

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

CUMNOCK AREA LOCAL COMMITTEE - 11 SEPTEMBER 2003

STRATHCLYDE POLICE REPORT

Report by the Chief Inspector

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To advise the Local Committee of crime trends within their area.

2. CRIME TRENDS

2.1 Crime continues to fall within the Cumnock Area Local Committee area with a decrease of 24.8% from 722 crimes to 543 crimes for the fiscal year to date (April - July 2003)

- crimes of serious violence, up 30% from 10 crimes to 13;
- housebreakings and attempts thereat, down 9.9% from 91 crimes to 82;
- vehicle crime, down 44.8% from 125 crimes to 69;
- other dishonesties, down 27.4% from 135 crimes to 98;
- crimes of vandalism, down 16.1% from 180 crimes to 151;
- drug offences, down 21.4%, from 103 offences to 81; and
- drug supply offences are down 43.7% from 32 to 18 with possession offences down 11.2% from 71 to 63.

3. PRO-ACTIVITY

3.1 For the year to date (April to July), Officers based in Cumnock and Doon Valley searched 332 persons for drugs. 1,150 searches for weapons have also been carried out as well as 480 visits to licensed premises.

3.2 Over the same period, Officers dealt with 692 offences of which 254 were disorder related. This is a 9.6% reduction on the previous year when there were 281 incidents of disorder.

3.3 The detection rate for the Cumnock and Doon Valley area stands at 45.5%

4. RECOMMENDATION

4.1 The Local Committee are asked to note the report.

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