

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

NORTHERN AREA LOCAL COMMITTEE – 22 JANUARY 2003

**SAFER STREETS
POLICING REPORT
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Report by Director of Community Services

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To advise Members of the nature and results of policing issues, operations, localised crime figures and ongoing initiatives over the preceding period, and to advise of forthcoming initiatives.

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. To improve the local interest of this report, several topical areas of specific local interest will now be included.
- 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.

3. DISCUSSION

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

	House breaking to homes	House breaking to garages and sheds	House breaking to Commercial premises, Schools etc.	Vehicle crime	Vandalism	Drugs
April 2001 – Nov 2001	38	10	12	53	82	17
April 2002 – Nov 2002	16	11	15	56	84	16

- 3.1.2 The number of ‘supplying offences’ reported to the Procurator Fiscal fell from 4 to 2.

4 FINANCIAL/LEGAL/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Nil.

6 CONCLUSIONS

5.1 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.

6 RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 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

Nil.

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