International Terrorism to the United Kingdom is at SEVERE.

### **Be Alert, Not Alarmed**

Police have exercised plans to respond to multi seated firearms attacks and may increase their presence in some areas. Don't become fearful or withdraw from the streets. Businesses and priority Crowded Places have been working with police (NaCTSO and the CTSA network) to protect sites and staff from a variety of terrorist attacks. This includes music, sport and entertainment venues, restaurants, hotels and shops.

Statements from Police Scotland are posted on the Police Scotland website, [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

Police Scotland will continue to work with all of our partners in order to Keep People Safe.

### **Be Vigilant and Report Suspicious Behaviour**

Police act on information from the public who report suspicious people or behaviour. I would encourage everyone to remain alert and vigilant and, "If you suspect it, report it" by contacting Police Scotland directly by calling 101. In an emergency dial 999 or report it through the [anti-terrorist hotline](#) on 0800 789 321.

Vigilant behaviour by staff and the public can disrupt attack planning. Businesses can run [Vigilance Campaigns](#) and their staff can attend Project Griffin events.

The following videos released by Counter Terrorism Police UK, show the best plans of action when encountering suspicious behaviour and items.

### **Plan Now What You Will Do to STAY SAFE**

'Stay Safe' principles (Run Hide Tell) give some simple actions to consider at an incident and the information that armed officers may need in the event of a weapons or firearms attack. Full guidance is contained on the [NaCTSO website](#).

More information about the 'Stay Safe' principles can be found at the following website: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/stay-safe-film>

Conduct a health check on your premises. [Crowded Place booklets](#) contain clear self-help guidance and check-lists.

- Review your building response plan to consider your response now and if the UK threat rises.

- Test and exercise with partners (around the table) to check your preparation for terrorism and wider business continuity (e.g. flooding/flu).

### **Suspicious Airport Behaviour – Project Pegasus**

Be vigilant around airports and airfields- notify Police Scotland of anything suspicious or which you have concerns about.

### **Suspicious Maritime Behaviour – Project Kraken**

Project Kraken delivers an enhanced crime and counter terrorist ‘vigilance’ capability within the maritime environment of Scotland.

### **Serious Organised Crime**

Serious Organised Crime a wide range of activities and individuals involved in areas such as drug trafficking, counterfeiting, money laundering, organised immigration crime and fraud.

Find out more about how to spot and report suspicious behaviour to help us Keep People Safe from terrorism and Serious Organised Crime on the Police Scotland website at <http://www.scotland.police.uk/keep-safe/280693/>



**COUNTER  
TERRORISM  
POLICING**

**If you see or hear something that could be terrorist related, ACT on your instincts and report it to the police, in confidence, at [gov.uk/ACT](http://gov.uk/ACT).**

Police Scotland is backing a UK-wide campaign to encourage the public to report suspicious behaviour and activity in a bid to prevent terrorism and save lives.

The call to action is part of the second phase of the ACT – Action Counters Terrorism – initiative, led by Counter Terrorism Policing, a collaboration of UK police forces working alongside intelligence agencies.

Research carried out by CT Policing suggests that three-quarters (75 per cent) of people who live in Scotland are concerned about terrorism. Two thirds (66 per cent) of people in the UK say they have become more concerned over the past year.

But while 82 per cent said they would report suspicious behaviour to police, many are unclear exactly what they should be looking for.

The campaign features a 60-second film based on real-life foiled plots. It shows examples of terrorist-related suspicious activity and behaviour, as well as attack planning methodology.

Some examples of suspicious activity or behaviour could potentially include:

- Hiring large vehicles for no obvious reason
- Buying or storing a large amount of chemicals, fertilisers or gas cylinders for no obvious reasons
- Taking notes or photos of security arrangements or inspecting CCTV cameras in an unusual way
- Looking at extremist material, or sharing and creating content that promotes or glorifies terrorism.
- Anyone who goes away travelling for long periods of time but is vague about where  
Someone carrying out suspicious or unusual bank transactions

Assistant Chief Constable Steve Johnson said: “We work tirelessly with security partners to identify and thwart the terrorist threat.

“But the public can also play a crucial role in helping to keep communities safe and we would encourage anyone with suspicions to report their concerns.

“We want to provide people with all the necessary information they need to help them identify suspicious activity and, more importantly, keep themselves safe and secure.

“Any piece of information could be vital in helping the police prevent terrorism and save lives. That cooperation between police and the public is Scotland’s greatest defence against the terrorist threat.”

Justice Secretary Michael Matheson said: “Public vigilance is key to help Police Scotland keep our communities safe from terror threats. I very much welcome this campaign which highlights a number of ways in which members of the public can spot suspicious activity and how to make the authorities aware.

“I would urge the public to note the kinds of activity to be on the lookout for. Anyone who feels they may have witnessed and anyone who feels they have witnessed suspicious behaviour should report it immediately.”

Anyone who wishes to report suspicious behaviour or activity can do so by calling Police Scotland on 101 or 999 in an emergency, or via the online tool at [gov.uk/ACT](https://www.gov.uk/ACT).

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## Contact Details

Call 101 for non-emergencies and general enquiries, in an emergency call 999. If you have information about a crime you can also contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.



<b>PART B</b>		
<b>Feedback from Community Council</b> (Issues raised worthy of police interest for feedback)		
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PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM – to Local Community Policing Team