

Inverclyde Performance Summary Report Reporting Period: 01/04/21 - 31/10/21



Total Crime



-3.2%



3549 Crimes

Incidents Recorded

-8.9%



11,371

Common Assault

-4.8%



380

Overall Dishonesty

-6.3%



685

Domestic Abuse Incidents

-11.9%



466

Overall Violent Crime

-7.3%



429

Sexual Crime

-15%



77

Road Traffic Casualties

-13.6%*



19 *against PYTD

Disorder Complaints

-23.9%*



2,117*against PYTD

Missing People

+37.9%*



40

Counter Terrorism



The threat level from INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM has been changed from Severe to Substantial—an attack has been deemed as likely to occur.

Housebreaking

-26.3%



73

*All data provided is for the period 1 Apr - 31 October unless otherwise stated. All statistics are provisional and should be treated as management information. All data have been extracted from Police Scotland internal systems and are correct as of 02/11/2021

Inverclyde

Performance Summary Report

Reporting Period: 1 Apr 2021 to 31 October 2021



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Introduction

I am pleased to present this report to the Police Fire and Rescue Committee for its information and consideration.





Please note that all data included in this report are management information and not official statistics.

All data are sourced from Police Scotland internal systems and are correct as of date of publication.

Unless stated otherwise numerical comparisons are against the preceding five year average.

INVERCLYDE POLICING PRIORITIES 2018-2022

- 1 Drug dealing and drug misuse
- 2 Violence and antisocial behaviour
- 3 Dishonesty
- 4 Road Safety

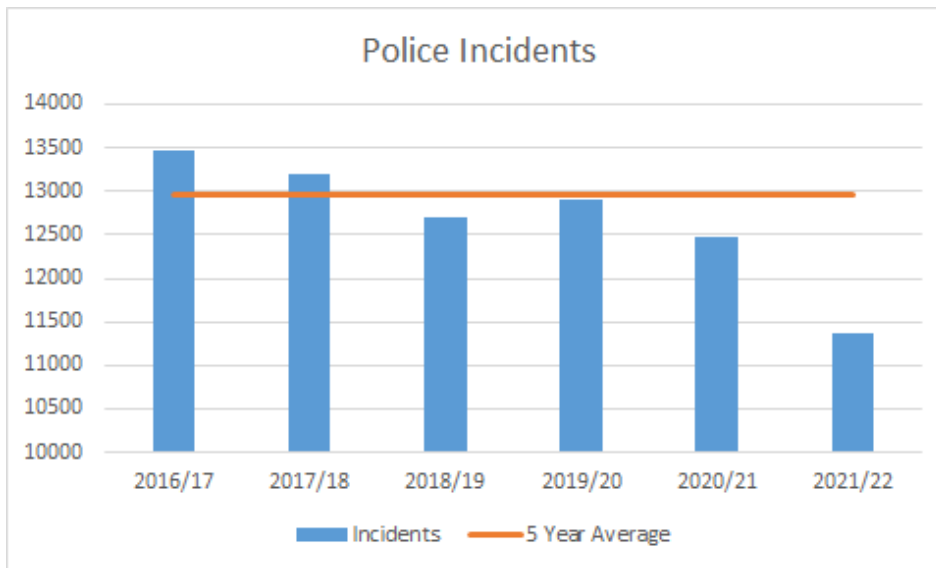
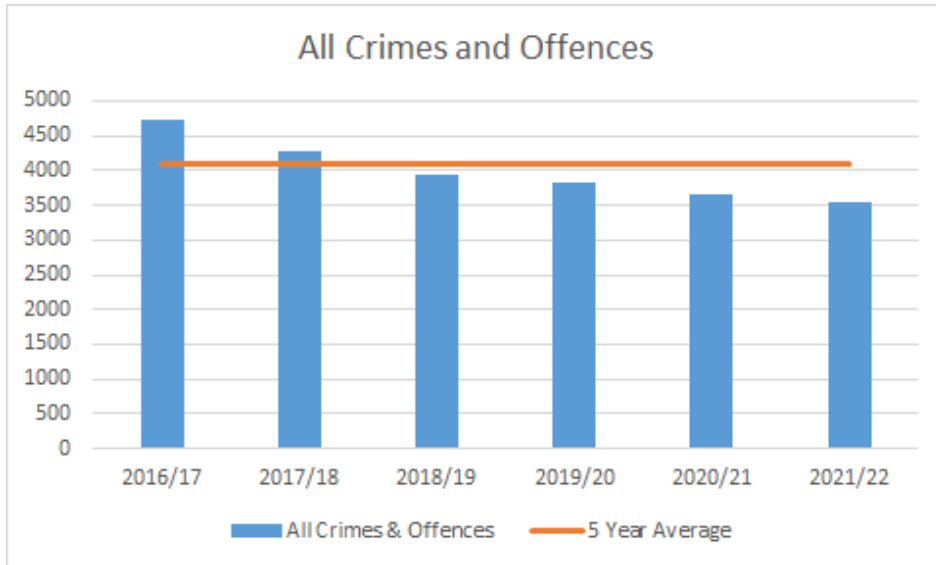
| PRIORITY AREA | EXECUTIVE SUMMARY |
|--|---|
