

## EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

DOON VALLEY LOCAL COMMITTEE - 4 NOVEMBER 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 Reported crime for the first six months of the year (April-September) within the Doon Valley Local Committee Area shows a decrease of 12.5% from 255 crimes to 233. This is over and above the 19.7% decrease for the same period last year.

- Serious crimes of violence are static at 11
- Housebreakings and attempts thereat - 44.4% (from 39 crimes to 27)
- Vehicle crime + 36% (from 16 crimes to 25)
- Other dishonesties - 3% (from 34 crimes to 33)
- Vandalism - 30% (from 104 crimes to 80)
- Drug offences - 11% (from 9 offences to 8)

#### 3. PRO-ACTIVITY

- 3.1 For the year to date officers based in the Cumnock & Doon Valley Area have searched 468 persons for drugs. 1842 searches for weapons have also been carried out, with 15 knives/offensive weapons being recovered, and 726 visits to licensed premises, all aimed at reducing violence and disorder within the Community.

Drinking in public offences are up 134% from 35 to 82 as a consequence of targeted Action Plans in all Communities.

Over the same period officers dealt with 1063 offences, of which 334 were disorder related. This is a 4% increase on previous year, when there were 321 incidents of disorder.

The detection rate for Cumnock and Doon Valley Area is 46.4%.

#### 4. RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1 The Committee are asked to note the report.

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