

Craigmillar and Portobello

Community Policing Plan Update 2015

Our focus. Your priorities.

This policing plan update will cover the priorities your community identified during our most recent consultation, outline what we have done over the past six months to address them and inform you of how we plan to continue addressing them throughout the year.

Our focus is to reduce crime and disorder, to create safer communities and respond effectively to local concerns.

We will work closely with our partners to 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. You identified that the priorities in Craigmillar and Portobello are:

1. Antisocial Behaviour

You told us that you were concerned with problems with street drinking, disorderly behaviour, including vandalism and graffiti.

2. Housebreaking and other Theft

You told us you were concerned about your property being broken into and /or your belongings stolen.

3. Drug Dealing and Drug Abuse

You told us you were concerned about people dealing in and using illegal drugs.

4. Assault and Violent Crime

You were concerned about the threat of violent crime in your area.

We have acted on your concerns and are sure that you will see improvements in the Craigmillar and Portobello area

Our actions carried out to date.

Antisocial Behaviour

Through contact with residents and partners we identified "hot spots" for ASB. We act jointly with our colleagues in the Council to take positive action through joint visits, administering warnings or applying charges where appropriate.

Housebreaking and Theft

By gathering intelligence we have deployed officers in relevant areas at key times targeting individuals to reduced housebreakings. We have identified vulnerable premises, property and vehicles and offered suitable crime prevention advice.

Drug Dealing and Drug Abuse

Following some excellent information and calls from the public, we have recovered several thousand pounds worth of drugs and ensured that the dealers are placed behind bars where they are no longer able to harm our communities.

Assault and Violent Crime

We investigate all reports of assault with our Violent Crime Unit focusing on serious assault. In coming months we will seek to reinforce Police Scotland's stance on violent crime and assault, by targeting those offenders wanted on warrant alongside the swift investigation into this type of incidence.

In addition to this, you can expect to see a number of other things happening in the next few weeks and months:

We will continue deploying officers into identified hotspot area to combat this ASB. New and emerging issues will be quickly identified and targeted.

We will remain focussed on deterring property related crime and detecting those responsible. We aim to increase resident and business awareness of crime prevention techniques and further develop victim support.

We will continue through community intelligence to disrupt the supply of illegal drugs and bring drug dealers to justice. We will also target drug dealers by sharing information with housing associations and other partners.

We will continue to proactively target individuals who commit assault and violent crime in your area. We will continue to seek support and information through education in schools and public awareness campaigns.

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