



Keeping People Safe in Inverclyde

Our Purpose:- To improve the safety and wellbeing of people, places and communities in Scotland.

Violence & Antisocial Behaviour

There has been an increase in the reporting of non-recent crimes involving children which forms part of an ongoing National child abuse enquiry. Therefore, Group 1 Crimes of violence have increased by 24 crimes to a total of 130. The 5 year average for Group 1 crimes is 96.2.

The detection rate for Group 1 crimes is 72.3%, compared to a national position of 70.6%. The rate of overall violent crime per 10k population in Inverclyde is 78.7 which remains below the national rate of 90.9.

There have been 419 recorded common assaults, up 4.2% (17 crimes) on the previous year. 103 assaults targeted emergency workers. These crimes are most commonly perpetrated against police officers. The 5 year average for common assaults is 389.6.

Fire raisings increased by 20 crimes on the previous year to 47. The detection rate is 52.6., which is higher than both the 5 year mean and National rates.

Acquisitive Crime



Shoplifting has increased 11.5% to a total of 379 crimes. Fraud has also increased by 35% to 108 crimes.



Housebreaking crimes (inc attempts) - have increased by 4.9% (6 more crimes). 72% of HBs targeted dwelling houses.

Other categories of crimes of dishonesty have remained broadly similar to the previous year. However opening lock fast vehicles are up from 24 to 42 crimes (+75%), countered by a 24.5% reduction in theft of motor vehicles.



There have been six reported bogus caller incidents. one of which resulted in a crime. Tactics used by suspects are predominately posing as utilities workers to gain access to properties and steal from within, or bogus workmen (bulldozers, roofers, gardeners.)

Inverclyde

Local Policing Plan (2017 – 2020)

Reporting Period: 1st April to 31st December 2019

Public Protection

Reported sexual crimes have decreased by 14.4% on the previous year, to a total of 119 crimes.

The rate of recorded sexual crime per 10k population is 15%, remaining below the national average of 18.5%.

Rape and attempted rape are also declining – down from 28 to 23 crimes (-17.9%)

The detection rate for rape has increased by 8.5% to 38.1%

The current detection rate for all sexual crime is 45.3% - up slightly from the 43.1% recorded last year. 51% of sexual crimes were non-recent. This is an increase on the previous year.



During the reporting period, there have been 98 Missing Persons in Inverclyde, of which 29.59% involved looked after and accommodated children from young person units within the area. As such young person units featured in the top three locations for persons to be reported missing from within Inverclyde. Persons aged 10-19 years were involved in 65.31% of all missing person reports. 7.1% were recorded missing from NHS locations.

736 domestic incidents have been recorded, up 14.4% on the previous year. Increasing conversion rates from domestic incidents to crimes continues with a rate of 45.2%.

Reports of hate crime in Inverclyde have increased by 5.3% to 52 crimes. Per 10k of population, Inverclyde recorded below Force levels of 6.3 per 10K. (Force is 8.8) 38% of these crimes related to race (20 crimes), which is five more than the previous year. A further 19 crimes related to sexual orientation, one more than PYTD.

Major Crime & Terrorism



95 individuals linked to serious and organised crime have been arrested in Renfrewshire and Inverclyde. Divisionally £190,418.66 has been seized under the Proceeds of Crime Act.

There have been 47 drug supply charges raised year-to-date, three less than year previous. Eight crimes were raised relating to production/manufacture of drugs, three more than the previous year.

YTD there have been 16 confirmed drug - related deaths, with 16 further suspected drugs deaths (awaiting toxicology results). Etizolam continues to feature in the majority of the confirmed drug deaths. All deaths involved polydrug use



The most recent data available from the National Cybercrime Unit is from April to October 2019. There were 237 cyber-enabled crimes recorded within K Division. Inverclyde recorded 29.5% of these (70 crimes).

Road Safety & Road Crime



There has been one road fatality recorded in the period covered. This represents one more road death than the previous year. Meanwhile, serious road injuries have increased by five to a total of 20, while slight injuries also increased – up to 65 (ten more than last year).

Overall, offences relating to vehicles are down 16.3% on the previous year, particularly speeding (-26.1%), dangerous driving (-20.8%) and Insurance (-39.7%). Drink driving offences were up by three crimes on the previous year.

