

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

DOON VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE – 3 JUNE 2003

STRATHCLYDE POLICE REPORT

Report by the Superintendent

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

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

2. CRIME TRENDS

2.1 Crime figures for the fiscal year to date (April to March) show a decrease of 29.3% for the Doon Valley Local Committee area from 672 crimes to 475:-

- crimes of serious violence, down 20,6% from 29 crimes to 23;
- housebreakings and attempts thereat, down 22.8% from 79 crimes to 61;
- vehicle crime is down 52.9% from 70 crimes to 33;
- other dishonesties, down 38% from 92 crimes to 57;
- crimes of vandalism, down 34.9% from 189 crimes to 123.

2.2 The number of drug possession offences are up too, from 18 offences to 20, however supply offences are down 23 from 25 to 2.

2.3 Vehicle crime continues to be against the trend with a substantial reduction in the Doon Valley Area.

3. PRO-ACTIVITY

3.1 For the fiscal year to date (April to March), Officers based in the Cumnock and Doon Valley area have searched 1,157 persons for drugs. 6,799 searches for weapons have also been carried out, as well as 2,819 visits to licensed premises.

3.2 Over the same period, Officers dealt with 2,465 offences of which 633 were disorder related. This is a 10.6% reduction on the previous year when there were 708 incidents of disorder.

3.3 The detection rate for the Cumnock and Doon Valley area stands at 46.4%.

4. RECOMMENDATION

4.1 The Committee are asked to note the report.

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