



POLICE SCOTLAND

Keeping people safe

Tayside Division

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LOCAL COMMUNITY POLICING AREA REPORT – 21 st July 2022	
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To be sent to the following Community Council email addresses on the 21st of each month outlining the previous month's activity.

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NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED

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PART A

NATIONAL AND LOCAL CAMPAIGNS AND MESSAGES



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<http://www.scotland.police.uk/>

Offensive Weapons Act 2019



The [Offensive Weapons Act 2019](#) ("the 2019 Act") forms part of the UK Government's response to the rise in serious violence. It be implemented in Scotland in specific stages this year.

The Act creates new powers, amends existing legislation to control the sale of knives and corrosive substances and introduces new offences relating to their possession and use.

A summary of the legislative changes

From 28 June 2022

- It will be a criminal offence to have a corrosive substance in a public place (i.e. a substance which is capable of burning human skin by corrosion) unless there is a reasonable excuse or lawful authority for having the corrosive substance in a public place, including for use at work.
- Officers will be authorised to search a person for a corrosive substance if they have reasonable grounds for suspecting that a person is carrying a corrosive substance, and has committed or is committing an offence of having a corrosive substance in a public place.

From 1 December 2022

- It will be a criminal offence to possess in private any weapon [listed](#) in Article 2 of the Criminal Justice Act 1988 (Offensive Weapons) (Scotland) Order 2005[8].
- The act will prohibit the sale of any bladed articles (or sharply pointed item made or adapted for use for causing injury) to under 18s

The act also brings in additional sale and supply legislation for retailers.

Surrender and Compensation Scheme (1 July- 30 Sept 2022)

The Scottish Government is giving people the opportunity to surrender any offensive weapons which will soon become illegal to own in a private place.

The Surrender and Compensation Scheme will run from 1 July to 30 September 2022 and will invite members of the public to surrender their offensive weapons at designated police stations across the country. Weapons can be surrendered anonymously or if a Surrender Form is completed, the owner could be compensated.

You can visit the Scottish Government's website for more details of the scheme.

Recent crimes/issues in the area: Assessment period 23/06/2022 – 21/07/2022

Police dealt with 102 calls within the Kirriemuir area and 474 in Forfar area during this period.

82 crimes were subsequently recorded in this period for Forfar and Kirriemuir.

Group 1 - Crimes of violence, including murder, rape, extortion, serious assault, robbery – 1

Group 2 - Sexual Crimes – 2

Group 3 - Crimes of Dishonesty – 26

Group 4 – Fire Raising, Vandalism, Malicious Mischief, Reckless Conduct – 14

Group 5 – Other Crimes including Breach of Bail, Weapons, Drugs offences – 7

Group 6 – Miscellaneous Crimes including Assaults, Police Assaults, Threatening behaviour, Stalking, - 25

Group 7 – Road Traffic Offences – 6

Group 98 - Others - 1

Emerging issues:

There continues to be reports of youths causing annoyance in and around the areas of Kirriemuir Hill, Forfar Loch and the old Lochside Leisure Centre with acts of drinking, anti-social behaviour and vandalism. We are aware that some incidents are not being reported to police, however we ask members of the public to report such incidents, especially if they see them unfold in front of them. Parents should also ask themselves if they know where their child is, who is in their friendship group and if they know what they are doing when they are out at night.

Dedicated foot, and cycle patrols are to be carried out in these areas by Community Officers, assisted by Special Constables over coming weeks.

Further, with the recent drier weather the water levels are lower than normal around Loch of Lintrathen and Backwater Reservoir. Among other interests, this attracts those wishing to wild

camp in these areas and close to the shores. Unfortunately, some wild campers are prone to leaving their “campsite” in a mess, leaving behind waste (general and human), camping equipment and the remnants of barbeques / fires.

Scottish Water, along with local councillors and members of the public are regularly holding meetings to discuss ways to combat this problem. They are also carrying out patrols in these areas to educate those camping, reminding them of their responsibilities. They have also carried out litter patrols and have recovered a substantial amount of waste. Clearly, this is unacceptable.

Everyone is responsible for cleaning up their own mess and leaving the site as they found it, i.e. spotless.

Other topics of note or messages:



Wash your hands.



Use a tissue for coughs and sneezes.



Avoid touching your face.

www.nhsinform.scot/coronavirus

Emerging issues:

Contact Details

Your Community

Effective policing isn't just about enforcement. It's about working in and with our communities to identify and solve problems. That's why we've restructured our community policing so that it's easier for you to know who we are, what we do and how to get in touch with us.

Please note that the email addresses given for each community ward are general email address for contacting your Community Policing Team, and are monitored by Operational Police Officers amongst their other main duties.

They are not monitored constantly, and it may be some time before your email is actually read by an officer, particularly out with normal office hours.

If you wish to report a crime, ring 101 or in an emergency 999. Never use these email addresses for reporting crime.

If you have information about a crime you can also contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

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