# Notice of Meeting and Agenda



# **Police and Fire and Rescue Board**

- Venue: Council Chambers, Midlothian House, Dalkeith, EH22 1DN
- Date: Monday, 26 August 2019
- Time: 11:00

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The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for 18 November 2019 at 11.00 am

# **Minute of Meeting**



# **Police and Fire and Rescue Board**

Date	Time	Venue	
3 June 2019	11.00 am	Council Chambers, Midlothian	
		House, Buccleuch Street, Dalkeith	

### Present:

Councillor Curran (Chair)	Councillor McCall
Councillor Muirhead	Councillor Munro
Councillor Parry	Councillor Smaill

### In attendance:

Midlothian Council Verona MacDonald, Democratic Services Team Leader	Alison White, Head of Adult Services
Police Scotland Chief Superintendent John McKenzie	Chief Inspector Aaron Clinkscales
Scottish Fire and Rescue Service	Chief Inspector Aaron Clinkscales
Stephen Gourlay, Area Manager	Dean Mack, Group Manager

### 1. Welcome, Introduction and Apologies

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting.

### 2. Order of Business

The Clerk advised the order of business was as per the agenda circulated.

### 3. Declarations of interest

No declarations of interest were intimated.

### 4. Minute of Previous Meeting

The Minute of Meeting of 18 February 2019 was unanimously approved and the Chair was authorised to sign it as a correct record.

### 5. Public Reports

Agenda No.	Report Title	Presented by:		
5.1	5.1 Appointment of Divisional Commander Police Scotland			
Outline of	report and summary of discussion			
On behalf of the Board, the Chair welcomed Chief Superintendent John McKenzie to his first meeting. He also recognised the work undertaken by his predecessor, Chief Superintendent Lesley Clark, towards the aims of the Board.				
Decision				
Noted				

Agenda No.	Report Title	Presented by:		
5.2 Annual Review of Policing 2018-2019 – - Letter from the Scottish Police Authority requesting feedback				
Outline of	report and summary of discussion			
The Chair advised that given the deadline date for responses, he had circulated a draft response to Board Members and having received no comments, had arranged for the response to be submitted to the Scottish Police Authority on 31 May by the Head of Adult Services.				
Decision				
Noted				

Report No.	Report Title	Presented by:		
5.3.1	Police Scotland Midlothian Scrutiny Report 1 January to 31 March 2019	Police Scotland		
Outline of repo	ort and summary of discussion			
Superintende	Chief Superintendent McKenzie addressed the Board. He explained Superintendent Lesley Clark had retired in between Board meetings. He gave a brief summary of his background including his links to Midlothian.			
Community / focus on viol Plan. He me regarding mi would be cor purposes. He noted the an struggle as a commented with local au	d by recognising the Council's commitme Action Teams. He further advised he was ence and the other identified priorities in entioned the importance of collaborative ssing persons including looked after chil hsidering how best to provide information then advised of changes at executive la nual Policing Plan had been published a result of budget reductions including th that capital budget reductions may result thorities and other public sector organisa tor Clinkscales.	as looking for local officers to a terms of the annual Policing working with partners ldren He further advised he n to the Board for scrutiny level in Police Scotland and and the force would continue to e capital budget. He It in more sharing of buildings		

The Chief Inspector summarised his background and advised he was born in Midlothian and his career in the force started in the role of special constable. He then addressed the terms of the quarter report. He drew attention to the number of high risk missing persons and advised the Police had been overwhelmed by the community response to the last one. He noted that the Chair of the Scottish Police Authority, Susan Deacon, had visited Midlothian and gone out with the Community Action Team and witnessed at first hand the work undertaken by officers including detection of drugs. He advised that money recovered relating to drug seizures went to the Scottish Consolidated Fund and was not kept locally. He advised that officers shared information on a daily basis via inter-division meetings with regard to housebreaking. He then addressed missing persons and in particular looked after children and advised many repeatedly absconded and gave an example of 7 children being reported as missing in 73 incidents during the guarter. He said that in many incidents the children were not technically missing but had gone out with their friends and then been reported as missing. He emphasised the resources expended on this and advised he intended visiting the parents of the children to address the issue. He continued by summarising the remainder of the report. Decision

Thereafter, the Board noted the content of the report.

Sederunt: Councillor Parry left the meeting at 11.25 am; Councillor Munro left the meeting at 11.33 am.

Agenda No.	Report Title	Presented by:		
5.3.2	Community Action Team Scrutiny Report for January to March 2019	Police Scotland		
	report and summary of discussion			
Chief Inspector Clinkscales spoke to the terms of the Report which summarised the activities of the Community Action Teams during the quarter and drew attention to the positive impact the Council funded teams were having within the communities they serve.				
Councillor Muirhead, for the benefit of the new Chief Superintendent and Chief Inspector, commented on the positives of having the Council funded teams and emphasised the need to ensure they were in addition to Police resources which should already be in place in the district. He advised that the Agreement between Police Scotland and the Council provided for this but that given the changes in personnel he felt it was important to make this point.				
Chief Superintendent McKenzie acknowledged what Councillor Muirhead had said and advised he was clear the CAT officers were additional to the resources which should be in place in any event.				
Councillor McCall in also welcoming Chief Superintendent McKenzie, enquired whether there were more people going missing or whether it was as because public awareness was higher as a result of social media. Chief Superintendent McKenzie advised that work undertaken with partners did not indicate an increase but there were challenges in this field and cited the aging population whereby illnesses such as dementia may contribute. He continued by addressing missing				
children and advised it was crucial to understand why children go missing. He said Page 5 of 50				

that in the short term speaking to parents would assist but it was not a solution. He advised that this was a challenge but not just for the Police because 47% of missing children were in the looked after category.

Further questions were put by Councillor McCall with regard to road casualties and Councillor Smaill with regard to anti-social behaviour issues and changes made within the Council to the Community Safety Team who worked with the Police.

Chief Superintendent McKenzie responded to both and advised that the A68 was one of the roads which was being targeted. He also advised that CAT officers would deal with anti-social behaviour in accordance with the Service Level Agreement in place however the local authority could not expect these officers to full take on all of the tasks previously undertaken by officers employed by the Council in the Community Safety Team.

Alison White advised she was meeting with Chief Inspector Clinkscales in the coming week to discuss expectations with regard to work undertaken on anti-social behaviour issues.

Councillor Muirhead commented that having considered the statistics within the report he wonder which communities had seen the reductions listed. He explained that, for people living in the community in and around Gorebridge, it did not feel like there had been a reduction in crime. He enquired whether a further breakdown of the figures was available. Chief Superintendent McKenzie advised he was keen to provide the Board with meaningful statistics and that he did have data which goes down to ward level and offered to come back to the next meeting with further information. He confirmed that some communities have not enjoyed the same decreases as others.

#### Decision

The Board noted the terms of the Report.

Agenda No.	Report Title	Presented by:	
		Scottish Fire and Rescue Service	
Outline of	report and summary of discussion		
Stephen	Gourlay by way of an update advised of a few r	natters worthy of noting:-	
(i) the new Chief Fire Officer for Scotland had now been in post for a couple of months and is now assisted by a new Deputy Chief Officer and 2 new Assistant Chief Officers. The east of Scotland now has a new Chief Officer.			
(ii) the training centre at Newbridge was nearing completion and within 6 – 8 weeks the training team should be on site;			
(iv) he had submitted a business case to get some additional resources which would support, amongst others, the Penicuik station.			
Dean Mack then provided the Board with a summary of the Quarter 4 report. He advised that 5 of the reporting outcomes were below the previous years' figures and that over the last 5 years Midlothian had seen a reduction across the outcomes. However, given the nature of the incidents reported on during 284 home fire safety visits these figures could rise significantly in the near future.			

Councillor McCall, with regard to the installation and maintenance of smoke alarms

in dwellings, asked whether information was available in relation to properties rented out. Mr Mack advised he did not have this information to hand but could provide it. Councillor McCall then enquired with regard to "Stair Aware" mentioned in the report. Mr Gourlay advised it related to new domestic legislation in relation to the storing of combustibles in common stairs which had an estimated introduction timescale of 2 years.

The Chair, with reference to a discussion at the meeting in November 2018, enquired whether the number of fire safety referrals had increased. Mr Mack confirmed they had increased significantly as a result of Council officers receiving training on the referral toolkit.

Decision

The Board noted the terms of the Quarter 4 report.

Agenda Report Title Presented by: No.				
5.4.2 Draft Strategic Plan 2019 – 2022 S. Gourlay Consultation – Report by Area Manager		S. Gourlay		
Outline of	report and summary of discussion			
Mr Gourlay spoke to the terms of the report which advised of the consultation relating to the draft Strategic Plan which closed on 18 July 2019. The Chair advised he would provide feedback via the Head of Adult Services prior to the closing date for submissions.				
Decision				
Head of Adult Services in consultation with the Chair to provide feedback on the Draft Strategic Plan prior to the closing date for submissions.				

The meeting terminated at 12.30 pm.



The figures included in this report are provisional and subject to change as a result of quality assurance and review. The statistics quoted are internal management information published in the interests of transparency and openness. The Scottish government publishes Official Statistics each year which allow for comparisons to be made over longer periods of time.

Please ensure any external partners in receipt of these reports are aware of this.

