

Tayside Division

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PART A

NATIONAL AND LOCAL CAMPAIGNS AND MESSAGES

Suicide Prevention Week 10 – 16 September 2018



Health Scotland are supporting Suicide Prevention Week as we know by working together we can all help to prevent suicide.

Suicide is a major public health issue worldwide, the impact of which is devastating, economically, psychologically and emotionally, and is felt throughout communities everywhere. On average 2 people die by suicide every day in Scotland. This is a shocking statistic as suicide is preventable.

In support of the Scottish Governments Suicide Prevention Action Plan, Police Scotland has produced its first ever Suicide Prevention Guidance earlier this year, aimed at enhancing the knowledge of police officers and staff on suicide prevention, enabling them to offer some form of crisis intervention to individuals who experience immediate and often short term physical, emotional or behavioural distress.

Our police officers and staff play a crucial role in preventing suicide as they are regularly the first point of contact for people in distress, in need of medical or psychiatric assistance or as a result of an individual's actions. However, everyone in our community can play an important role in tackling suicide by being alert to the warning signs of suicide in people close to them. If you're worried about someone, such as a friend, family member or workmate, asking them directly about their feelings can help to save their life.

Signs of suicide can be difficult to spot, but you should take all signs of distress seriously, even if it seems a person is living a normal life. If it feels right, asking a person if they are thinking about suicide won't put the thought in their head if it wasn't there before, but it can be a big relief for them to be able to say, 'Yes, I am' and acknowledge they need help. For help and advice for you or the person you're worried about, call Breathing Space on 0800 83 85 87 or Samaritans on 116 123.

Contact Details

Call 101 for non-emergencies and general enquiries, in an emergency call 999. If you have information about a crime you can also contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Recent crimes/issues in the area:

The Neighbourhood Watch alert system is up and running, with alerts being placed on a regular basis. The more people who get involved and sign up the better, www.neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk

FORFAR

A number of incidents have taken place within licensed premises in Forfar. A serious assault at Victoria Bar has been detected, a minor assault at the Royal Hotel is under investigation as is a theft from Bar Central and another theft from Old Masons Arms. Police continue to carry out regular visits to all licensed premises, please be reminded not to leave property unattended.

Detected crimes in Forfar this month include an assault and robbery in Gallowshade road, a petty Juvenile assault at Community Campus, an assault at RS McCall and a fireraising at the Pitstop Youth project.

A number of incidents have occurred whereby parked cars have been damaged by other vehicles, Police would like to speak to anyone who has witnessed any collision within these car parks, Community Campus on 27th August 2018 and at Dance Studio on 10th September. Vehicles were also damaged at Asda on 28th August 2018 and on 18th September 2018, Police have detected these.

There has been a sneak in theft to a premises on Tweed Mill Brae, please remember to keep your homes secure, lock doors and windows especially when you are not there and overnight.

A person has been charged with possession of drugs in the Restenneth Drive area having been stopped and searched by Police.

Police are still making enquiry into the following vandalisms and seek any information which the public may have. Viewmount on 20th August, Airlie Crescent on 31st August and Bankhead Road on 6th September 2018.

KIRRIEMUIR

On 19th September 2018 the casing for the defibrillator unit outside Kirriemuir Police Office was damaged. Fortunately the machine itself was not taken or damaged and has been placed in the Police Office for safekeeping and use until we can get the case replaced. This matter is under enquiry.

On 8th September there was an assault in Lower Roods, a window was smashed at McLarens

Bakers and another window damaged in Croft Terrace. These incidents were connected and the person responsible has been reported to the Procurator Fiscal.

A motorbike was stolen from Kirk Wynd on 26th August 2018.

One detected shoplifting from the Co-op this month

KIRRIEMUIR LANDWARD/ RURAL WATCH

A Quad Bike was stolen from Cullew Farm at Glenclova on 28th August 2018. Police are continuing enquiry into rural thefts and are appealing to the public for any information and to remain vigilant around rural areas where quad bikes, motorbikes and trailers are stored.

Increased patrols are continuing in rural areas and residents are advised to ensure that their premises are secure and are asked to report anything suspicious to police, at the time on **101**.

Alerts are being placed on the Rural Watch platform which is now up and running in the local area.