| Drug supply and misuse  | <p>Drug dealing and misuse continues to be a priority area for our attention in Inverclyde as communities tell us they are concerned about the harm caused. Although our detections for drug supply are lower than last year we have been proactive in addressing this issue. We continue to gather intelligence for further enforcement action in Inverclyde, however we manage this from a Divisional perspective as criminals do not recognise Local Authority boundaries. There have been 20 drugs supply detections in Inverclyde year-to-date, compared to a five year average of 43.</p> |
| Violence & ASB  | <p>The level of overall violent crime is down by 7.3% on the previous five year average. Meanwhile, there have been 28 fewer common assaults compared to the previous five year average of 314. 94 common assaults were perpetrated against emergency workers, an increase on the previous five year average of 10.3% ASB is down by 24% on the previous year to a total of 2,117 incidents.</p> |
| Dishonesty  | <p>Housebreaking crimes continue to fall, with fewer crimes relating to all property types.</p> <p>However, recorded fraud continues to increase locally, mirroring the national trend—with the volume of fraud crimes rising 49.8% compared to five year average figures. Cyber-criminals are continuously looking for new ways to target potential victims. There has been a proliferation in the use of tactics such as scam phone calls, text messages and emails, as well as fake websites and social media posts, by which criminals seek to deceive people into handing over personal details and passwords.</p> |
| Road Safety  | <p>The number of casualties on Inverclyde roads has fallen from 22 to 19. There have been one fatality in the current year. Proactive policing of Inverclyde's roads has led to an increase in reported drink and drug driving offences.</p> |