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#### Introduction

This performance report provides information on our prevention, protection and operational response activities within the Midlothian for Quarter 1 of 2019-20 (1st April – 30th June 2019) including information on the year to date.

The Scottish Government provides an overarching vision for public services. This vision supported by 16 National Outcomes, which demonstrate commitment to creating a more successful country, with opportunities for all of Scotland to flourish, through increasing sustainable growth. The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) can make a significant contribution to improving these outcomes for Midlothian by contributing to the Community Planning arrangements across the area.

The national priorities for the SFRS are set out in the Fire and Rescue Framework for Scotland. The SFRS Strategic Plan 2016-2019 outlines how the SFRS will deliver against these priorities and the outcomes against which this delivery can be measured.

The priorities contained within the Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Midlothian 2018 contribute towards the priorities within the Single Midlothian Plan.

The aims of the local Fire & Rescue Service in Midlothian are to reduce fire deaths and to reduce injuries from fire and other emergencies in the community. We aim to achieve this by working in partnership, being pro-active and targeting our prevention and protection activities to where they are required, based on evidence.

The Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Midlothian 2018 identifies the following five objectives as the main focus for service delivery locally:

Local Priorities:

- As part of a Community Partnership approach, we will make people safer in their homes.
- We will promote Community Resilience whilst contributing to improved outcomes for people involved in non-fire emergencies.
- Together with our Community Partners, we will contribute to making roads in East Lothian safer.
- As part of a Community Partnership, we will challenge anti-social behaviour.
- In partnership, we will aim to reduce the occurrence and impact of Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals.

Area Manager Stephen Gourlay Local Senior Officer for Midlothian, East Lothian and the Scottish Borders. stephen.gourlay@firescotland.gov.uk

#### Performance Summary

We measure how well we are meeting our priorities using 6 key indicators, depicted below

		Apr to (& incl.) Jun				RAG rating
Key performance indicator	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	YTD
All accidental dwelling fires	14	15	18	12	16	•
All fire casualties (fatal & non-fatal (incl. p/c's))	I	6	4	4	I	
All deliberate fires excl. dwellings	93	88	206	77	89	•
Special Service - RTCs	11	12	10	6	5	
Special Service Casualties - All	18	15	16	10	5	
False Alarm - UFAs	79	88	71	100	85	

RA	G rating - KEY	
٠	red diamond	10% higher than the previous YTD period, or local target not achieved.
	YELLOW TRIANGLE	Up to 9% higher than the previous YTD period, or local target not achieved.
	GREEN CIRCLE	Equal to or improved upon the previous equivalent quarter (or YTD period), or local target achieved.

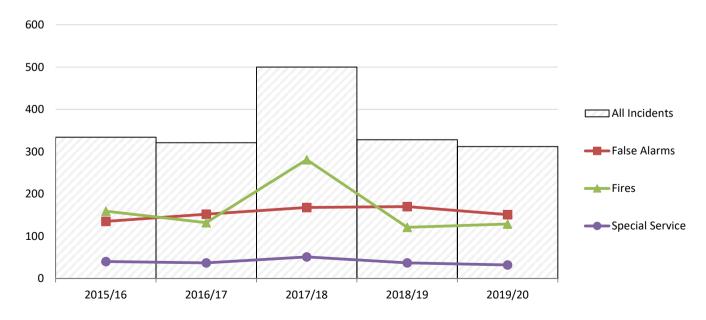
#### Note

Quarterly comparison RAG Rating = the reporting period compared to the average of the three previous quarterly reporting periods. Year to Date RAG Rating = the cumulative total of all quarterly performance in current year compared to cumulative total of all quarterly performance in previous year.

#### Incident Overview

Year to date (1st April 2019 – 30th June 2019), the SFRS, responded to 312 incidents in Midlothian, which is a decrease of 16 incidents compared with the same reporting period last year.

#### The chart below illustrates incidents YTD attended within Midlothian council over the last 5 fiscal years



Progress on local fire & rescue plan priorities
Local Risk Management and Preparedness
The Service must identify, prioritise and plan to meet the risks in each local community.
We said we would:
• train our staff to deal with our local risks
• gather and analyse risk information
• work with partners to mitigate risks
• deal with major events
Train our staff to deal with our local risks
All of our operational staff undertake routine and risk specific skill acquisition and maintenance training.
Gather and analyse risk information
All of our operational staff gather and analyse local risk information and operational intelligence, used in our preparations to resolve
incidents.
We conduct Post Incident Debriefs to identify any lessons that can be learned from our preparedness and response to emergency
events. We use Uncert Operational Intelligence Priofings to inform our operational staff of any sofety critical information
We use Urgent Operational Intelligence Briefings to inform our operational staff of any safety critical information.
Work with partners to mitigate risks
We continue to be an active member of the East Local Resilience Partnership.
We share information with local authority partners and other key stakeholders (e.g. Police Scotland) to ensure emergency event risks
are mitigated.
Deal with major events
There were no major fire events or significant emergency events in this reporting period.

#### Reduction of 'All accidental dwelling fires'

Accidental dwelling fires can have devastating effects on our community. The SFRS is committed to keeping people safe in their homes. We share information with partners to make sure that the right people get the right information they need, particularly those who are vulnerable due to age, isolation or addiction. Reduction of Accidental Dwelling Fires contributes to The Single Midlothian Plan.

#### Results

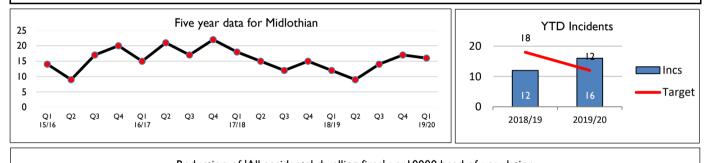
We aim to reduce Accidental Dwelling Fires in Midlothian by contributing towards the SFRS target of 10% reduction per year, over a three-year rolling period. During this quarter, we responded to 17 Accidental Dwelling Fires, which is an increase of 5 incidents from the same period last year. The long-term trend based upon incidents/10,000 population shows Midlothian in line with the Scottish and East Service Delivery Area trend line.

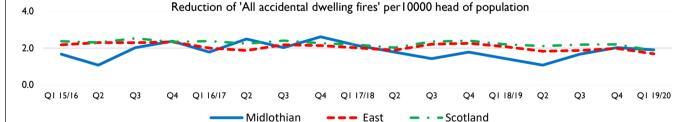
#### Reasons

Of the 17 accidental dwelling fires attended, 70% occurred in single occupancy households, with 35% being in the over 65 category. The main causes were cooking (65%) and negligent use or faulty equipment (35%). Of the17 fires all but 1 were confined to the room where the fire started and therefore, minor in nature. It is clear from this evidence to continue to target those mostly at risk in single occupancy households and to ensure those properties have working smoke detection. Only 11 of these properties had smoke detectors fitted, all of which operated.

#### Actions

During this reporting period, 259 Home Fire Safety Visits were carried out within Midlothian. A number of initiatives and events aimed at reducing accidental dwelling fires were conducted. Front line crews continue to work within the previously introduced 'Post Domestic Incident Response' Policy, which provides a framework to ensure that engagement activity is completed in a structured and appropriate manner following incidents. Appendix I provides further details on our prevention activities in relation to this priority.





YTD ward ave. for Midlothian - 3	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Sparklines
Midlothian	14	15	18	12	16	$\langle$
Penicuik	2	3	3	0	I	
Bonnyrigg	3	3	3	2	2	
Dalkeith	I	4	5	3	I	
Midlothian West	I	3	3	6	4	$\langle$
Midlothian East	3	I	3	0	4	$\checkmark$
Midlothian South	4	I	I	I	4	

#### Reduction of 'All fire casualties (fatal & non-fatal (incl. p/c's))'

Fire casualty and fatality rates provide an indication of the amount of serious, life-threatening injuries that occur due to fire. This can indicate not only the success of SFRS in reducing the number of life risk fires through community fire safety and similar activities, but also their success in response activity in saving lives.

#### Results

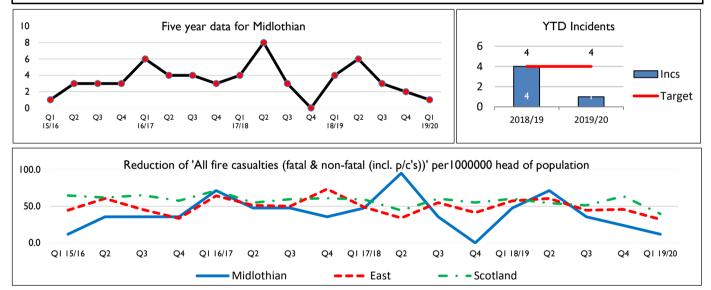
We aim to reduce fire casualties in Midlothian each per year, which contributes towards the SFRS target of reducing Fire Casualties by 5% per year, over a three-year rolling period. In this reporting period, SFRS dealt with 1 casualty due to fire within a dwelling, 3 less than Q1 reporting period last year. The long-term trend based upon casualties/10,000 population shows that we are below the Scottish and East Service Delivery area average.

#### Reasons

Historically Midlothian has had low numbers of casualties from fires and it is pleasing to note that this trend remains low. The casualty was a result of house fire in single occupancy premises. The elderly casualty was removed to hospital suffering from smoke inhalation. The main contributory factor was cooking.