We are reminding our rural communities to be vigilant and report all suspicious activity. Please also remember to secure buildings and consider improving security. We would also encourage you to sign up to the new Angus Rural Watch scheme at www.ruralwatchscotland.co.uk

Road policing issues locally:

Angus officers continue to work with partners, colleagues from the Divisional Road Policing Unit (DRPU) and the Trunk Road Policing Group (TRPG) to tackle road safety and associated crime.

Over the last year there has been considerable emphasis placed on both education and enforcement programmes.

Moving on from an extremely challenging 12 months it is positive to note that in the last quarter there were no reported fatalities.

Persons seriously injured reduced from 12 to 9 a reduction of 25%. However, two children were seriously injured on our roads which is consistent with the same period last year. Persons slightly injured reduced significantly from 43 to 15 for this reporting period. This is a reduction of 65.1 %.

Officers will continue to be involved in speed and casualty reduction operations in our community. This is on our trunk roads, rural roads and within built up areas.

This area of work will continue to be a priority for Police Scotland and officers in Angus.

It is worthy of note that the key areas for casualty reduction is out with our seven main towns and as such activity is proportionally targeted in these areas.

I am pleased to note the overall reduction of associated road crime statistics which is perhaps indicating a change of driver behaviour; as a considerable amount of vehicles continue to be stopped by officers in the course of their duties.

If this behaviour and accidents as evidence by the statistics continue at these levels; minor injuries, serious injuries and fatalities will remain at lower levels.

Local initiatives:

ONLINE SAFETY

Between 4th and 13 September 2018 PC Morgan and the Police Scotland Youth Volunteers assisted at SAFE ANGUS event which is hosted at Jock Neish Scouting Centre at Tannadice.

Over the 8 days of the bi-annual event, 517 Primary 7 aged pupils were provided with a 15 minute workshop on Online Safety covering use of apps, the posting of nude selfies, online bullying, child exploitation and criminal issues relating to use of the internet by children. This equated to 16 hours' worth of sessions over the 8 days.

On 17th September 2018 PC Morgan and 4 youth volunteers attended a Parents night at Whitehills Primary School, Forfar and delivered online safety advice to approximately 50 parents and pupils.

ANTI-SOCIAL DRIVING/ NOISE

Community Officers are involved in an ongoing operation to tackle this problem assisted by the Community Investigation Unit, Road Traffic Officers and Special Constables. Several ASBOs have already been issued and vehicles seized. The operation focuses on specific problem areas such as Myre Car Park but also other areas in the locality.

The latest operation took place on Thursday 20th September by officers from the Community Investigation Unit with attention given to Gowanbank, Kirriemuir and Forfar. Numerous vehicle stop/checks were conducted and an individual was also reported for possession of drugs.

Forthcoming events in area (associated issues):

RURAL ROAD SAFETY

Angus Community Officers, road traffic officers, and Special Constables will be involved in an operation focusing on improving road safety on rural roads in the local area. This initiative seeks to educate drivers in relation to awareness of other road users, including pedestrians, cyclists, horse riders, agricultural vehicles and also addressing ongoing regarding speeding and careless driving.

Other topics of note or messages:

Counter Terrorism and Serious Organised Crime

Police Scotland, through our Counter Terrorism Security Advisors and in liaison with the National Counter Terrorism Security Office (NaCTSO), has been busy working within the Crowded Places sector in order to keep people safe.

Be Reassured

The threat from International Terrorism to the United Kingdom is at SEVERE.

Be Alert, Not Alarmed

Police have exercised plans to respond to multi seated firearms attacks and may increase their presence in some areas. Don't become fearful or withdraw from the streets. Businesses and priority Crowded Places have been working with police (NaCTSO and the CTSA network) to protect sites and staff from a variety of terrorist attacks. This includes music, sport and entertainment venues, restaurants, hotels and shops.

Statements from Police Scotland are posted on the Police Scotland website, <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u>.

Police Scotland will continue to work with all of our partners in order to Keep People Safe.

Be Vigilant and Report Suspicious Behaviour

Police act on information from the public who report suspicious people or behaviour. I would encourage everyone to remain alert and vigilant and, "If you suspect it, report it" by contacting Police Scotland directly by calling 101. In an emergency dial 999 or report it through the <u>antiterrorist</u> hotline on 0800 789 321.

