

## EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

KILMARNOCK CENTRAL LOCAL COMMITTEE – 31 August 2004

### SAFER STREETS POLICING REPORT 'U' DIVISION

Report by William Stafford  
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on behalf of Superintendent Liz Weir  
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#### 1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To advise Members of the nature and results of policing issues, operations and localised crime figures the preceding period.

#### 2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Members previously agreed to make “Safer Streets” a standing item on the Committee’s agenda. Community Safety is the central theme that guides all policing in East Ayrshire.
- 2.2.1 This report gives a general overview of crime in the Local Committee area. Community Constables will continue to report to their respective Community Councils with more detailed information, specific to that area. Disorder offences, defined by the Scottish Executive as Breach of the Peace, Urinating in Public, Drunk and Incapable and Consumption of Alcohol in a Public Place will now be included in the report. The figure given is the sum total of these offences.

#### 3. DISCUSSION

- 3.1 **Crime Trends** (all figures relate to the Local Committee area)

	House breaking to homes	House breaking to garages and sheds	House breaking to Commercial premises, Schools etc.	Vehicle crime	Vandalism	Drugs
April 2003 – July 2003	25	18	23	96	74	24
April 2004 – July 2004	20	2	31	146	129	61

3.1.2 The number of 'supplying offences' reported to the Procurator Fiscal rose from 1 to 16.

3.1.3 Disorder offences fell from 204 in 2003 to 243 in 2004.

3.1.4 The detection rate for Group 1 – 7 crimes (all crimes and offences) is currently running at 64%.

## **5 FINANCIAL/LEGAL/POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 Nil.

## **6 CONCLUSIONS**

6.1 Policing in East Ayrshire is designed to combat local concerns and problems. The involvement of Members and the local community is essential to reducing crime and the fear of crime.

## **7 RECOMMENDATIONS**

7.1 It is recommended that Committee: -

- i) identify any local problems which may be addressed by a local officers; and
- ii) otherwise note the content of this report.

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13 August 2004  
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## **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

**Nil.**

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