Actions

During this reporting period, 259 Home Fire Safety Visits were carried out. In addition, we continue to work with our partners, particularly Midlothian Council, Social work and NHS to target those most vulnerable and at risk from fire.



YTD ward ave. for Midlothian - 0	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Sparklines
Midlothian	I	6	4	4	I	
Penicuik	0	0	I	2	0	
Bonnyrigg	0	I	0	0	I	$\land$ /
Dalkeith	0	I	2	I	0	$\langle$
Midlothian West	I	2	0	I	0	$\sim \sim$
Midlothian East	0	2	I	0	0	
Midlothian South	0	0	0	0	0	

#### Reduction of 'All deliberate fires excl. dwellings'

Historically deliberate fire setting has not been a significant problem for the SFRS in Midlothian, however recent years have shown a distinct increase in this activity and there is a close link between deliberate secondary fires and other forms of anti-social behaviour. In the main, deliberate fires are secondary fires categorised into refuse/bins, grassland or derelict buildings incidents. Reduction of Deliberate Fire Setting contributes to the Single Midlothian Plan.

#### Results

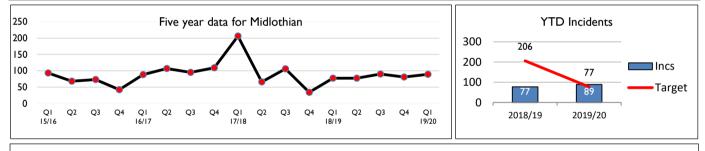
There were 89 deliberate fires within the reporting period, which is an increase of 12 when compared to the same period last year. Midlothian's fire setting has been on the increase recently and is above average when compared to the rest of Scotland. Midlothian East, West and Dalkeith wards suffered most from this type of fire setting.

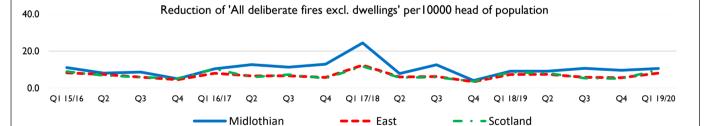
#### Reasons

Nearly 88% of all deliberate fires attended were 'deliberate secondary fires' with 74% in waste or scrubland, wood or crop, 23% involved refuse/bins including wheelie bins and 3% vehicle fires.

#### Actions

SFRS continues to work with partner agencies attending the weekly TACG meetings and provision of monthly tactical assessments by the Midlothian Partnership Analyst. Emerging patterns continue to be monitored and prevention activities were planned for those locations. Various on-going preventative activities have been undertaken throughout the year targeting the issue of deliberate fire-raising. This includes various youth engagement events (Cooldown Crew and Challenge Projects), Stair Aware activity, visits to schools and other partnership work.





YTD ward ave. for Midlothian - 15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Sparklines
Midlothian	93	88	206	77	89	<u> </u>
Penicuik	5	3	34	5	I	$\sim$
Bonnyrigg	3	9	18	7	10	
Dalkeith	22	9	32	21	18	$\checkmark$
Midlothian West	20	19	34	7	14	$\sim$
Midlothian East	20	22	47	15	35	<u> </u>
Midlothian South	23	26	41	22	11	$\sim$

#### **Reduction of 'Special Service - RTCs'**

While much of this risk is out with the control of SFRS, responding to Non-Fire Emergencies such as Road Traffic Collisions is a key part of our intervention activities. The SFRS is committed to working with partners and other stakeholders to drive continuous improvement in this area. Reduction of Casualties from Non-Fire Emergencies contributes to the Single Midlothian Plan, number of people killed or seriously injured in road accidents.

Results

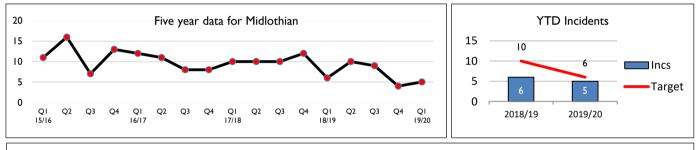
We attended 5 Road Traffic Collisions during this period; a decrease of 1 from Q1 last year. Per 10,000 head of population, Midlothian is well below the Scottish and East Service Delivery area trend.

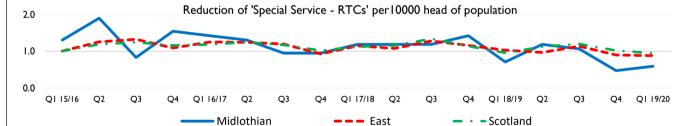
Reasons

The SFRS only attend those RTC's they are requested to attend this number does not reflect the total number within Midlothian.

#### Actions

The SFRS is a member of a multi-agency approach to reducing Road Traffic Collision's and the associated casualties and fatalities. The continued delivery of Tomorrow's Driver programme targeting young people is an excellent partnership approach to reducing road traffic collisions.





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Bonnyrigg	0	3	I	0	0	
Dalkeith	3	2	2	3	0	$\langle$
Midlothian West	2	2	3	I	0	$\langle \rangle$
Midlothian East	I	4	0	I	3	$\overline{}$
Midlothian South	2	0	I	0	I	$\searrow$

#### **Reduction of 'Special Service Casualties - All'**

While much of this risk is out with the control of SFRS, responding to Non-Fire Emergencies is a key part of our intervention activities. The SFRS is committed to working with partners and other stakeholders to drive continuous improvement in this area. Reduction of Casualties from Non-Fire Emergencies contributes to the Single Midlothian Plan.

Results

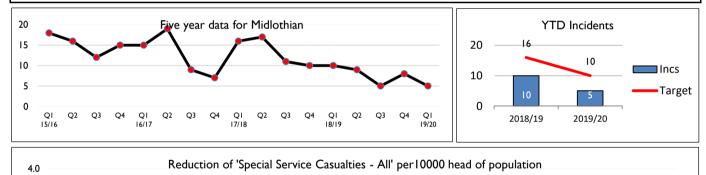
We attended a total of 1 fatal and 4 non-fatal casualties. This is a decrease of 5 casualties in comparison to the same period last year. Per 10,000 head of population, Midlothian is below the Scottish and East Service Delivery area trend.

Reasons

Road Traffic Collisions accounted for 1 non-fatal casualty. There were 3 non-fatal casualties and 1 fatal casualty which were in response to a medical emergency or assisting other emergency services.

Actions

The SFRS in Midlothian work in partnership with the Midlothian Rapid Response Team to care for people who fall in the home. We will also continue to respond to the communities needs in terms of other non-fire emergencies with the overall objective of reducing casualty and fatality rates within Midlothian.





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Scotland

Midlothian

YTD ward ave. for Midlothian - I	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Sparklines
Midlothian	18	15	16	10	5	
Penicuik	8	2	5	2	0	$\searrow$
Bonnyrigg	I	2	2	0	2	$\sim$
Dalkeith	2	5	2	2	0	
Midlothian West	4	3	4	4	I	$\overline{}$
Midlothian East	0	3	3	2	I	
Midlothian South	3	0	0	0	I	

#### **Reduction of 'False Alarm - UFAs'**

Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals (UFAS) are defined as incidents where an automated fire alarm system activates and results in the mobilisation of SFRS resources, when the reason for that alarm turns out to be connected with faulty or defective alarm equipment. The SFRS is committed to working with partners and other stakeholders to reduce Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals.

Results

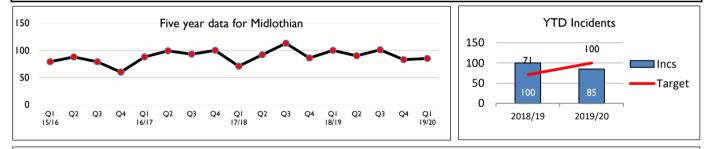
SFRS attended 85 Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals incidents during this reporting period, which is a decrease of 15 from the same period last year. Midlothian trend line is below that of Scotland and the East delivery area.

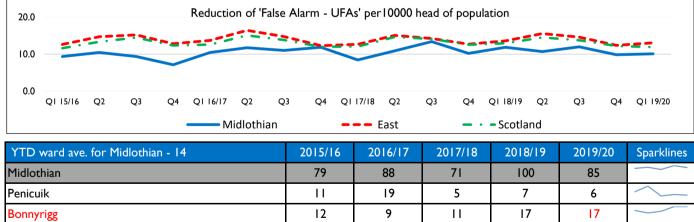
Reasons

25% of UFAS attendances were caused by equipment failure within the fire alarm system, 6% were good intent calls, 10% were malicious calls and 59% caused by people, cooking, testing, smoking, aerosols etc.

#### Actions

We continue to monitor Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals calls and our Fire Safety Enforcement Officers work closely with premises to reduce further incidents. This includes discussing technological, procedural and management solutions in order to prevent future Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals incidents. In Midlothian, we are currently engaging with various premises giving advice to prevent further occurrences.