POLICE SCOTLAND'S POLICING PRIORITIES 2021-2022

1. Protecting vulnerable people
2. Working with communities
3. Tackling crime in the digital age
4. Support for operational policing

DEMAND ANALYSIS - * PYTD - PREVIOUS YEAR TO DATE CYTD - CURRENT YEAR TO DATE

| CRIME | PYTD * | CYTD * | INCIDENTS | PYTD | CYTD |
|-------------------------|--------|--------|---------------------------|--------|--------|
| Total Crimes & Offences | 3665 | 3,549 | Total number of incidents | 12,477 | 11,371 |



CONTEXT

The volume of recorded crime and offences has fallen by 3.2% on the previous year and by 13.2% on the preceding five year average, with a longer term decrease in non-sexual crimes of violence, crimes of dishonesty, vandalism and fireraising, miscellaneous offences and offences relating to motor vehicles driving the fall in overall volume. Meanwhile, recorded police incidents have fallen by 8.9% on the previous year, and by 12.2% on the five year average.

ONLINE & CYBERCRIME - DATA OVERVIEW

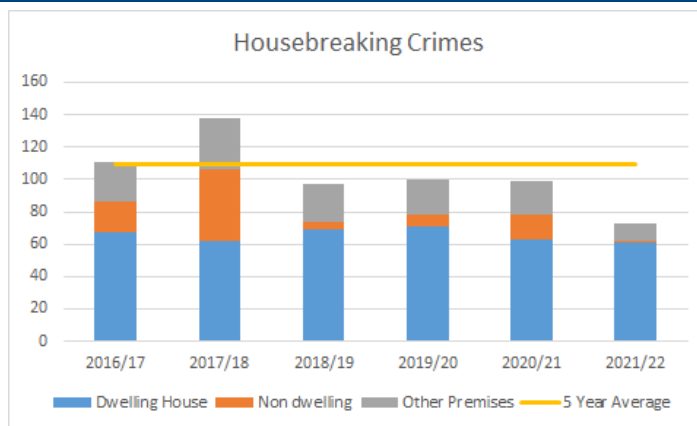
CONTEXT



In the period April – October 2021, 81 crimes have been designated as 'cyber-crimes' by Police Scotland's Cyber-Crime Intelligence Analysts. Over 57% of these were classed as financial/economic crimes, predominantly cyber-enabled fraud. Other cyber-crimes impacting on Inverclyde's communities include computer hacking, cyber-enabled sexual offences, and threatening and abusive communications.

Inverclyde Police have been running social media campaigns leading up to the festive period to give advice on personal safety, money handling and highlighting the risk of using unauthorised money lenders. This localised information complemented a national campaign regarding on-line & telephone based frauds to help raise awareness and help people to identify scammers who target the most vulnerable in our communities.

ACQUISITIVE CRIME — DATA OVERVIEW



CONTEXT



251 shoplifting crimes have been recorded – an increase of 5.3% compared to the five year average. The detection rate has fallen by 0.8 percentage points on the five year average to 79.3% in the current year.



Housebreaking crimes (including attempts) fell from a five year average of 109 to 73 crimes. There were fewer HBs to all categories of premises. The detection rate has increased by 3.9 percentage points on the five year average to 21.9% in the current year.



Motor vehicle crimes have fallen by 40.3% on the five year average to a total of 57 crimes. Theft of a motor vehicle continues to account for the highest proportion of motor vehicle crime (n=20). The MV crime detection rate is 22.8%, a decrease 8.2 percentage points on the previous five year average.



Two bogus caller crimes have been recorded in the current year. One involved a government boiler replacement scheme doorstep fraud, and the second related to failure to undertake gardening work after payment.

COUNTER TERRORISM & DOMESTIC EXTREMISM

CONTEXT

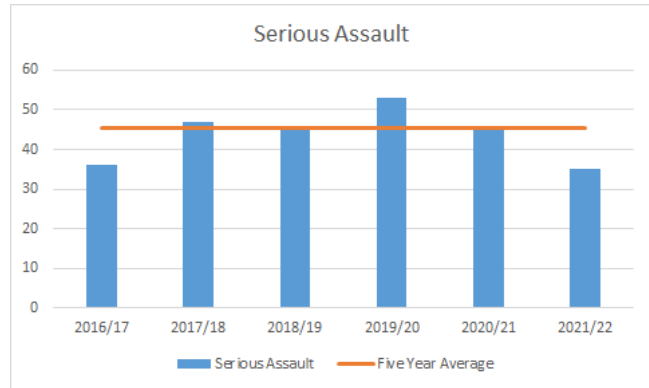
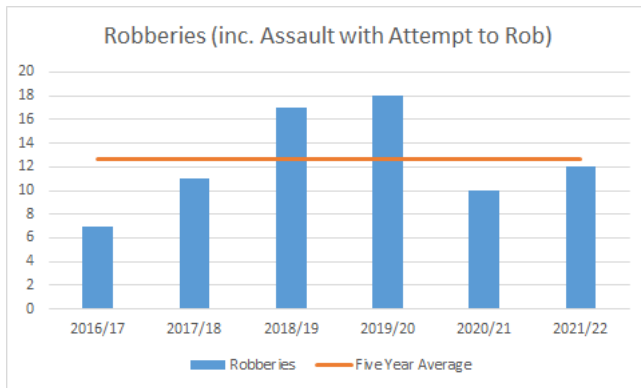
In November 2021 the Home Secretary announced an increase in the UK's Terrorist Threat Level from 'Substantial' to 'Severe'. This means it is deemed an attack is highly likely. At this time there is nothing to suggest that there is any specific threat to Scotland. However, the threat from Islamic, Northern Ireland and Right-wing terrorism remains a serious threat.

