



**POLICE  
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Keeping people safe

## **Northfield**

Multi Member Ward Plan 2014

# Our focus. Your priorities.

This policing plan will outline the priorities your community identified during our most recent consultation and will inform you of how we plan to address them throughout the year.

Our focus is to reduce crime and disorder, to increase public reassurance within your community and to keep people safe.

We will continue to work closely with our partners to find effective long-term solutions to the issues you raised.

## Local Priorities

This plan sets out how we intend to deal with your priorities. You identified that the priorities for the Northfield area were:

### 1. Antisocial Behaviour

You told us about people, predominantly young people, behaving irresponsibly both in public spaces and houses and antisocial motorcycling having a detrimental effect upon the quality of life of those who live and work in the Northfield area.

### 2. Drug Dealing and Drug Misuse

You told us your concerns regarding drug abuse and drug dealing within the Northfield area and the effect that has upon the community.

### 3. Car Crime

You told us that you are concerned about the impact upon the community regarding a number of young people living in the area committing crime, using stolen cars and motorcycles dangerously, endangering members of the community and causing antisocial behaviour.

### 4. Road Safety

You told us your concerns about drivers speeding and disregarding traffic directions and road signs throughout the area.

We have acted on your concerns and are sure you will have seen improvements in the Northfield area.

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# Our actions to date.

## **Antisocial Behaviour**

We have continued to focus our resources on reports of antisocial behaviour by conducting high visibility patrols and Operations to address problems. Local officers have targeted these concerns supported by partner agencies to reduce occurrences and improve the quality of life of people working in and using the area.

We have identified locations where historically patterns of unacceptable behaviour have occurred, allowing us to predict future problems. Here we have made effective use of the specialist and Campaign Against Violence officers - through dedicated patrols and Operations including Op MacAulay to tackle violence and forms of antisocial behaviour early, before they become habitual.

## **Project Fit**

We have seen the continued success of 'Project Fit', the result of partnership working through the Northfield Youth Action Group. Aimed at teenagers it provides opportunities to participate in sports, art and other diversionary activities in a safe environment over a number of evenings, providing a positive outlet. Over the winter months we moved the Project into the Northfield Academy to ensure its continued availability to local youths.

## **Communicating with You**

We have been continuing to communicate with the public by attending local community meetings, making use of printed, broadcast and social media, increasingly through the use of Twitter, to reinforce safety and crime prevention messages. While taking on board local complaints, we have been able to impress on the community the importance of reporting their concerns and encouraging early reporting, allowing us to intervene quickly before the problems evolve and behaviour becomes embedded.

## **Targeted Operations**

We have been actively supporting Operations Ruby and Whitebeam, which are designed to address the theft, misuse and dangerous use of vehicles across the city. This work allowing us to bring a local focus to these operations, addressing your concerns. Our operations will continue to bring this local focus.

## **Drug Dealing and Misuse**

We have been working closely with Divisional and Specialist Crime Division Colleagues to target, disrupt and apprehend those engaged in the supply and distribution of controlled drugs to the Northfield area, which continues to have a significant impact on the lives of those in the area. We are constantly working to improve the information and intelligence received from the public about the supply and dealing networks in the area.

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# In the coming months.

## **Drug Dealing and Misuse**

We will give particular attention to the collation of information from the community about those suspected of being in possession of controlled drugs to build an accurate picture as to who is responsible for supplying drugs in the Community and we will work closely with colleagues, making it as difficult as possible for drug dealers to operate successfully in Northfield.

## **Targetting Criminals**

We will target individuals responsible for all forms of crime in our community by making effective use of our stop search powers.

## **Domestic Abuse**

We will work closely with our Domestic Abuse Investigation Unit to robustly address Domestic Crime, supporting the victims and efficiently and quickly introducing offenders into the justice system.

## **Road Safety**

We will work closely with our Road Policing department to assist local staff in intelligence-led operations focusing on the issues you identify, with dangerous parking and inconsiderate driving regular complaints.

## **Antisocial Behaviour**

We will continue to focus on Antisocial Behaviour during our patrols over the coming months with activity already planned as the evenings stretch towards the

summer. By reporting incidents of concern, you can help us build a picture of what is going on locally and where our resources need to be.

## **Road Crime**

We will continue to focus on auto criminals across Northfield, supporting Road Crime and Road Safety Operations, working with our Road Policing and Detective colleagues to deter and detect offenders. This work will need the concerted efforts of Police Scotland colleagues and the vigilance and support of our local community to minimise the opportunities for these criminals and make the positive and lasting impact we all seek.

## **Youth Safety**

We will work with the Northfield Youth Action Group to target those at risk of involvement in auto crime and the misuse of Novel Psychoactive Substances, often referred to as 'Legal Highs', raising the awareness of the dangers and educating our young people to make the right lifestyle choices.

## **Communicating with You**

We will make use of leaflet drops, media releases and social media which you have told us is the most effective way to distribute local information. We will be 'Tweeting' advice, information and details on our recent activities in the Northfield area via Twitter. Follow us @AberdeenNPolice specifically under #NorthfieldCPT.

# Keep up to date.

## Follow us.

### Multi Member Ward Team

Our Northfield Community Policing Team covers the Heathryfold, Middlefield, Cummings Park and Northfield areas.

### Contact Details

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### Follow us on Twitter

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### Call Us

Telephone 101 and you will be connected to your local policing team.

### Group e-mail address

[NorthfieldCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk](mailto:NorthfieldCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk)

This group e-mail address is provided for you to contact your local Community Policing Team to discuss non-urgent local crime or antisocial behaviour problems. It should not be used to report a crime or incident.

### Crimestoppers

If you have information about crime in your area and wish to provide it anonymously, call the independent charity CRIMESTOPPERS on 0800 555 111.

### Further Assistance

Service users who are deaf or have a hearing impairment can contact Police Scotland via TextRelay in an emergency on 18000 or non-emergency on 18001 101.

If you, or anyone you know, requires further assistance regarding this document please contact your local Community Policing Team or our Diversity Unit by calling 101 or by email at:

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