Flourishing Local Economy

Safe (Communities)

Organisational Improvement - Contact Assessment Model (CAM) CAM went Live in K Division on 14th January 2020 after a period of consultation with community groups, elected members and key partners. Local officers have been provided additional training and awareness on the changes and are able to highlight the significant improvements CAM will make to service delivery. CAM will improve the way Police triage and respond to contact from the public by using an enhanced assessment and decision-making model of threat, risk and harm so that we can do more to protect the vulnerable and ensure every individual gets the right response when they contact Police Scotland. The aim is to significantly improve the experience and outcomes for the public and to empower and enable our workforce to make the right decisions to provide the most appropriate and proportionate policing response.

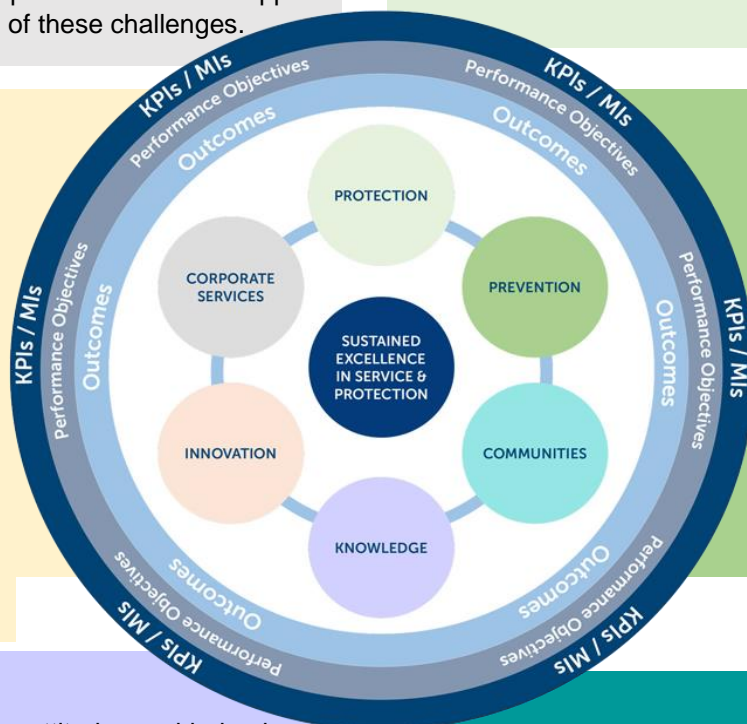
Wellbeing Matters – The demands on Policing in the past few months have been significant due to an increase in the number of events requiring our services. These include; the General election; domestic and European football fixtures; Marches; Rallies and Demonstrations. The demands have been met whilst sustaining the same level of support to local communities during the festive period. Officers have change rest days and shifts to accommodate these requirements and continue to work tirelessly to ensure that the service provided to the public remains unaffected. K Division has 'Wellbeing Champions' and other support mechanisms to ensure officer welfare requirements are addressed throughout all of these challenges.

Partnership Working - Police and Scottish Fire and Rescue responded to numerous calls in Greenock town centre area regarding fires. Inverclyde CCTV operators conducted a search of the area and captured a suspect male hiding behind bins on Nelson Street which had been pushed against a building. Due to the diligent work by CCTV operators, Police officers were directed to the suspect who was apprehend while trying to set another fire. As a result a 36 year old male was arrested for 7 separate wilful fire-raising and held in custody to appear at Greenock Sherriff court. He is currently awaiting trial.

Notable Arrest – December 2019 - Police received numerous reports of break-ins and vandalisms to vehicles in Greenock West in early December 2019. Neighbourhood officers carried out an investigation which included extensive CCTV review and door to door enquiries. Officers identified and charged a 38 year old man with 11 separate Thefts. Through this enquiry, the suspect was further identified, traced and charged for a Robbery at a shop using a weapon. He is currently remanded in custody pending trial.

Don't Ask For It - 'Don't ask for it' is a campaign that was launched in December in Inverclyde which has been developed to tackle underage drinking and will operate into 2020. The 'Don't ask for it' campaign is responding to intelligence that under 18s are increasingly accessing alcohol by other means, such as asking an adult to buy it for them. The campaign aims to raise awareness reduce proxy purchases of alcohol for under 18s and reduce crime and antisocial behaviour, making our communities safer.

Special Constable – Special Constables play an active role in shaping the future of Policing, locally and nationally. Special Constables are volunteers who give their own time to help keep their community safe and are sworn to uphold the law of Scotland in the same manner as a regular officers. They have many of the same powers and responsibilities as regular officers and can also be trained in a number of specialised areas of Policing. There are currently 15 Special Constables available within K Division to serve the communities within Inverclyde as required. A recruitment drive aims to increase these numbers in the future.