Vigilant behaviour by staff and the public can disrupt attack planning. Businesses can run <u>Vigilance</u> <u>Campaigns</u> and their staff can attend Project Griffin events.

The following videos released by Counter Terrorism Police UK, show the best plans of action when encountering suspicious behaviour and items.

Plan Now What You Will Do to STAY SAFE

'Stay Safe' principles (Run Hide Tell) give some simple actions to consider at an incident and the information that armed officers may need in the event of a weapons or firearms attack. Full guidance is contained on the <u>NaCTSO website</u>.

More information about the 'Stay Safe' principles can be found at the following website: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/stay-safe-film

Conduct a health check on your premises. <u>Crowded Place booklets</u> contain clear self-help guidance and check-lists.

 Review your building response plan to consider your response now and if the UK threat rises. • Test and exercise with partners (around the table) to check your preparation for terrorism and wider business continuity (e.g. flooding/flu).

Suspicious Airport Behaviour - Project Pegasus

Be vigilant around airports and airfields- notify Police Scotland of anything suspicious or which you have concerns about.

<u>Suspicious Maritime Behaviour – Project Kraken</u>

Project Kraken delivers an enhanced crime and counter terrorist 'vigilance' capability within the maritime environment of Scotland.

Serious Organised Crime

Serious Organised Crime a wide range of activities and individuals involved in areas such as drug trafficking, counterfeiting, money laundering, organised immigration crime and fraud.

Find out more about how to spot and report suspicious behaviour to help us Keep People Safe from terrorism and Serious Organised Crime on the Police Scotland website at http://www.scotland.police.uk/keep-safe/280693/



If you see or hear something that could be terrorist related, ACT on your instincts and report it to the police, in confidence, at gov.uk/ACT.

Police Scotland is backing a UK-wide campaign to encourage the public to report suspicious behaviour and activity in a bid to prevent terrorism and save lives.

The call to action is part of the second phase of the ACT – Action Counters Terrorism – initiative, led by Counter Terrorism Policing, a collaboration of UK police forces working alongside intelligence agencies.

Research carried out by CT Policing suggests that three-quarters (75 per cent) of people who live in Scotland are concerned about terrorism. Two thirds (66 per cent) of people in the UK say they have become more concerned over the past year.

But while 82 per cent said they would report suspicious behaviour to police, many are unclear exactly what they should be looking for.

The campaign features a 60-second film based on real-life foiled plots. It shows examples of terrorist-related suspicious activity and behaviour, as well as attack planning methodology.

Some examples of suspicious activity or behaviour could potentially include:

- Hiring large vehicles for no obvious reason
- Buying or storing a large amount of chemicals, fertilisers or gas cylinders for no obvious reasons
- Taking notes or photos of security arrangements or inspecting CCTV cameras in an unusual way
- Looking at extremist material, or sharing and creating content that promotes or glorifies terrorism.
- Anyone who goes away travelling for long periods of time but is vague about where Someone carrying out suspicious or unusual bank transactions

Assistant Chief Constable Steve Johnson said: "We work tirelessly with security partners to identify and thwart the terrorist threat.

"But the public can also play a crucial role in helping to keep communities safe and we would encourage anyone with suspicions to report their concerns.

"We want to provide people with all the necessary information they need to help them identify suspicious activity and, more importantly, keep themselves safe and secure.

"Any piece of information could be vital in helping the police prevent terrorism and save lives. That cooperation between police and the public is Scotland's greatest defence against the terrorist threat."

Justice Secretary Michael Matheson said: "Public vigilance is key to help Police Scotland keep our communities safe from terror threats. I very much welcome this campaign which highlights a number of ways in which members of the public can spot suspicious activity and how to make the authorities aware.

"I would urge the public to note the kinds of activity to be on the lookout for. Anyone who feels they may have witnessed and anyone who feels they have witnessed suspicious behaviour should report it immediately."

Anyone who wishes to report suspicious behaviour or activity can do so by calling Police Scotland on 101 or 999 in an emergency, or via the online tool at gov.uk/ACT.

Contact Details

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PART B **Feedback from Community Council** (Issues raised worthy of police interest for feedback) Issue of police interest raised Raised by 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

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