Bonnyrigg	12	9	11	17	17	
Dalkeith	15	21	13	14	17	$\langle$
Midlothian West	21	23	21	35	28	
Midlothian East	14	10	11	13	9	
Midlothian South	6	6	10	14	8	

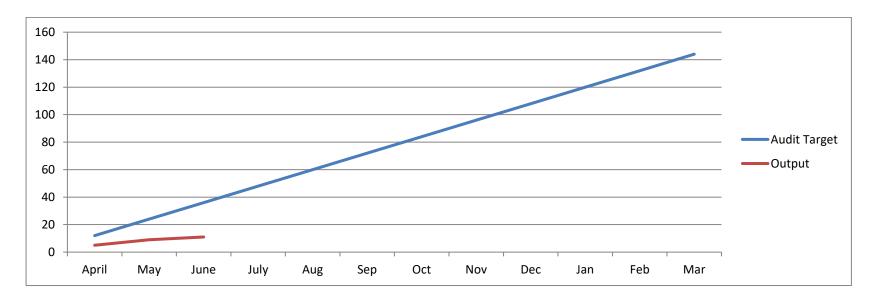
# Appendix 1 Midlothian Prevention & Protection Activities

### Quarter 1: 1<sup>st</sup> April– 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019

#### **Fire Safety Enforcement Audits**

The figures represent the audit workloads delivered by the Midlothian Fire Safety Enforcement Officer (FSEO). Following the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) Enforcement Framework, local deployment ensures compliance for relevant premises in terms of the Fire Scotland Act (2005) and associated Fire Safety Regulations. In line with the SFRS enforcement framework all of the area high risk sleeping premises receive an annual audit and this includes hospitals, care homes, houses of multiple occupation, hostels and hotels. Due to staff promotions our qualified FSE Officer cadre is below establishment. Two new members of staff are currently being trained and delivering audits in a limited capacity. We are hopeful that current shortfalls will be addressed as the year progresses and the Officers become competent.

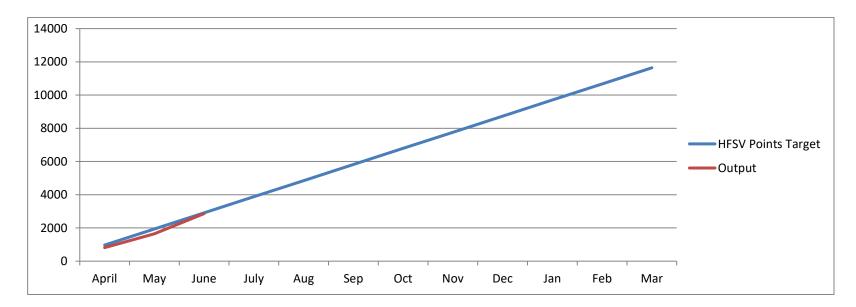
	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Target:	12	24	36	48	60	72	84	96	108	120	132	144	144
Completed:	5	9	11										



#### **Home Fire Safety Visits**

The delivery of Home Fire Safety Visits (HFSVs) is the corner stone of the SFRS Community Safety Engagement framework. By visiting households and providing fire safety advice and smoke alarms the numbers of dwelling fires and casualties will be reduced. To target the highest risk households across Midlothian a points allocation based on risk and associated target has been set (24 points per high, 8 per medium, 4 per low risk visit). The annual number of visits completed is well above target set. **A total of 259** HFSVs were delivered in Midlothian in **Q1**.

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Target	970	1940	2910	3880	4850	5820	6790	7760	8730	9700	10670	11640	11640
Completed	816	1648	2864										



### Total visits delivered by ward area 2019/20 YTD:

Ward Area	Visits delivered in Q1 2019/20	Visits delivered in Q2 2019/20	Visits delivered in Q3 2019/20	Visits delivered in Q4 2019/20
Bonnyrigg	38			
Dalkeith	51			
Midlothian East	43			
Midlothian South	39			
Midlothian West	58			
Penicuik	30			
TOTAL	259			

The following table gives a good indication of the coverage across Midlothian where the SFRS delivers Home Fire Safety Visits.

### **Partnership Working**

#### **Youth Engagement**

During this reporting period, the Community Action Team (CAT) have supported and engaged with the following youth engagement programmes,

Fireskills Employability Award course delivered at Polmont Young Offenders Institute.
Fireskills (Youth Engagement programme) at Newbattle High School.
Support was also provided to a Fireskills course delivered in the Scottish Borders.
The Midlothian Community Firefighter has been involved with delivering anti-social behaviour talks to Midlothian residential children's services.

#### Safeguarding

During this period our teams continued to identify and refer adults at risk of harm and/or in need of support. This has resulted in **6** referrals being processed to Social Services. The CAT has completed **6** home safety visits to vulnerable adults.

Our Local Authority Liaison Officer LALO continues to attend or provide information relevant to fire for the monthly Multi Agency Risk Conference (MARAC).

#### Referrals

Our strong relationship with external partners continues to assist with **Home Fire Safety Visit (HFSV)** referrals: Listed are examples of these relationships and referrals

British Red Cross = **14** Midlothian Contact Team = **2** Midlothian Council Reablement = **1** Midlothian Falls team = 2 NHS = 2

**105** self-referrals were received via our Community Safety Engagement Toolkit **(CSET)** system with local crews completing **259** home safety visits during this quarter.

Living Safely in the Home (LSITH) pilot project has generated **2** referrals to the Midlothian Falls team.

### Other Work Completed or In Progress

The following detailed below is further work the Community Action Team (CAT) have completed or is in progress for this Quarter.

- The CAT continues to support our operational crews within the Midlothian area with delivery of Seasonal Thematic Action Plans.
- We continue to attend the weekly TACG meetings in Midlothian.
- LALO was involved in 1 ASP Case Conference.
- SFRS have delivered HFSV referral training to Children 1<sup>st</sup> Midlothian.
- As we continue to work with all partners to share information and provide support in achieving SFRS and partner objectives, our teams have been involved with delivery of fire safety information to Midlothian NHS staff.
- We have participated in Multi-Agency Conflict Resolution training.
- Our Community Action Team were involved in Multi-Agency training with Melville Housing regarding identification high risk tenants.
- The LALO and other local Officers were involved in an ASP Initial Case review (ICR) relating to a fatal fire which occurred earlier this year. The purpose of this forum is to discuss the circumstances relating to this death with all relevant partners and identify actions and objectives to prevent future occurrences.
- A major objective for SFRS is to identify those individuals and groups within the local community who are at an increased risk of fire within the home. Our LALO and CAT continue to deliver HFS awareness training to partners. This allows staff to recognise fire risk and ensure referral pathways are established. We continue to work with all partners, delivering the aforementioned training with the aim of reducing fire deaths and associated injuries.



# Midlothian Area Command

# The Lothians and Scottish Borders



# Policy Development and Scrutiny Panel

Quarter 1 – 2019/2020

The data provided in this report is for information purposes only and is not official crime statistics. This report has been generated to allow Partnership Members to conduct their scrutiny responsibilities. Due to delayed reporting or recording of crimes, incidents or road accidents and the management of crime enquiries, there is likely to be differences between the information in this report and the final Police Scotland statistics. It would not be appropriate to refer to, quote or use any data in this report as official statistics.

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# **Our Vision**

# Sustained excellence in service and protection.

# **Our Purpose**

To improve the safety and wellbeing of people, places and communities in Scotland.

# **Our Values**

Integrity, Fairness and Respect.

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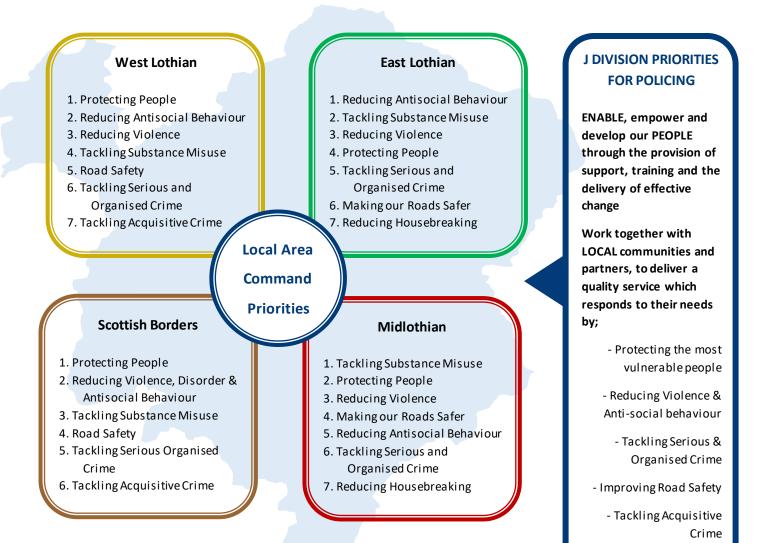
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### POLICE SCOTLAND Keeping people safe POILEAS ALBA

# J Division Policing Priorities 2019/20





#### **Protecting vulnerable People**

Supporting people considered vulnerable and working with partners to reduce harm

#### Working with communities

Engaging with the public and communities to build resilience and prevent crime

# **POLICE SCOTLAND PRIORITIES FOR**

# POLICING

#### **Tackling cyber related Crime**

Building Capability to address the threat from cyber related crime

### Support for operational

#### Policing

Delivering change that enables our people to deliver an effective and sustainable service

#### Introduction

Crimes and offences are grouped under recognised categories for statistical purposes. The Scottish Government defines these categories, as follows;

- Group 1 Non Sexual Crimes of Violence
- Group 2 Sexual Crimes
- Group 3 Crimes of Dishonesty
- Group 4 Fire-raising, Malicious Mischief etc.
- Group 5 Other (Pro-activity) Crimes
- Group 6 Miscellaneous Offences
- Group 7 Offences Relating to Motor Vehicles

Police Scotland publishes management information on an annual and quarterly basis by local authority and police division, as well as at a national level. These reports are produced to demonstrate Police Scotland's commitment to transparency. Police Scotland publishes all of these reports on the 'Our Performance' section of the Police Scotland website. The reports can be accessed here: <u>http://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/our-performance/</u>

The Midlothian Policing Plan uses the following Police performance indicators, and these have been mirrored in the Scrutiny Report to maintain parity of understanding:

- 1. Tackling Substance Misuse
- 2. Protecting People
- 3. Reducing Violence
- 4. Making our Roads Safer
- 5. Reducing Antisocial Behaviour
- 6. Tackling Serious and Organised Crime
- 7. Reducing Housebreaking

All figures quoted in this report are for the period April 2019 to June 2019 and are compared against the same reporting period from the previous year. Where figures are quoted on rate per 10,000 population, these are based on Midlothian's population of **91,340 in 2018** (Scottish Government figures, published April 2019).

