

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

NORTHERN AREA LOCAL COMMITTEE – 4th May 2006 SAFER STREETS STRATHCLYDE POLICE REPORT

Report by Superintendent Elizabeth Weir
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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To advise Local Committee Members of Crime Figures and Police activity within their area. Community Constables will continue to report to their respective Community Councils with more detailed information. This meeting will also provide an opportunity for members to provide feedback to Strathclyde Police on areas of concern and to have these concerns addressed.

2. CRIME TRENDS

- 2.1.1 The following crime statistics relate the area of East Ayrshire Beat 39, which covers Stewarton, Dunlop, Kilmaurs, Lugton, Fenwick and Waterside North.

They cover the period from 1 April 2005 to 31 February 2006.

	Crimes of Violence	House breaking to homes	House breaking to garages and sheds	House breaking to Commercial premises, Schools etc.	Vehicle crime	Drugs	
						Possession	Supply
April 2004-Feb 2005	104	16	8	18	35	12	3
April 2005 – Feb 2006	96	29	7	9	63	15	13

- 2.1.2 Through high visibility policing and good work from various departments within the police, violent crime is down slightly on the same period last year. Domestic Housebreakings are up, whilst they are down in schools as well as other property. Vehicle related crime shows an increase on last year's figures. Detected drug related crimes are up this reporting period.

2.1.3 The detection rate for group 1 – 7 crimes (all crimes and offences) in the Northern area is currently running at 61%, which is an extremely favourable detection rate.

2.1.4 The Ayrshire Division Control Strategy for 2005 – 2006 focus's on Violent Crime, Acquisitive Crime, Vandalism and Anti Social behaviour. Efforts over the year will impact positively on the above figures.

3. OVERVIEW ON ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

3.1.1 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.

3.1.2 Disorder dropped from 143 to 107 within the designated period, the majority of which were Breach of the Peace offences.

3.1.3 Vandalism has decreased from 160 to 127 within the designated period.

3.1.4 There are currently no Anti-Social Behaviour Orders in place within the Northern Area. Local officers work closely with partner agencies including the Housing Department, Neighbourhood Disputes Team, SACRO mediation service as well as Atrium Homes to address local concerns at the earliest opportunity by the most effective means.

4. RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1.1 It is recommended that the Committee: -

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

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

Nil.

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