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Mid Formartine

Multi Member Ward Plan 2013

Update November 2013

Our focus. Your priorities.

This policing plan update highlights priorities that your community identified for us to focus on this year. It has been produced to update you on our progress.

Our focus has been on reducing crime and disorder, increasing public reassurance and keeping people safe in all of our communities.

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

Local Priorities

This report covers progress we have made in dealing with your priorities and it includes our future plans. Your priorities for the Mid Formartine area were:

1. Anti-Social Behaviour

You told us that antisocial behaviour in general, but particularly in relation to vandalism, antisocial driving and youths congregating in certain areas were of concern.

2. Speeding in our communities and road casualty reduction

You told us you were concerned about people driving at excessive speed within your communities, driving and parking inconsiderately particularly near schools, and the number of casualties occurring as a result of collisions on our roads.

3. Community focus

You told us that you want to get to know your officers and that they should become more involved in the wider community.

4. Police visibility

You told us that a visible Police presence was important within communities to enhance community safety, support community wellbeing and provide public reassurance.

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

Our actions to date.

- We continue to visit licenced premises on a regular basis with only thirteen incidents at premises this year. Of these incidents only one involved any form of violent behaviour. We are supported in our aim of ensuring Mid Formartine remains a safe area to socialise by the local Pub Watch Scheme.
 - We deployed additional officers on Campaign Against Violence days at the Oldmeldrum Sports and Marquee dances. There were very few incidents across the weekend that needed their attention.
 - Special Constables from our Community Policing Team have carried out over 200 visits to areas that have previously been identified as being subject to antisocial behaviour by young people. These patrols have ensured that these areas remain largely free of vandalism and annoyance to residents.
 - A number of thefts of fuel from vehicles were reported recently in both Turriff & District and Mid Formartine Wards. Through proactive intelligence gathering and operations we recently identified a group we believe are responsible and have reported them for a number of these crimes.
 - In response to local concerns officers visited primary schools to deal with parking and speeding issues that may result in young people being put in danger. As a result of these visits a number of drivers who have been issued with fines.
 - Our Mobile Vehicle Activated Sign continues to prove a useful tool at Community Concern sites for speeding and has been deployed across the ward. The weekly relocation of the sign has meant that its impact is maintained across the whole policing area. This has been supported by speed checks in villages and patrols by Road Policing Units on the B999, A947 and A90.
 - We have deployed a mobile Police Office to the Balmedie Gala, Haddo Easter Egg hunt and Oldmeldrum Sports, these deployments were supported by members of our Special Constabulary. We are keen to recruit more Special Constables particular in Mid Formartine. They have performed duties every week across the wards, including supporting the smaller shows and events.
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In the coming months.

- Over the next few months we will carry out an operation to deal with the small percentage of drivers who drive in a manner which causes annoyance to residents within our communities.
 - Over the next few months we will carry out an operation across our licensed premises to detect those who use or supply controlled drugs, this will be intelligence led and supported by specialist officers.
 - Local officers continue to support Operation Ruby, the joint Aberdeen City Division and Aberdeenshire & Moray Division response to the theft of motor cars from homes, with high profile patrols and static road checks across Mid Formartine.
 - Speeding in our communities continues to be an issue raised at Community Council meetings. We recognise that this remains a concern for local residents and we are training further officers in the use of speed detection equipment. Our Vehicle Activated Sign will continue to be rotated through concern sites in our communities.
 - We will continue to target those who drive at excessive or inappropriate speed in our communities. We will routinely and regularly visit the areas around schools where inappropriate parking and speeding places children in danger.
 - Road Policing Units will continue to focus on routes which have been identified as having a higher instance of serious collisions across Formartine.
 - We will continue Antisocial Behaviour patrols, particularly at weekends to ensure that locations where gatherings of youths are likely to cause annoyance are visited regularly.
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