

## EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

KILMARNOCK CENTRAL LOCAL COMMITTEE – 16 March 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 2002 – Jan 2003	28	11	55	287	184	123
April 2003 – Jan 2004	46	36	53	269	143	96

- 3.1.2 The number of 'supplying offences' reported to the Procurator Fiscal fell from 24 to 12.
- 3.1.3 Disorder offences fell from 623 in 2002/03 to 587 in 2003/04.
- 3.1.4 The detection rate for Group 1 – 7 crimes (all crimes and offences) is currently running at 72%.

#### **4 FINANCIAL/LEGAL/POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 Nil.

#### **6 CONCLUSIONS**

- 5.1 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.

#### **6 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 6.1 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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#### **LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

**Nil.**

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