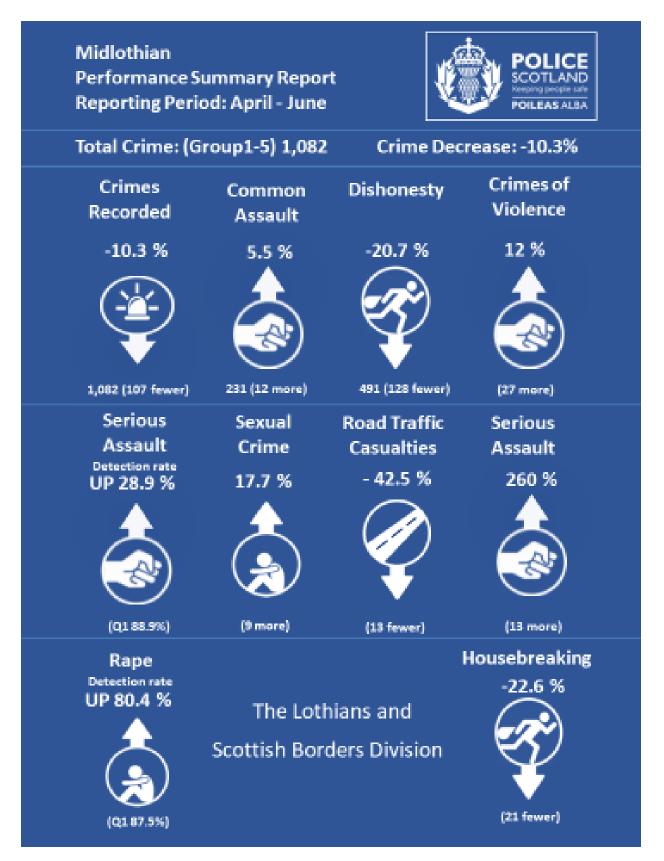
# Lothian and Scottish Borders Divisional Crime Overview

Lothian and Scottish Borders Division	2018/19 Q1	2019/20 Q1	Per 10,000 Q1	Detection
			2019/20	Rates 2019/20
TOTAL CRIMES AND OFFENCES (GROUPS 1-7)	9 323	9 593	196.84	60.0
TOTAL CRIMES (GROUPS 1-5)	4 956	5 099	104.62	46.2
OVERALL VIOLENT CRIME	1 180	1 275	26.16	62.6
TOTAL OFFENCES (GROUPS 6 - 7)	4 367	4 494	92.21	75.6
GROUP 1: NON SEXUAL CRIMES OF VIOLENCE	112	155	3.18	74.8
Murder (excluding culpable homicide at common law)	-	1	0.02	0.0
Attempted murder	2	3	0.06	66.7
Serious assault	59	74	1.52	75.7
Robbery and assault with intent to rob	16	24	0.49	70.8
Domestic Abuse (of female)	-	13	0.27	100.0
Domestic Abuse (Total)	-	13	0.27	100.0
Cruel & Unnatural treatment of children	22	25	0.51	72.0
Threats and extortion	6	10	0.21	70.0
Other group 1 crimes	6	4	0.08	50.0
GROUP 2: SEXUAL CRIMES	240	265	5.44	42.3
Rape	45	42	0.86	45.2
Assault w/i to rape or ravish	3	2	0.04	0.0
Rape and attempted rape - Total	48	44	0.90	43.2
Sexual assault (pre-SOSA2009)*	3	6	0.12	83.3
Sexual assault (SOSA 2009)*	67	70	1.44	31.4
Lewd & libidinous practices*	24	43	0.88	51.2
Indecent/Sexual Assault - Total	94	119	2.44	41.2
Communicating indecently (SOSA 2009)*	22	18	0.37	55.6
Communications Act 2003 (sexual)	3	5	0.10	40.0
Sexual exposure (SOSA 2009)*	7	11	0.23	45.5
Public indecency (common law)	9	3	0.06	66.7
Other sexual crimes (SOSA 2009)*	33	32	0.66	18.8
Other sexual crimes (non-SOSA 2009)*	4	5	0.10	40.0
Threatening / Disclosure of intimate image*	11	14	0.29	35.7
GROUP 3: CRIMES OF DISHONESTY	2 286	2 480	50.89	32.1
Housebreaking (incl. attempts) - dwelling house	107	113	2.32	33.6
Housebreaking (incl. attempts) - non dwelling	69	81	1.66	19.8
Housebreaking (incl. attempts) - other premises	146	89	1.83	19.1
Housebreaking (incl. Attempts) - Total	322	283	5.81	25.1
Opening Lockfast Places - Motor Vehicle	71	73	1.50	8.2
Theft of a motor vehicle	120	118	2.42	36.4
Theft from a Motor Vehicle (Insecure etc)	186	176	3.61	15.9
Attempt theft of motor vehicle	12	8	0.16	0.0
Motor vehicle crime - Total	389	375	7.69	20.5
Opening Lockfast Places - NOT Motor Vehicle	22	34	0.70	14.7
Common theft	622	715	14.67	18.0
Theft by shoplifting	674	685	14.06	56.2
Fraud	124	208	4.27	26.4
GROUP 4: FIRE-RAISING, MALICIOUS MISCHIEF	1 089	1 040	21.34	24.4
etc				
Fireraising	54	59	1.21	23.7
Vandalism (including malicious mischief)	990	937	19.23	23.5
Culpable and reckless conduct (not with firearms)	44	42	0.86	45.2
GROUP 5: OTHER (PRO-ACTIVITY) CRIMES	1 229	1 159	23.78	93.2
Total offensive/bladed weapons	130	162	3.32	88.3
Total drugs crimes	772	645	13.23	94.3
GROUP 6: MISCELLANEOUS OFFENCES	2 438	2 649	54.35	70.7
Common Assault - Total	1 103	1 173	24.07	61.6

# Midlothian Recorded Crime Overview

Midlothian	2018/19 Q1	2019/20 Q1	Per 10,000 Q1 2019/20	Detection Rates 2019/20
TOTAL CRIMES AND OFFENCES (GROUPS 1 -				
7)	2 047	1 940	218.94	59.5
TOTAL CRIMES (GROUPS 1-5)	1 207	1 082	122.11	49.4
OVERALL VIOLENT CRIME	226	253	28.55	58.9
TOTAL OFFENCES (GROUPS 6 - 7)	840	858	96.83	72.4
GROUP 1: NON SEXUAL CRIMES OF				76.2
VIOLENCE	17	42	4.74	
Murder (excluding culpable homicide at common				x
law)	-	-	-	
Attempted murder	1	-	-	X
Serious assault	5	18	2.03	88.9
Robbery and assault with intent to rob	1	4	0.45	75.0
Domestic Abuse (of female)	-	1	0.11	100.0
Domestic Abuse (Total)	-	1	0.11	100.0
Cruel & Unnatural treatment of children	7	17	1.92	64.7
Threats and extortion	1	1	0.11	100.0
Other group 1 crimes	2	1	0.11	0.0
GROUP 2: SEXUAL CRIMES	51	60	6.77	36.7
Rape	14	8	0.90	87.5
Assault w/i to rape or ravish	-	-	-	X
Rape and attempted rape - Total	14	8	0.90	87.5
Sexual assault (pre-SOSA2009)*	1	2	0.23	50.0
Sexual assault (SOSA 2009)*	12	15	1.69	0.0
Lewd & libidinous practices*	2	16	1.81	25.0
Indecent/Sexual Assault - Total	15	33	3.72	15.2
Communicating indecently (SOSA 2009)*	5	5	0.56	60.0
Communications Act 2003 (sexual)	-	-	-	Х
Sexual exposure (SOSA 2009)*	2	-	-	Х
Public indecency (common law)	5	-	-	х
Other sexual crimes (SOSA 2009)*	7	7	0.79	14.3
Other sexual crimes (non-SOSA 2009)*	-	-	-	х
Threatening / Disclosure of intimate image*	3	1	0.11	0.0
GROUP 3: CRIMES OF DISHONESTY	619	491	55.41	31.2
Housebreaking (incl. attempts) - dwelling house	34	23	2.60	21.7
Housebreaking (incl. attempts) - non dwelling	31	31	3.50	6.5
Housebreaking (incl. attempts) - other premises	28	18	2.03	22.2
Housebreaking (incl. Attempts) - Total	93	72	8.13	15.3
Opening Lockfast Places - Motor Vehicle	8	9	1.02	0.0
Theft of a motor vehicle	38	18	2.03	61.1
Theft from a Motor Vehicle (Insecure etc)	58	31	3.50	6.5
Attempt theft of motor vehicle	1	1	0.11	0.0
Motor vehicle crime - Total	105	59	6.66	22.0
Opening Lockfast Places - NOT Motor Vehicle	5	9	1.02	22.2
Common theft	144	117	13.20	23.1
Theft by shoplifting	198	164	18.51	42.1
Fraud	33	32	3.61	46.9
GROUP 4: FIRE-RAISING, MALICIOUS				24.3
MISCHIEF	230	226	25.51	
Fireraising	8	5	0.56	40.0
Vandalism (including malicious mischief)	214	213	24.04	22.1
Culpable and reckless conduct (not with firearms)	8	8	0.90	75.0
GROUP 5: OTHER (PRO-ACTIVITY) CRIMES	290	263	29.68	103.4
Total offensive/bladed weapons	32	35	3.95	114.3
Total drugs crimes	176	156	17.61	105.1
GROUP 6: MISCELLANEOUS OFFENCES	517	531	59.93	72.7
Common Assault - Total	219	231	26.07	56.3

