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**Inverclyde Council
Education and Communities Committee
Police and Fire Scrutiny Sub Committee
Inverclyde Local Policing Area
Performance Report 1st April 2014 – 28th February 2015**

March 2015

Date of Meeting: 9th April 2015

Report by Chief Superintendent Jim Downie, Police Scotland, 'K' Div

SUBJECT: Police and Fire Reform: Local Scrutiny and Engagement
Inverclyde Local Policing Area
Performance Results 1st April 2014 – 28th February 2015

1. Background

The Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 sets out that the main purpose of policing is to improve the safety and well-being of persons, localities and communities in Scotland. It ensures an enhanced focus on local delivery of policing with a designated local commander for each local authority area accountable for local service provision. Each local commander is required to prepare a local policing plan that meets the needs of the local area and is approved by the local authority. In response to this the local authority has a statutory power to monitor the delivery of police services and to provide feedback to the local commander.

2. Inverclyde Local Police Plan

The Inverclyde Local Police Plan was published on 1st April 2014. This plan sets out the local policing priorities and objectives for Inverclyde for 2014 – 2017. It will be reviewed annually through ongoing consultation and is supported by 6 ward community policing plans.

3. Performance reporting to Inverclyde Council

The local commander is required to provide reports at an agreed timescale for scrutiny by elected members. Formal scrutiny of the Inverclyde Police Plan falls under the governance of the Inverclyde Police and Fire Scrutiny Sub Committee under the auspices of the Education and Communities Committee which meets a minimum of two times per year.

4. Recommendation

The following data is extracted from Police Scotland internal systems and is correct as of 2nd January 2015. The data is a year to date comparison with the previous year. It includes both recorded and detected crime data and covers all priority areas as set out in the local police plan. Members are asked to scrutinise policing performance for the period outlined and provide feedback where appropriate.

5. Analytical report – as before with context supplied in each box

6. Appendices – none

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Violence, Disorder & Antisocial Behaviour					
		Apr 2014 - Feb 2015	Apr 2013 - Feb 2014	Victims	% Change
1	Total No Group1: Crimes of Violence	108	112	4 fewer	-3.6%
Violent crime continues to fall within Inverclyde with 4 fewer victims; we continue to focus on areas known for violence and disorder and ensure high visibility patrols are conducted within these areas to prevent violence.					
2	Murder	2	2	same number	0.0%
No change from previously reported.					
3	Attempted Murder	9	5	4 more	80.0%
There have been 4 more attempted murder crimes this year, the majority of these offences have been committed by persons known to one another and have taken place within private dwellings.					
4	Culpable Homicide (common law)	0	0	None	-
5	Culpable Homicide (other)	0	0	None	-
6	Serious Assault detection rate	71.6%	64.9%		6.7%
The detection rate for serious assault has increased by 6.7%					
7	Serious Assault	67	77	10 fewer	-13.0%
There have been 10 fewer victims of serious assault. Alcohol and drugs play a major part in crimes of violence therefore we continue to work together with our partners in the local authority in order to prevent and detect violent crimes.					
8	Robbery detection rate	60.0%	72.2%		-12.2%
The detection rate for robbery has dropped by 12.2% however there have been a 16.7% decrease in the number of robberies committed.					
9	Robbery	15	18	3 fewer	-16.7%
There have been 3 fewer victims of robbery within Inverclyde, we continue our focus on prevention of these types of crimes, carrying out interventions with known offenders and providing a reassurance to vulnerable persons and premises.					
10	Common assault detection rate	75.3%	78.5%		-3.2%
The detection rate for common assault remains high at 75.3%					
11	Common assault	555	554	1 more	0.2%
Violent crime remains a high priority for Police Scotland; we continue to focus our attention on areas which are known to us for violence and disorder, continuing our work in the local license premises to educate staff and members of the public.					
12	Stop and searches conducted	no data	no data		no data
Stop search consultation is presently ongoing					
13	Number of positive stop and searches conducted.	no data	no data		no data
14	Number of complaints regarding disorder	3,836	4,280	444 fewer	-10.4%
The number of complaints has reduced by 444, by working together with our partners we continue to significantly reduce the number of complaints being received in relation to disorder. We continue to consult members of the public and analyse current call data in order to identify hotspot areas, officers are then deployed appropriately to deal proactively with emerging concerns					