Festive Campaign - Thanks to the co-operation of our local communities, the festive period was one of the quietest for several years. Nevertheless, Police officers and staff remained proactive. Officers were deployed on foot patrol to provide a visible deterrent and to reassure revelers and shoppers enjoying the festive season. Over the period 187 Licensed Premises inspections were carried out. The increase in inspections coupled with high visibility patrols contributed to a reduction of incidents and helped make it a safer and more enjoyable time for our community.

Drink Drive Campaign – Road Policing officers increased road checks in December using both marked and unmarked vehicles. The officers were equipped with our latest drug screening wipes to quickly detect any person driving under the influence of drugs. Over 489 vehicles were stopped across the K division area: 5 persons in Inverclyde were charged with offences relating to being unfit to drive through being impaired by drink or drugs.

'I Am Me' & 'Keep Safe' – 'I Am Me' is a community Charity that aims to change attitudes and behaviours so that disabled and vulnerable people in Scotland feel safe in their communities. The charity has two key initiatives – 'I Am Me' and 'Keep Safe'. 'Keep Safe' works in partnership with Police Scotland and 'I Am Me' to create a network of 'Safe' places across the community. Inverclyde currently has 36 'Safe' places including shops, Community Centres, Libraries etc. We are currently trying to increase this number whilst training a number of 'I Am Me' Ambassadors.

Prevent Training - K Div CTLO and staff from the West College Scotland Waterfront campus, Greenock have been working jointly on a Radicalisation/Extremism project which will commence in January 2020. The innovative project will involve Advanced Level Policing Studies students developing work around understanding the root causes of radicalisation and taking this work into the local community. The Scottish Government have taken interest in this project and have attended the college to discuss central Government funding support for the students involved in this project. This work is also being closely monitored by National Counter Terrorism Policing, London for the potential for similar programmes to be delivered across the UK at Further Education establishments.

Fireworks – Fireworks night / weekend is historically busy for all emergency services. Working in conjunction with SFRS, Inverclyde Council and Housing providers, this year's celebrations passed without any significant issues. The organised displays were well attended and provided the community with a spectacular display in a safe and controlled environment. Some unplanned events / bonfires went ahead despite significant work to reduce this from occurring, however they were of a much smaller scale and less impactful to the community.

Drugs Recovery – Acting upon community concerns, officers searched an address in Weir Street, Greenock whereby they recovered cash and various substances believed to be Heroin, Cannabis and a quantity of white tablets. The combined street value is estimated to be £1200. A 47 year old female was arrested and appeared at Greenock Sheriff court for alleged drug offences and remains in custody pending trial.

Independent (Older People)

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**LOCAL AUTHORITY SCRUTINY BOARD - Inverclyde
December 2019**

Violence, Disorder & Antisocial Behaviour						
		5 yr mean	Apr 2019 - Dec 2019	Apr 2018 - Dec 2018	Victims	% Change
1	Total No Group1: Crimes of Violence	95.2	130	106	24 more	22.6%
(Context)						
2	Murder	1.6	1	0	1 more	-
(Context)						
3	Attempted Murder	6.2	9	9	same number	0.0%
(Context)						
4	Culpable Homicide (common law)	-	0	0	None	-
(Context)						
5	Culpable Homicide (other)	-	0	0	None	-
(Context)						
6	Serious Assault detection rate	69.7	73.9%	56.7%		17.2%
(Context)						
7	Serious Assault	62.8	69	67	2 more	3.0%
(Context)						
8	Robbery detection rate	77.8	59.1%	78.3%		-19.2%
(Context)						
9	Robbery	16.2	22	23	1 fewer	-4.3%
(Context)						
10	Common assault detection rate	72.0	67.2%	63.8%		3.4%
(Context)						
11	Common assault	481.8	522	484	38 more	7.9%
(Context)						
12	Number of complaints regarding disorder	-	2,427	2,504	77 fewer	-3.1%
(Context)						