### Midlothian Performance Summary



### Executive Summary

### Tackling Substance Misuse

Tackling Substance Misuse	Executive Summary			
Drug Supply, Production & Cultivation	Q1 2018/19	Q1 2019/20	Change	TYTD Per 10,000 population
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Protecting People	Executive Summary					
Missing Persons		Q1 2018/19	Q1 2019/20	Change	TYTD Per 10,000 population	
9		233	213	-8.5%	23.3	
		YI	PU Repeat Locat	ions – Q1 2019/	/20	
		Location	·		ing Person Inciden	
	-	Voodburn YPl	-		11	
	Gorebrid	ge Close Sup	port Unit		9	
			Multi Men	nber Ward		
	Mi	dlothian Sou <sup>.</sup>	th		40	
		Dalkeith			40	
		Bonnyrigg			39	
		Midlothian West			36	
	Midlothian East Penicuik			23		
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	<ul> <li>In Midlothian this equates to the following;</li> <li>Year 2017 / 2018 – 804 missing person investigations</li> </ul>					
	-	nquiries cont	inue to be one o	f our most reso	ource intensive inci <b>to police in Midlot</b>	
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- Positively only 9 missing person incidents were created for schools in Midlothian • during Q1.
- One of our 213 missing persons was recovered deceased in Q1 2019/20. •

Recognising the vulnerability associated with missing people, particularly those that are young or suffering from mental health challenges, Police Scotland has adopted a rigorous investigation structure and management approach to missing person incidents. The grading for missing persons range between low, medium and high, however the risk is continually assessed.

It is assessed that further partnership work could assist in the appropriate allocation of resources to those missing person incidents with the most vulnerability.

An example is that a Missing Person Pilot commenced at Woodburn Young Person Unit, Dalkeith. This was following a review in relation to reporting, recording and return of missing persons from the unit. Prior to the pilot it was identified that staff at the unit rather than Police officers were more appropriate personnel to carry out return interviews, with the results then subsequently being shared with police. It has now been agreed to extend the pilot to Ladybrae, Gorebridge who will adopt the new process, this was scheduled for the 1<sup>st</sup> August 2019, however has been delayed and is now scheduled to commence in the next several weeks.

#### Protecting People

#### **Executive Summary**

Dishonesty	(group	3)
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Q1 2018/19	Q1 2019/20	Change	TYTD Per 10,000 population
619	491	-20.7%	53.8

Tackling Acquisitive Crime, and as such working to Protect People by reducing the impact (both financial and personal) it has on our communities' remains a priority for the Lothians & Scottish Borders (J) Division and Midlothian. Given the wide range of 'acquisitive crimes' this priority is covered in 2 sections within this report;

**Dishonesty** (which is covered in this section) **Housebreaking** (which is covered on pages 22-23)

During the Q1 2019/2020 Group 3 crimes has decreased by 128 (-20.7%) when compared to last year's reporting period. (This overall figure incorporates housebreaking crimes).

Further breakdown of the data provided in the table above yields the following;

- Almost all crime types are showing a reduction, which is against the trend of other local authority areas.
- There has been 0 bogus caller tagged crimes for Q1 2019/20.
- Fraud has seen a reduction of 3% (1 fewer victim) when compared to the same reporting period last year.
- Motor vehicle crime has reduced by 43.8% or 46 fewer victims, when compared to the same reporting period last year.
- The Group 3 detection rate sits at **31.2% at the end of Q1.** This has fallen by 6.9% on Q1 last year. It is also below the 3 and 5 year average.

During the reporting period police in J Division and Midlothian carried out the following preventative work;

- Continue to deliver Shut Out Scammers, a high profile national campaign, delivered locally to tackle all forms of bogus callers and associated doorstep crime.
- Use of social media to highlight scams and deliver pertinent advice and information to members of the community.
- Continue to take part in **Straiton Shopwatch**, holding regular meetings with retailers and retailers against crime staff the last meeting was held in May 2019, radio link used by retailers and police is now in place to assist in detecting and deterring offenders. The retail park is also included in the Midlothian Weekend Plan for targeted patrols to be carried out during busy periods.
- Bike Marking Events carried out to tackle reported bike thefts in Midlothian.

Protecting People
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#### **Executive Summary**

Domestic Abuse Incidents



Q1 2018/19	Q1 2019/20	Change
312	299	-4.2%

Supporting victims of Domestic Abuse and pursuing perpetrators remains a key priority for Police Scotland, J Division and officers across Midlothian.

During Q1 2019/20 period there were 299 domestic incidents reported to police, which equates to a marginal decrease of 13 incidents from the same period last year.

The detection rate for Domestic crimes for Q1 was 73.6%.

• Section 1 Domestic Abuse Scotland Act was introduced at the beginning on Q1. This is classed as a Group 1 crime. The crime takes into consideration offenders who follow a pattern of coercive and controlling behaviour. During Q13 crimes under the terms of Section 1 of the aforementioned act have been recorded.

In terms of preventative activity the following points are highlighted:

- The Midlothian MATAC, which is a regular local meeting where information is shared about domestic abuse perpetrators who pose the highest risk, continues to be a feature of partnership prevention activity. The objective of MATAC is to protect people at risk of harm through the targeting of perpetrators.
- The Disclosure Scheme for Domestic Abuse Scotland has two main triggers for disclosure –

The **Right to Ask** is open to anyone who has concerns about a new partner's abusive past or has concerns about another person's new partner. An example of this would be a parent concerned about their child's new partner.

The **Power to Tell** is when we receive information or intelligence about the safety of a person who may be at risk.

Domestic Abuse incidents remaining a focus and whilst we look to support victims, some of the following activity is of note;

- Domestic Abuse Matters (Scotland) training is still ongoing, the majority of Midlothian officers have undertaken the training.
- Proactive bail checks continue to be robustly enforced.
- We continue to refer victims to partner agencies who can supply that additional support.

Protecting People		Executive	Summary				
Racially Aggravated Conduct	Q1 2018/19	Q1 2019/20	Change	TYTD Per 10,000 population			
conduct	20	19	-5%	2.1			
R	<ul> <li>Please note that in respect of recorded Hate Crimes, this section only includes;</li> <li>CRIM LAW CONSOLID 1995 S50A(1)(B)&amp;(5)CAUSE DISTRESS &amp; ALARM</li> <li>RACIALLY AGGRAVATED HARASSMENT (CRIMINAL LAW (CONSOLIDATION) (S) ACT 1995 S50A(1)(A)) RACIST</li> </ul>						
	Official Hate Crime statistics include all crime types which have a hate crime aggravator added to the crime. The aggravators are as follows:						
	• Disability						
	• Race						
	Religion or belief						
	<ul> <li>Sexual Orientation</li> <li>Transgender Identity</li> </ul>						
	-	crime which is perceived by the victim or any other person to be partly) by malice and ill-will towards a social group".					
	There has been a <b>5% reduction</b> when comparing reporting periods, which is an equivalent of 1 less crime.						
	The detection rate is <b>70.6%,</b> which is a <b>4.4%</b> reduction when making the same comparison.						
	For further information on Hate Crime you can visit the Police So following link:						
	https://www.scotland.p	police.uk/whats-happe	ening/campaigns/20	019/hate-crime-2019/			

It is known that some victims and witnesses of Hate Crime do not feel comfortable reporting the matter directly to police. To minimise underreporting, Police Scotland work in partnership with a variety of agencies who perform the role of Third Party Reporting Centres. These partners have been trained to assist people in submitting a report to the police, or they can make a report on their behalf. We will continue to raise awareness of hate crime and Third Party Reporting Centres through social media and national initiatives such as Keep Safe.

There are over 400 third party reporting sites across Scotland.

