



BRAESIDE & MANNOFIELD Community Council Report

This report covers progress we have made in dealing with your priorities for the Braeside & Mannofield Community Council area during November 2020.

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.

COVID 19 – UPDATE

Details of what can and cannot be done in the **Scottish Government** 5-level system to help tackle the spread of the virus can be found via the following link.

Aberdeen City will remain in **Level 2** as of 25/11/2020.

<https://www.gov.scot/binaries/content/documents/govscot/publications/strategy-plan/2020/10/covid-19-scotlands-strategic-framework/documents/annex-1-protection-levels-framework/annex-1-protection-levels-framework/govscot%3Adocument/annex-1-protection-levels-framework.pdf>

Remember FACTS to help protect yourselves and others:

- 🧐 **Face coverings**
- 🚫 **Avoid crowded spaces**
- 🧼 **Clean your hands regularly**
- ↔ **Two metre distance**
- 🏠 **Self-isolate and book a test if you have symptoms**

Community Policing Priorities

Antisocial behaviour, Violence and Disorder:

Over the month there have been a few instances of anti-social behaviour. One incident on the 1st Nov where youths rang a doorbell and ran away on Gordon Road. A week later Police received a report of youths having moved some cones on Great Western Road at its junction with Craigton Road. On both occasions the youths had departed prior to Police arrival and no identities were established.

Officers continue to patrol area's known to have issues with anti-social behaviour where duties permit and will deal with any offences detected robustly. We continue to rely on members of the public reporting any criminality to Police so we can take action.

Acquisitive Crime:

About 2100hrs on Wednesday 18th November two males were seen acting suspiciously in the Airyhall Drive area of Aberdeen. Both described as white males with dark hair, one wearing a camouflage jacket and the other all in black and thinner build. Incident 3589 of the 18th refers. No criminality was established but a timely reminder to be vigilant and report any suspicious activity to Police.

About 1430 hours on Tuesday 24th November the White Volkswagon Transporter Van registration mark RE18 PWK was stolen from the Seafield Road area and last seen travelling in the Countesswells Road direction. Suspect male is described as White, mid to late 20s, 5ft 10in, large build, dark short hair, dressed all in black. Enquiries are ongoing in relation to this and anyone with information or dash cam footage is asked to call 101 quoting incident 1696 of 24th November.

I would encourage all members of the public to remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity to Police immediately on 101 or 999 if an emergency, remembering to provide as much detail/descriptions of persons as possible.

Road Safety & Road Crime:

Over the weekend of 14th and 15th November officers from the Community Policing Team (CPT) supported by our colleagues from Roads Policing carried out static road checks and spoke to motorists in relation to winter road safety across the CPT. During this period officers spoke to in excess of 70 motorists giving advice for the season ahead. Unfortunately nearly 27 motorists were spoken to in relation to their speed in residential areas including one who was captured travelling at 53mph in a 30mph limit and has been reported to the Procurator Fiscal.

Residents in the areas affected by antisocial driving are encouraged to contact Police on 101 at the time to report incidents in order for us to take positive action.

Community Engagement & Reassurance



As the nights get darker earlier Police Scotland is reminding you to review your home security.

Some advice on keeping your home secure.

- Use timer switches on lights and radios to make it look as if your home is occupied
- Ensure all doors and windows are secure when you leave and when you go to bed
- If possible use security lighting at the front and back of your property
- Make sure all garden tools and ladders are locked away when not being used
- Use a good quality lock on any garden sheds and outhouses
- Make a note of all makes, models and serial numbers of your property
- Create a FREE private and secure inventory of all your personal property at www.immobilise.com

If you notice anything suspicious in your neighbourhood report it to Police Scotland on 101.



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Darker Nights mean it is easier for thieves to target your property so follow our advice to keep your home safe after dark.

Your Home

Most housebreakings are carried out by opportunist thieves – so take away the opportunity and keep your home and possessions safe.

Lock the Door

Obvious isn't it? But some people don't do it. Lock the door even if you're only out for a short time. If you have window locks, lock those too. Get into the habit of locking the door when you are at home. This stops people coming in if you are in another part of the house or garden.

Keep Your Keys out of Sight

Don't leave your keys on the inside of locks or just inside the door. If you have a spare key, don't leave it under a mat, plant-pot or other easy to spot place at home. Never keep house keys and car keys on the same ring. Make it as hard as possible to break into your home or to steal your car.

Make Your House Look Occupied

Away from home? Use timers on lights and radios so that it seems like there's someone at home. If you are going away on holiday, avoid announcing this publicly on social media.

Show People That Your Property Is Secure

Thieves are put off by visible security alarms and carefully directed security lighting. Just make sure they don't disturb your neighbours by going off unnecessarily.

Valuables and Cash

Avoid keeping large amounts of cash in the house.

Keys

Cars fitted with immobilisers can't be hotwired. This means that keys are needed to drive your car. Keep your keys safe. Don't leave them in the lock of your front door, or on the kitchen counter. When you are out, keep them with you at all times.

A key is used in 70% of car thefts. By keeping your keys safe, you're reducing the risk of your car being stolen by more than two thirds.

Possessions

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If possible, don't leave belongings in your car. Take them with you if you can. If not, lock them in the boot out of sight.

Further Information

Neighbourhood Watch: www.neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk

Police Scotland: www.scotland.police.uk



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Also available are the three following contact email addresses for the West End:

AiryhallBroomhillGarthdeeCPT@Scotland.pnn.police.uk

HazleheadAshleyQueensCrossCPT@Scotland.pnn.police.uk

TorryFerryhillCPT@scotland.pnn.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. The process for reporting any crimes or offences is to call 101, where our Service Centre will log the call on our Command and Control system and allocate the incident to our area. Using this process negates the possibility of the report being missed and also ensures that the caller's details, addresses and telephone numbers are noted for our awareness and response.

Should you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to discuss these with the Officer attending your Community Council Meeting or by emailing the above e-mail addresses or our Service Centre. It is not necessary to wait until the meeting and your local CPT Inspector, PI Sim welcomes your contact.

Contact Us

Please also remember you can communicate with us using any of the following:

- 📞 101 – Non emergency
- 📧 Email - ****CPT@Scotland.pnn.police.uk
- 📘 Facebook – www.facebook.com/NorthEastPoliceDivision
- 🌐 Web – www.scotland.police.uk
- 📞 999 – Emergency
- 📞 0800 555 111 - Crimestoppers

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