

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL
KILMARNOCK NORTH LOCAL COMMITTEE – 14 September 2004
SAFER STREETS
POLICING REPORT
'U' DIVISION
Report by William Stafford
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on behalf of Superintendent Elizabeth Weir
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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To advise Members of crime figure relative to the Kilmarnock North Local Committee area.

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 and policing activity 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. Beat 35 refers to Northwest Kilmarnock.

3. DISCUSSION

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

3.1.1 **Northwest Kilmarnock**

	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	54	10	7	82	63	55
April 2004 – July 2004	41	13	21	111	160	40

3.1.2 The number of 'supplying offences' in Northwest Kilmarnock reported to the Procurator Fiscal fell from 23 to 9.

3.1.3 The number of 'disorder' offences in Northwest Kilmarnock rose from 88 to 141.

3.1.4 The detection rate in Northwest Kilmarnock for group's 1 – 7 crimes (all crimes and offences) is currently running at 45%.

3.1.4 **New Farm Loch**

	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	13	11	70	49	43
April 2004 – July 2004	14	2	5	43	92	47

3.1.5 The number of 'supplying offences' in New Farm Loch reported to the Procurator Fiscal was 22 compared to 17 for the same period last year.

3.1.6 The number of 'disorder offences in New Farm Loch rose from 33 to 148.

3.1.7 The detection rate in New Farm Loch for group's 1 – 7 crimes (all crimes and offences) is currently running at 66%.

4 **BETTER NEIGHBOURHOOD SERVICES FUND**

4.1 No updated report is available at this time.

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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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

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