Inverclyde has an embedded CTLO (Counter Terrorist Liaison Officer) who provides expert guidance and support regarding emerging threats from national and international terrorism & Extremism. Recent activities the CTLO has been involved with including work with Ports Authority in Inverclyde to assist with inspections and training to staff and Security officers to include vigilance about the threat from international terrorism, import & export due to Brexit and COVID-19 and the challenges brought by the increase with the Cruise ship industry.

CTLO in conjunction with National Counter Terrorism teams have been providing support, security advice and guidance to local MP / MSP after the tragic murder of Sir David Amess.

ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, VIOLENCE & DISORDER - DATA OVERVIEW

1 April 2021 to 31 October 2021 - OBJECTIVE: Reduce the number of victims of violent crime



CONTEXT

69 Group 1 crimes of violence have been recorded YTD – a decrease of 8.2% on the preceding five year average (n=75.2). One murder has been recorded and one attempted murder YTD. Meanwhile, robberies have fallen by 4.8% and serious assaults by 22.9% compared to the five year average. The detection rate for Group 1 crimes is 59.4%, compared to the five year average rate of 72.1%.

Common assaults are down by 4.8% on the five year average, to a total of 380. 94 crimes targeted emergency workers (most commonly police officers). The detection rate for common assaults fell from a five year average of 69.6% to 63.9% in the current year.

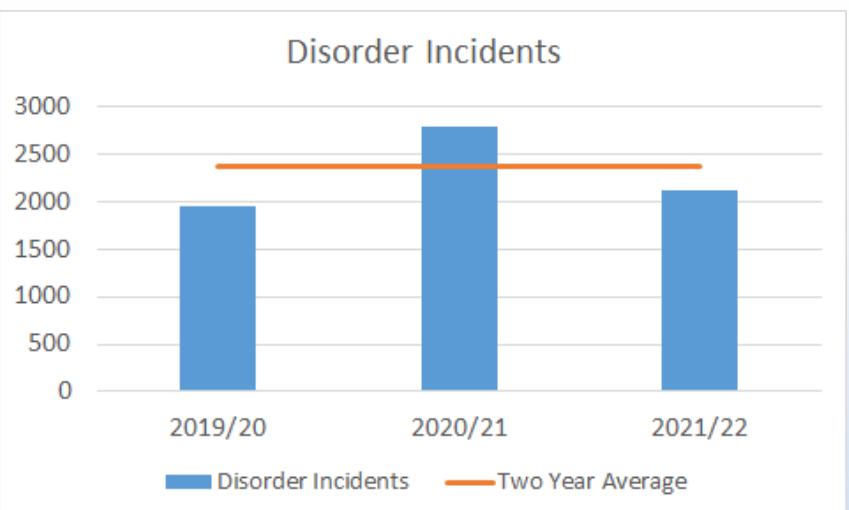
27 fire-raising crimes have been recorded, two fewer crimes than the previous five year average. The current detection rate is 11.1%, compared to the five year average rate of 14.2%. Meanwhile, recorded vandalism crimes fell from a five year average of 371 crimes to 263 crimes.

Antisocial Behaviour

CONTEXT

2,117 disorder incidents have been recorded year to date, a decrease of 23.9% on the previous two years' average. The spike noted in 2020/21 was primarily due members of the public reporting perceived or actual breaches of COVID-19 regulations.

Many disorder incidents reported in Inverclyde are as a result of groups of young people travelling along the rail network and specifically causing issues in Port Glasgow Town centre. The majority of young people who are gathering are



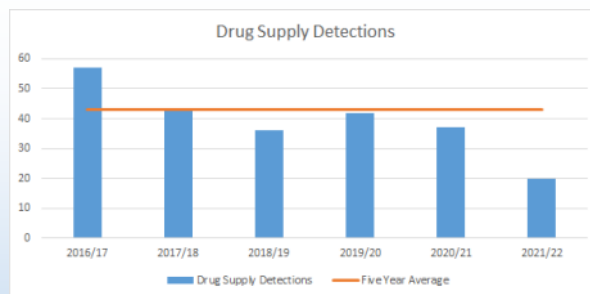
out socialising with friends of however a minority are intent on causing disorder. Several key partners are actively involved in a rolling weekly Disorder Action Plan including Police Scotland, BTP, Inverclyde Council Community Wardens and Youth Workers. When individuals are identified as being involved in disorder appropriate action is taken to engage, deter and prevent further disorder through a number of different avenues.