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Violence, Disorder & Antisocial Behaviour (continued)						
		5 yr mean	Apr 2019 - Dec 2019	Apr 2018 - Dec 2018	Victims	% Change
13	Number of Domestic Abuse Incidents Reported to the Police	N/A	736	643		14.5%
(Context)						
14	Total Crimes and offences in domestic abuse incidents	N/A	434	369		17.6%
(Context)						
15	Percentage of Domestic Incidents that result in a crime being recorded	N/A	45.2%	42.1%		3.1%
(Context)						
16	Total crimes and offences in domestic abuse incidents detection rate	N/A	56.7%	57.7%		-1.0%
(Context)						
17	Total Detections for Domestic Bail Offences	N/A	35	21		66.7%
(Context)						
18	Ensure 95% of domestic abuse initial bail checks are conducted within a prescribed timeframe (24hrs)	N/A	87.0%	-		-
(Context)						
19	Hate Crime and offences detection rate	N/A	71.2%	76.2%		-5.0%
(Context)						
Violence, Disorder & Antisocial Behaviour - Stop and Searches						
		5 yr mean	Apr 2019 – Dec 2019	Apr 2019 - Dec 2019 Positive	Victims	% Change
20	Number of stop and searches conducted (total)	N/A	1,465	270		
21	Number of statutory stop and searches conducted	N/A	1,465	270		
22	Number of consensual stop and searches conducted	N/A	0	0		
23	Number of consensual stop and searches refused	N/A	0	-		
24	Number of seizures made	N/A	3	-		

An enhanced version of the National Stop & Search Database commenced on 1 June 2015. The enhanced database brought significant changes in the process of data capture and the methodology for recording data items. No previous year to date figures are provided as it has been previously acknowledged this data is not 100% accurate, therefore comparisons will provide misleading results or invalid conclusions. Management Information and data in respect of stop and search can be found on the Police Scotland website via <http://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/police-scotland/stop-and-search-data-publication>

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Additional Identified Local Priorities						
		5 yr mean	Apr 2019 - Dec 2019	Apr 2018 - Dec 2018	Victims	% Change
25	Number of detections for drugs supply, drugs productions, drugs cultivation	59.8	48	47		2.1%
(Context)						
26	Theft by housebreaking (including attempts) detection rate	16.6	23.3%	20.3%		3.0%
(Context)						
27	Theft by housebreaking (including attempts)	197.8	129	123	6 more	4.9%
(Context)						
28	Theft by shoplifting detection rate	80.3	73.4%	75.3%		-1.9%
(Context)						
29	Theft by shoplifting	276.4	379	340	39 more	11.5%
(Context)						
30	Vandalism & Malicious Mischief detection rate	13.1	22.2%	16.7%		5.5%
(Context)						
31	Vandalism & Malicious Mischief	565.0	456	478	22 fewer	-4.6%
(Context)						
32	Number of detections for Consuming Alcohol in a designated place (where appropriate byelaws exist)	260.6	49	63		-22.2%
(Context)						

Public Protection						
		5 yr mean	Apr 2019 - Dec 2019	Apr 2018 - Dec 2018	Victims	% Change
33	Number of Sexual Crimes	108.8	119	139	20 fewer	-14.4%
(Context)						
34	Sexual Crimes detection rate	54.4	45.4%	43.2%		2.2%
(Context)						
35	Rape detection rate	50.0	38.1%	29.6%		8.5%
(Context)						

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Road Traffic Casualty Statistics						
		5 yr mean	Apr 2019 - Dec 2019	Apr 2018 - Dec 2018	Victims	% Change
	People Killed	N/A	1	0	1 more	-
	People Seriously injured	N/A	20	15	5 more	33.3%
	People Slightly Injured	N/A	65	55	10 more	18.2%
(Context)						
	Children (aged<16) Killed	N/A	0	0	None	-
	Children (aged<16) Seriously Injured	N/A	3	0	3 more	-
(Context)						

Road Safety & Road Crime						
		5 yr mean	Apr 2019 - Dec 2019	Apr 2018 - Dec 2018	Victims	% Change
36	Dangerous driving	20.8	15	22		-31.8%
(Context)						
37	Speeding	374.4	116	157		-26.1%
(Context)						
38	Disqualified driving	4.8	8	6		33.3%

(Context)						
39	Driving Licence	83.4	58	78		-25.6%
(Context)						
40	Insurance	169.2	116	158		-26.6%
(Context)						
41	Seat Belts	64.4	31	31		0.0%
(Context)						
42	Mobile Phone	67.0	18	26		-30.8%
(Context)						

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Public Confidence					
		Apr 2019 - Dec 2019			
		Number of Complaints about the Police	Number of Complaints per 10,000 Police Incidents		
43	Complaints received about the Police	37	22.2		
(Context)					
		On Duty Allegations	Off Duty Allegations	Quality of Service Allegations	Total Number of Allegations
44	Total Allegations Recorded	44	0	20	64
(Context)					