
Glenrothes Local Area Plan 2017-2018

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1. Introduction and Purpose of Area Plan

The Police Service of Scotland has brought together local experience and understanding and combined this with national expertise to improve the delivery of local services based on the needs of communities. This enables us to achieve our purpose improving the safety and wellbeing of people, places and communities and to ensure we Keep People Safe.

Local Policing is at the heart of Police Scotland, with the Glenrothes Area Plan identifying common area priorities from various sources (see Section 5), aligned to the Local Fife Policing Plan, which will be reported regularly through the Glenrothes Area Committee.

2. Foreword

Introduction by Local Area Commander Chief Inspector Adrian Annandale



I have recently returned to the Central Fife area and it is a pleasure to now command an area where I spent many enjoyable years policing in various roles and at different ranks.

The priorities that are detailed in this plan are the focus of what we do day to day, week to week and month to month and are the foundation for keeping our communities safe.

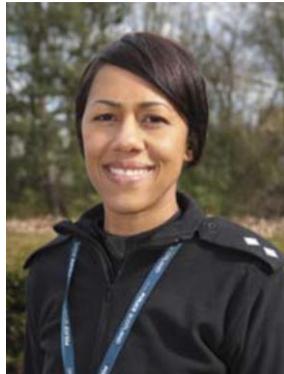
The structure of policing in Glenrothes is maturing and the work of all our staff whether Community Area Ward officers, Response officers, Crime Management or Public Counter staff contributes to achieving the objectives that are listed beside each priority.

The priorities have been set by speaking to many individuals and groups throughout the Glenrothes area who have told us what is important to them and more importantly what they believe we at Glenrothes should be prioritising.

Working in partnership is key to achieving our objectives and this helped greatly in recent years in respect of our Glenwood Action plan that focussed on Anti Social Behaviour. The priorities fall within the outcomes of the Fife Community Safety Strategy for the years ahead and also support the Community Planning Priorities in the Glenrothes area. The on-going support that we receive from members of the Glenrothes Area Committee is also appreciated and welcome for the year ahead.

As with previous years, our work will be carried out with integrity, fairness and respect and whether it is tackling driver or antisocial behaviour you have my personal commitment that our activities will focus on delivering a service for the communities in Glenrothes that addresses the local priorities and concerns.

Local Community Inspector Joanne McEwan



It is my pleasure to once again introduce the Glenrothes Area Plan. This document considers the crime and disorder priorities identified for Glenrothes and the challenges faced in delivering against these issues and keeping people safe in our local communities.

It is my aim to deliver the very best service to the people of Glenrothes and surrounding villages ensuring that their safety and concerns remain at the forefront of our priorities.

I have now been in post at Glenrothes for 18 months and it has been a real pleasure to work with local people, partners and elected members who have a clear commitment to working in the best interests of the town and surrounding villages. In the last year we have seen a reduction in instances of minor violence and disorder as well as a sustained focus on road safety. These are issues that we know matter to local communities and we have worked collaboratively in order to deliver in this regard.

In the year ahead myself and the dedicated staff and officers based at Glenrothes remain committed to that continued focus on delivering the best outcomes for Glenrothes communities.

Effective policing is a collective effort to consider tackling both crime and the causes of crime and I am delighted to say that effective and enthusiastic partnerships exist across Fife in terms of community safety and crime prevention. We will continue to work with partner agencies, the voluntary sector and, importantly, local people to make best use of our resources and impact positively on the priorities identified in this plan.

Inspector McEwan

Chair of the Glenrothes Area Committee - Councillor Fiona Grant



The Police continue to have the support of Glenrothes Area Committee. We will work together to keep life in Glenrothes as safe as possible

3. Priorities and Objectives:

Antisocial Behaviour and Violent Crime

Antisocial Behaviour covers a wide range of crimes and offences including street drinking, public urinating and noise nuisance. Anti-social behaviour is often linked to alcohol consumption and can have a significant impact on our communities. Violent crime includes common assault. It is clear that anti-social behaviour and the consumption of alcohol often feature as precursors to violence and therefore that an approach to tackle both aspects is appropriate.

We will utilise our information gathering systems and licensing department to gather information on problem areas to direct our response to best effect. We monitor events in the locality closely and will ensure that we continue to provide an appropriate policing response to minimise the impact of those events on the wider community.

Our multi-agency approach through the Glenrothes Area Safer Communities Group brings together skills and experience of partners including the Housing Investigation Team, Safer Communities and Housing Officers to influence and tackle issues that impact negatively on local communities.

It is our intention to work on early identification of community based issues so that we may prevent and reduce instances of violence and ASB in the area. Licensing and the responsible sale of alcohol play an important role in that prevention and will continue to be the cornerstone of our approach.

We will continue to work closely with the national resources of Police Scotland

With our partners we will deliver educational inputs to young people in our communities to highlight the risks of alcohol and substance misuse to prevent and reduce vulnerability amongst young people, instances of vandalism, fire raising and antisocial behaviour.

We will work with partners to deter under-age drinking, support youth diversion programmes and maximise early intervention opportunities.