SERIOUS ORGANISED CRIME - DATA OVERVIEW

CONTEXT:

YTD, there have been 30 drug supply detections in Inverclyde, compared to a five year average of 43. Proactivity continues to target the two Serious and Organised Crime Groups (SOCGs) currently managed by Renfrewshire & Inverclyde Division, one of which predominantly impacts on Inverclyde. Both SOCGs are primarily involved in the supply of controlled drugs for financial gain, in addition to other harms such as the use and threat of violence and the use of firearms.

Enforcement activity is intelligence led to ensure the right people are being targeted in the right places. We continue to gather intelligence for further enforcement action in Inverclyde and it remains a priority for officers to carry out intelligence led patrols ensuring that individuals involved in the possession and supply of controlled drugs are pro-actively engaged, subsequently leading to obtaining and executing search warrants.



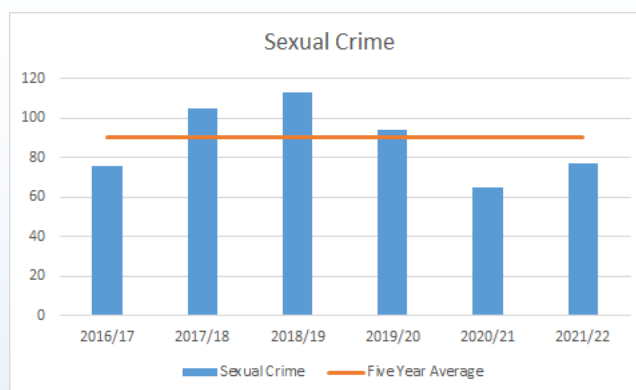
PROTECTING PEOPLE AT RISK FROM HARM - DATA OVERVIEW

CONTEXT

Reported sexual crimes decreased by 15% compared to the preceding five year average, to a total of 77 crimes. The detection rate for sexual crimes is 23.4%, down from a five year average of 49.9%. 81% of sexual crimes reported in the current year occurred in dwelling houses and other private settings.

Inverclyde Police implemented a short life working group comprising of a small team of specially trained officers to investigate all live undetected sexual offences. After the review detection rates increased from 23.4% to 42.7%.

51% of the sexual crimes recorded in the reporting period were against young people under the age of 16 years at the time of the offence – with the number of child victims increasing by 77% on the previous year. However, the majority of these crimes involved non-recent reporting.



Reports recent sexual crimes have increased by 42%, while non-recent reports have fallen by 14% on the previous year. Nearly a third of reports in the current year involved non-recent reporting. 84% of non-recent sexual crimes involved victims aged under 16 years at the time the offence occurred. Ten non-recent crimes involving child victims occurred in child care institutions and are being investigated under the auspices of the Scottish Child Abuse Inquiry and Police Scotland’s Operation FORSETI.

40 missing person reports have been recorded in Inverclyde, an increase of 27.5% compared to the previous year. There has been a reduction in the number of Young people (aged 10-19 years) from 14 to 11 as we implemented the Not At Home Protocol with the increase in reports being in the 20-59 year groups. Over 40% of all incidents resulted in missing persons being traced within 12 hours.


466 domestic abuse incidents have been recorded, down by 11.9% when compared to the previous five year average. 48.3% of these incidents resulted in at least one domestic crime being recorded. The detection rate for domestic crime was 67.2%, an increase 4.4 percentage points on the five year average detection rate.

Police in Inverclyde have been working with a number of local support services including DBI (Distress Brief intervention) to provide emotional support for people in crisis and VSS (Victim Support Scotland) for a number of support mechanisms utilising the victims fund to support victims of crime.