Hate Crime in Midlothian can be reported to police via phone number 101 or Third Party Reporting as follows;

Midlothian Third Party Reporting Contacts					
Dalkeith Library	2 White Hart Street, Dalkeith, Midlothian, EH22 1AE	01316632083			
Dalkeith Citizen Advice Bureau	8 Buccleuch Street, Dalkeith, EH22 1HA	0131 654 9059			
Dalkeith Midlothian Women's Aid	29A Eskbank Road, Dalkeith, Midlothian, EH22 1HJ	01316639827			
Danderhall Library	1a Campview, Danderhall, Midlothian, EH22 1QB	0131 663 9293			
East & Midlothian Travellers Site	Old Dalkeith Colliery, Dalkeith	01316542095			
Gorebridge Library	98 Hunterfield Road, Gorebridge, Midlothian, EH22 4TT	01875 820 630			
LasswadeLibrary	The Lasswade Centre, 19 Eskdale Drive, Bonnyrigg, Midlothian, EH19 2LA	0131 271 4534			
Loanhead Library	George Library, Loanhead, Midlothian, EH209LA	0131 440 0824			
Mayfield Library	Stone Avenue, Mayfield, Midlothian, EH22 5PB	01316632126			
Midlothian Council Fairfield House	8 Lothian Road, Dalkeith, EH22 3AA	01312716677			
MPEG - Midlothian Peoples Equality Group	(Telephone only)	0131 663 9609			
Newtongrange Library	St David's, Newtongrange, Midlothian, EH22 4LG	01316631816			
Penicuik Citizen Advice Bureau	14A John Street, Penicuik, EH26 8AB	01968 675 259			
Penicuik Midlothian's Women Aid	10 Carnethy Avenue, Penicuik, EH26 8AR	01968 670 970			
Penicuik Library	Penicuik Centre, Carlops Road, Penicuik, Midlothian	01968 664 050			
St Joseph's Services	72 Carnethie Street, Rosewell, EH24 9AR	0131 440 7200			

Protecting People	Executive Summary					
Sexual Crimes	Q1 2018/19	Q1 2019/20	Change	TYTD Per 10,000 population		
(Group 2)	51	60	17.6%	6.77		
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## Reducing Violence

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Reducing Violence
Crimes of Violence (Group 1)



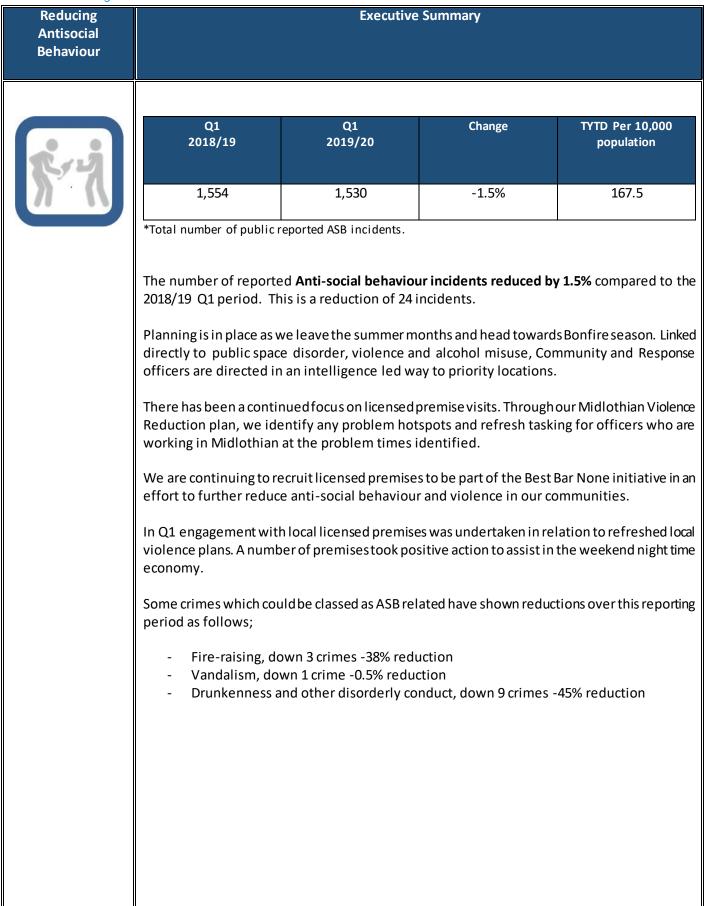
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	• Detection rates for Group 1 (76.3%), Serious Assault (88.9%) and Robbery (75%) remain healthy, however work continues to bring more suspects to justice.
	• Section 1 Domestic Abuse Act Scotland, is recorded as a Group 1 crime. Midlothian recorded 1 crime during the reporting period.
	• Detection rate for Common Assault at Week 19 now sits at 63.8%. An improvement of 7.5% since Q1.
	The Lothians and Scottish Borders Division is proactively working to reduce violence through a variety of methods;
	- Under the banner of Operation Parejos, J Division established a dedicated resource to investigate violent crime and target offenders. A variety of Prevention, Intelligence Gathering and Enforcement opportunities were progressed during Q1, and continue to be pursued. This activity seeks to bring suspects to justice and as a by-product improve detection rates.
	- Implementation of Violence Reduction plans across J Division, including in Midlothian, where officers deploy with an intelligence-led focus on licensed premises and open- space violence in higher tariff areas. Interventions and targeted disruption activities, such as proactive bail checks, are also being carried out with violent offenders to deter further criminality. This activity seeks to reduce violence.
	- Pub Watch is being reintroduced in Bonnyrigg. This scheme was run a number of years ago however it ended. The intention is to formally publicise the Pub Watch in the Midlothian Advertiser in the near future. This is excellent progress and will assist in tackling alcohol related violence and Anti-Social Behaviour in the area.
	It is however clear that collective partnership working is ongoing across Midlothian to address crimes of violence and as we move forward it is assessed that a number of areas can, and should, be explored further namely:
	<ul> <li>A collective approach to support and enhance the Best Bar None project across Midlothian;</li> </ul>
	- Work collectively with the Local Authority and License holders to minimise alcohol related violence across our communities;
	Through analysis identify the maximum opportunities for the utilisation of resource used to support the night time economy such as 'street work' and the potential introduction of Taxi Marshalls.

# Making our Roads Safer

Making our Roads Safer	Executive Summary						
Road Casualties			Q1 2018/19	Q1 2019/2	0	Change	
		Fatal	0	0		0%	
		Serious	6	1		-83%	
		Slight	31	20		-35%	
				Q1 2018/19	Q1 2019/20	Change	
	Dangerous driving			12	13	8.3%	
		Speeding		9	5	-44%	
		Disqualified o	Iriving	10	11	10%	
		Driving Licen	ce	32	23	-28%	
		Insurance		81	67	-17%	
		Seat Belts		0	1	100%	
		Mobile Phone	9	5	6	20%	
		Drink/Drug D Detections	riving	33	20	-39.4%	
	<ul> <li>Over the reporting period there were 0 fatalities in Midlothian. Overall all road casualti reduced by 42.5%. This reduction was driven by;</li> <li>83% reduction in serious road injuries</li> <li>35% reduction in slight road injuries</li> <li>We continued to support National Roads Safety campaigns, and have further plans mapp through to the end of the reporting year.</li> <li>In the summer months Midlothian Police assisted with the National Drink/Drug Drive Campaic carried out and Op Close Pass road safety initiative, which was carried out in Penicuik.</li> </ul>						

### Reducing Antisocial Behaviour



	ous and Organised Crime and Counter Terrorism
Tackling Serious and Organised Crime and Counter Terrorism	Executive Summary
National Terror Threat - SEVERE	The National Terror Threat Level remains at SEVERE meaning an attack is highly likely. The Counter Terrorism Liaison Officer for J Division has provided WRAP – Workshop to Raise Awareness of Prevent training to the Midlothian School Link Officers and Concern Hub staff at Dalkeith. This has resulted in increased confidence to report appropriate concerns to the Prevent Delivery Unit East. In June a Crime Scene Preservation and Counter Terrorism Workshop was run in Midlothian in conjunction with the National Licenced Trade Partnership and Best Bar None. The workshop was aimed at staff working in licenced premises and provided advice in line with the National Counter Terrorism Security Office (NaCTSO) guidance for crowded places and the night time economy. This event was well attended.
	Police Scotland were involved in the Midlothian Prevent Peer Review which took place in May. This highlighted strong links between police and Midlothian Council to robustly tackle extremism concerns raised in the Midlothian area. These processes continue to work well. The J Division CTLO continues to work on a leaflet designed to offer advice to parents who may be concerned about their child becoming involved in extremism. This leaflet arose from a working group set up by partners involved in Lothian and Scot Borders Multi Agency Contest Group as it was recognised that no such advice was available. The leaflet is currently undergoing the Police Scotland Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessment process and it's hoped that on completion it can be made available to all four J Division local authority areas.
	Midlothian Police continue to make good use of social media to share important counter terrorism messages in line with national campaigns. At the start of the summer Run, Hide, Tell International Campaign was run to target holiday makers with vital safety information. The four minute film highlights what to do in the unlikely event of a terror attack. You can find the campaign video via YouTube here: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kzcldaLbYPA&amp;t=3s</u>

# Tackling Serious and Organised Crime and Counter Terrorism

## Reducing Housebreaking

Reducing Housebreaking	Executive Summary					
Housebreaking	Crime Type	Q1 2018/19	Q1 2019/20	Change	TYTD Per 10,000 population	Q1 2019/20 Detection Rate
	Dwelling HB	34	23	-32.3%	2.6	21.7%
-72	Non Dwelling (Sheds, garages) HB	31	31		3.5	6.5%
-7	Other (Business) HB	28	18	-35%	2.03	22.2%
	ALLHB	93	72	-22.5%	8.13	15.3%