We will sustain our focus on violence in the home, including Domestic Abuse, providing support to victims whilst targeting offenders.

We will continue to work together with detached youth workers and Community learning and Development who are integral to providing lasting solutions to Anti-social Behaviour and Violence.

Objective – To prevent and reduce instances of Antisocial Behaviour and Violence

Driver Behaviour

Driver Behaviour continues to be an issue frequently highlighted in our community engagement. Making our roads safer is also a key priority for Fife Division.

Over the coming period we will continue to focus on prevention, interventions and enforcement to reduce road casualties and improve road safety within our community. In order to do so we will work in accordance with our Divisional Road Casualty Reduction Plan to influence driver behaviour in a number of ways including;

Prevention

- We will work with colleagues in Safer Communities to focus on educational work with vulnerable road users including children and young drivers.
- We will support Bikeability schemes running in our area.
- We will raise awareness of road safety through local and social media.
- We will work together with local schools and their Junior Road Safety Co-ordinators to address safety concerns.

Intervention

- We will undertake regular Parksafes deployments at local schools.
- We will continue to support Community Speedwatch deployments.
- We will continue to deploy our Pop up Policemen as a speed reduction tactic.

Enforcement

- We will continue regular speed enforcement deployments in areas of concern.
- We will conduct intelligence led patrols to prevent risk taking behaviours.
- We will work with colleagues and partners to contribute to targeted seasonal campaigns such as the Festive Campaign which highlights the risks of drink driving.

Objective – To reduce the number of people killed or seriously injured on our roads.

Misuse of Drugs

Substance abuse is an issue that impacts widely within communities both in terms of those who are themselves involved in substance abuse and the vulnerability and risk of harm that creates but also to the wider community in terms of the associated links to crime; in particular crimes such as theft and theft by shoplifting.

Our approach is therefore one that will focus upon criminality, vulnerability and prevention. We will seek to develop an intelligence led approach to the possession and supply of drugs in our area working proactively to disrupt such activity. We will continue to look for the support and commitment of local people to assist us in developing intelligence to act.

We will work on prevention by continuing to work closely with education, Fife Council and our partners across the Community Safety Partnership to raise awareness of the risks associated with drug misuse and to signpost vulnerable people to appropriate support.

We will continue to deal robustly with associated criminality with a view to enhance public confidence and deter re-offending.

Objective – To proactively tackle the sale and supply of controlled drugs

4. How we identified our Priorities and Objectives

The Scottish Policing Assessment sets out the priorities for the Police Service of Scotland and is a key document for the Police in the process of ensuring we continue to provide a quality policing service.

In addition, the priorities in this plan have been identified through further analysis of local crime trends identified in our Divisional Strategic Assessment.

We have also taken cognisance of the content of the Fife Community Safety Partnership Strategic Assessment, the Fife Community Plan and the Fife Local Policing Plan. This plan also aligns with the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Local Plan and seven Area Plans and the Local Delivery Plan of the Fife Health and Social Care Partnership, building on strong partnership linkages to deliver continuous improvement in performance.

In Glenrothes we are very proud of our well-established community focused policing model which is underpinned by an ongoing commitment to engagement between the

Police and local communities. In formulating the priorities for our Area Plan we have remained true to that commitment, consulting to ensure the concerns of local people are paramount.

In order to develop a broad view we have consulted with our Community Councils, Local Councillors, schools and campus communities, community groups, service users and local people as part of our everyday work within the community.

We have made use of social media to provide a platform for engagement. This is a process that allows us to define our priorities and, as an ongoing process, allows us to respond to new and emerging issues and to re-direct our resources accordingly.

Our priorities have also been influenced by Police Scotland's Your View Counts survey, introduced in 2016 which is designed to empower communities to highlight concerns and shape local service delivery.

5. Performance Reporting

Progress against this Plan will be reported to the Glenrothes Area Committee on a regular basis. This information will be available to the public.

6. Scrutiny and Engagement

Fife Council has determined that Fife Council Environment, Protective Services and Community Safety Committee will be the appropriate arena for reporting on performance.

In addition, the Local Area Commander, Chief Inspector Annandale and the Local Community Inspector Joanne McEwan will continue to engage on a regular basis with the Glenrothes Area Committee reporting against the objectives set within this Local Area Plan. This local scrutiny is an essential part of delivering our plan in that it allows us to engage in ongoing review of our performance and priorities to build on and improve our service delivery.

7. Equalities

Everything we do is underpinned by our commitment to equality and diversity. This is reflected both in our approach to policing our local community and internally with our colleagues and partners. This commitment is built upon our values of Integrity, Fairness and Respect.

We recognise that effective and fair policing is about reflecting the needs and expectations of individuals and local communities. Survey results show that different communities have differing expectations and contrasting experiences of the service provided by the police. Our aim is to ensure that we provide a service that is fair, consistent and to a high standard, keeping the most vulnerable safe and enhancing the quality of life for everyone who lives, works or visits Glenrothes.

8. Local Contact Details

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