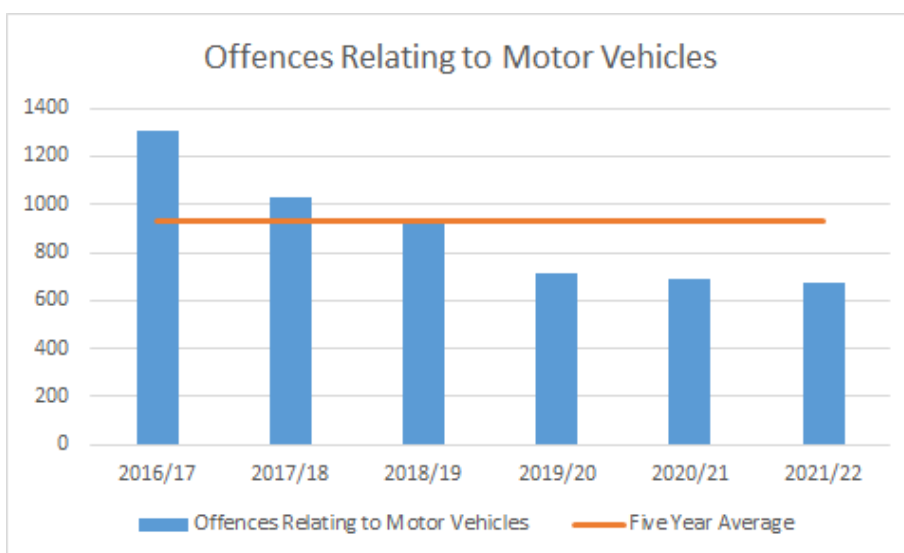
In a recent reported robbery incident Police were able to get swift engagement from VSS and Inverclyde Council to implement a number of support mechanisms including additional safety measures, food and replacement tablet computers for the victim and her children to help minimise the impact of the incident.

ROAD SAFETY & ROAD CRIME - DATA OVERVIEW

PRIORITY: REDUCE THE NUMBER OF PERSONS KILLED OR INJURED ON OUR ROADS

| Road Traffic Casualties | | 2020/21 | 2021/22 |
|---|---------------------------------------|---------|---------|
|  | Number of persons killed on our roads | 1 | 1 |
| | Number of persons seriously injured | 6 | 10 |
| | Number of persons slightly injured | 15 | 8 |
| | Number of children seriously injured | 0 | 3 |

Road Traffic Data from 01/04/2021 to 31/10/2021



CONTEXT

There has been one road fatality throughout the reporting period. In the same period last year, there was also one road fatality. Meanwhile, four additional serious road injuries have been recorded (n=10) while there were five fewer slight road injuries (n=8). Three children have been seriously injured on Inverclyde’s roads year-to-date, an increase on the same period last year.

While offences relating to motor vehicles fell by 27.3% on the five year average to a total of 676, notable increases were noted in respect of the number of disqualified, drink and drug and dangerous driving offences. 81 drink and drug driving offences (including failure to provide a sample) have been recorded—an increase of 46.7% on the previous five year average.

The detection rate for offences relating to motor vehicles overall fell by 7.2 percentage points on the five year average, to 85.1% in the current year, primarily due to the growing demand on Forensic Services resulting in delays in toxicology results being returned in relation to drink and drug driving offences. The detection rate for these drink and drug driving offences is 81.5%, down from a five year average of 93.1% (Awaiting toxicology lab results)

Local officers accompanied by Road Policing officers are conducting a series of engagement and enforcement initiatives aimed at raising awareness about various aspects of road safety and Drink / Drug driving leading upto the festive period. This has included a high visibility and unmarked patrols combined with speed checks at various locations with some drivers being issued fixed penalty notices, Anti-Social Behaviour orders or given appropriate road safety advice.

Enforcement activity was accompanied by a high profile media campaigns and a series of appeals aimed to raise awareness about the dangers of driving while intoxicated and asking the public to contact Police when a person is suspected of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

PUBLIC CONFIDENCE: COMPLAINTS & USER SATISFACTION

COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE POLICE

From 01/04/2021 - 31/10/2021

| | |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Quality of Service Allegations | 14 |
| On Duty Allegations | 46 |
| Off Duty Allegations | 0 |
| Total Allegations | 60 |

CONTEXT

A total of 60 complaints have been made in the reporting period, equating to 30.8 complaints per 10,000 police incidents. No off duty allegations were made in the reporting period, while a total of 46 on duty allegations were made (compared to a three year average of 39 allegations). A total of 14 allegations were made in relation to quality of service, equal to the previous three year average.