Tackling the Housebreaking element of Dishonesty / Acquisitive Crime, and as such working to Protect People by reducing the impact (both financial and personal) that it has on our communities' remains a priority for the Lothians & Scottish Borders (J) Division and Midlothian. Given the wide range of 'acquisitive crimes' this priority is covered in 2 sections within this report;

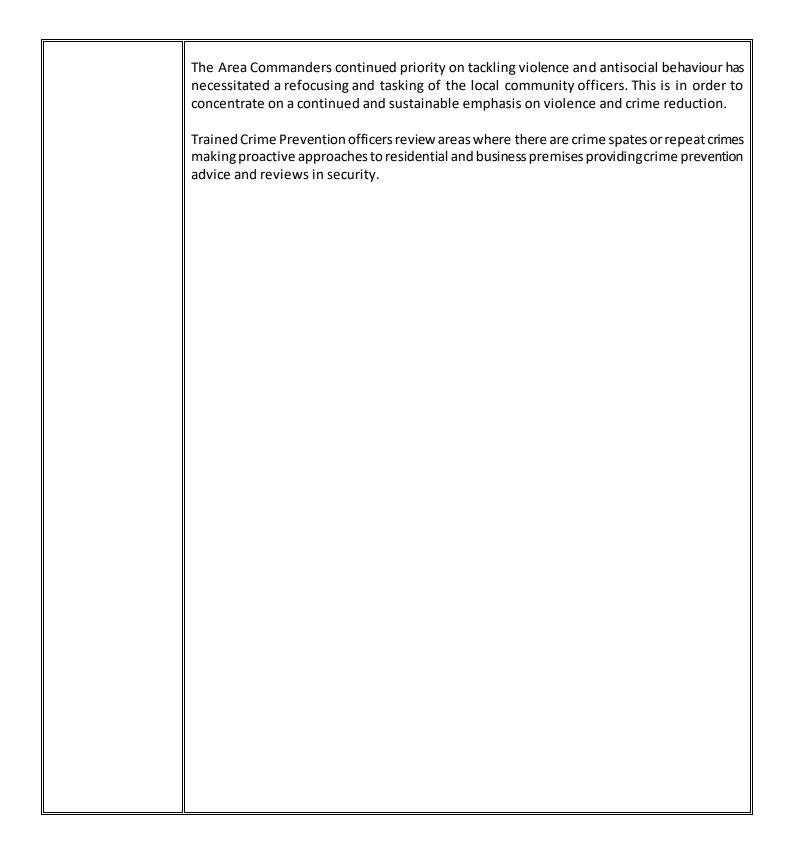
Housebreaking (which is covered in this section) Dishonesty (which is covered on page 12)

During the Q1 2019/2020 Housebreaking (including attempts) crimes decreased **by 22.5%** when compared to last year's reporting period. This equates to 21 fewer victims. (This overall figure incorporates all housebreaking crimes).

Further breakdown of the data provided in the table above yields the following;

- There were **11 fewer** reports of dwelling Housebreaking in Midlothian for the comparable period last year, a **fall of 32.3%.** Additionally there were **10 fewer** business housebreakings.
- **18 of the 72** crimes recorded in Q1 were attempted housebreakings.
- Detection rate for Housebreakings to Dwellings is **21.7%** (a decrease **of 6.9%** on Q1 last year). However for **Week 19 it is now 26.3%**.
- The detection rate for Housebreaking, encompassing dwelling, non-dwelling and business, is **15.3%**. After concerted effort and additional work undertaken, the detection rate for Week **19 it is now 22.1%**.

J Division continues to work with other Police Scotland Divisions to tackle an organised group of criminals who predominantly target high-value vehicles, which are then often used in the commission of other crime. We are committed to working with neighbouring territorial policing divisions and specialist resources to share and target our resources to maximum effect.



#### MCAT Vision

Impact positively on life quality within the communities of Midlothian by reducing all types of antisocial behaviour through prevention, disruption and enforcement.

### Q1 Activities

**1. High Visibility Patrolling:** the provision of community support and reassurance by undertaking high visibility vehicle, foot and cycle patrols focusing on identified antisocial behaviour issues.

MCAT officers have carried out a wide range of patrols. This has included to target areas with existing or emerging issues, and sees them carried out in vehicles, on foot and on quad bikes. In excess of 600 hours of patrols are carried out each month, taking advantage of the lighter evenings but also responding to local needs.

**2. Recidivist Offenders:** *intelligence led focus on individuals known to engage in antisocial behaviour, drugs use/supply and persistent alcohol abuse, with specific attention being given to persons subject to ASBOs and judicial bails (including curfews).* 

All opportunities are taken to challenge recidivist offenders, often historically responsible for a large number of offences.

Bail curfew checks have steadily increased and we have seen more of these curfews being set by the courts. In the first quarter there has been a 96% compliance rate, demonstrating how effective these can be at curtailing certain types of offending.

Bail Curfew Check COMPLIANT	341
Bail Curfew Check FAILED	14
Arrest on warrant	42
Search Person MDA Positive	51
Search Person MDA Negative	28
Search Property MDA Positive	5
Search Property MDA Negative	2
Search Weapons Positive	3
Search Weapons Negative	4
Search Stolen Property Positive	2
Search Stolen Property Negative	2
Search Weapons Positive	3
Search Weapons Negative	4
Search Stolen Property Positive	2
Search Stolen Property Negative	2

**3. Youth Engagement:** actively engage with youths and foster a positive image of the police and their local communities. Act as primary first responders to youth calls, disrupt antisocial behaviour and enforce appropriate legislation firmly but fairly. Maximise alcohol seizures. Engage with partners and CBO colleagues to identify appropriate support and diversionary activities.

Youth Calls Attended	126
Alcohol Seizures	60
Children At Risk VPDs Submitted	22

**4.** Licensed Premises: monitor licensed premises activity and act as first responders to antisocial behaviour related incidents whenever possible.

LP Visit Public House	14
LP Visit Off Sales	5

**5. Support Partners & Colleagues:** engage with community partners to work together towards the vision and promote joint patrolling. Support divisional colleagues by acting as first responders to antisocial behaviour related incidents that are occurring in real time whenever possible. Instigate and contribute to operations and initiatives linked to the core vision.

Joint Activity NHS/SAS	9
Joint Activity Local Council	4
Joint Activity SFRS	9
Joint Activity Public Event	10

6. Road Safety: tackle antisocial vehicle use, giving specific attention to inconsiderate vehicle use on the Midlothian road network and the illegal use of off-road motorcycles. Maximise the appropriate use of ASBO warnings and vehicle seizures.

A number of road checks have been carried out, normally targeting speeding hotspots.

MCAT officers have also dealt with a mixture of incidents such as drivers with no insurance or driving licence, disqualified driving and being unfit through consumption of alcohol.

All opportunities are taken to breathalyse drivers, where there are legal grounds, and MCAT officers also contributed to the broader Police Scotland summer drink drive campaign.

Static Road Checks	16
Fixed Penalty Tickets (RTA only)	3
Section 165 Seizures	3
Breath Tests Negative (pass)	55
Breath Tests Positive (fail)	4
ASBO Warnings	1
ASBO Seizures	0

### Q2 and Planned Activity

There is a focused summer long campaign to deal with antisocial behaviour by young people. This will look at all types of behaviour.

Further plans will be developed through the next quarter according to local needs and requirements.

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### Dear All,

You are receiving this email because your details have been identified to us as the lead elected member for scrutiny of policing in your local authority. If you are not the correct elected member for your local authority to be receiving this email then I would be grateful If you would either pass it on as appropriate or advise me of who the correct recipient should be.

The Scottish Government is today launching its consultation on a new set of Strategic Police Priorities, to set the high level strategic direction for policing in Scotland.

The Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 enables Scottish Ministers to set these high level priorities for the policing of Scotland and the carrying out of the Scottish Police Authority's (SPA) functions. A commitment to revisit these this year was included in the <u>2018-19 Programme for Government</u>, the current Priorities having now been in place for nearly 3 years. We are reviewing them, in light of the further significant developments which have taken place in policing over that time, and in advance of SPA's own refresh of its Strategic Police Plan to be published next year.

To develop the six draft Priorities for consultation, the Scottish Government has engaged with a number of key partners, including the SPA, Police Scotland, Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary in Scotland (HMICS), the Police Investigation and Review Commissioner, COSLA (official level), the Scottish Police Federation and the Association of Scottish Police Superintendents. We now look forward to receiving further input from the widest possible range of stakeholders.

The consultation will run until 4 October 2019, and we expect to publish the new Priorities in November. The consultation documents can be accessed at:

### https://consult.gov.scot/safer-communities/review-of-strategic-police-priorities

We would be happy to engage directly with elected members involved in local scrutiny of policing. Subject to our availability, we would welcome the opportunity to attend some scheduled meetings of local scrutiny committees during the consultation period, and would be happy to hear feedback directly from members on the draft Priorities. Equally, we would be happy to arrange to speak to scrutiny conveners or their officials to discuss the consultation. Our details are:

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