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Violence, Disorder & Antisocial Behaviour (continued)					
		Apr 2014 - Feb 2015	Apr 2013 - Feb 2014	Victims	% Change
15	Number of Domestic Abuse Incidents Reported to the Police	821	732		12.2%
The number of domestic incidents reported to the police has increased however the number that result in crimes has dropped. This indicates an increase in victim confidence as incidents are reported early preventing further escalation.					
16	Total Crimes and offences in domestic abuse incidents	507	531		-4.5%
The number of domestic incidents resulting in crimes and offences has dropped by 4.5%, this again shows an increase in confidence and awareness of police procedures by victims.					
17	Percentage of Domestic Incidents that result in a crime being recorded	46.8%	57.0%		-10.2%
A decrease of 10.2% in domestic incidents that result in crimes being recorded					
18	Total crimes and offences in domestic abuse incidents detection rate	81.5%	84.6%		-3.1%
The detection rate for domestic incidents remains high and above the national average at 81.5%					
19	Total Detections for Domestic Bail Offences	45	47		-4.3%
Victim safety is priority, we continue to carry out interventions with the suspects and reassurance visits to the victims to ensure bail offences are detected.					
20	Ensure 95% of domestic abuse initial bail checks are conducted within a prescribed timeframe (24hrs)	98.8%	-		-
98.8% of all initial bail checks to the victims of domestic abuse are conducted within 24 hours.					
21	Hate Crime and offences detection rate	81.7%	85.7%		-4.0%
The detection rate for hate crimes and offences currently sits at 81.7%, exceeding the force target.					
Additional Identified Local Priorities					
		Apr 2014 - Feb 2015	Apr 2013 - Feb 2014	Victims	% Change
22	Number of detections for drugs supply, drugs productions, drugs cultivation	65	66		-1.5%
The number of detections for drug offences has decreased slightly by 1.5%, this is a local priority identified through public consultation.					
23	Theft by housebreaking (including attempts) detection rate	14.0%	10.4%		3.6%
The detection rate for theft by housebreaking has increased, there are presently several enquiries awaiting results of forensic analysis which may increase this further.					
24	Theft by housebreaking (including attempts)	335	279	56 more	20.1%
Although the number of housebreakings to garden sheds and outbuildings has increased the number of housebreaking with private dwelling is down by 12%.					
25	Theft by shoplifting detection rate	81.4%	89.4%		-8.0%
The detection rate for theft by shoplifting offences is currently high at 81.4%.					
26	Theft by shoplifting	355	453	98 fewer	-21.6%

Our dedicated town centre team continues to work with local businesses and the local authority in order to prevent and detect these offences resulting in a reduction of 21.6%.					
27	Vandalism & Malicious Mischief detection rate	13.0%	13.2%		-0.2%
The detection rate for vandalism and malicious mischief is currently 13%, these types of crimes can be difficult to detect due to the random nature. All enquiries are monitored to ensure they are conducted robustly in order to detect offences					
28	Vandalism & Malicious Mischief	829	684	145 more	21.2%
29	Number of detections for Consuming Alcohol in a designated place (where appropriate byelaws exist)	789	1477		-46.6%
The number of detections for persons consuming alcohol in a designated area has dropped by 46.6%					

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Public Protection					
		Apr 2014 - Feb 2015	Apr 2013 - Feb 2014	Victims	% Change
30	Number of Group 2 - Crimes of Indecency	65	78	13 fewer	-16.7%
Crimes of indecency within Inverclyde have reduced by 16.7% resulting in 13 fewer victims.					
31	Group 2 crimes detection rate	67.7%	70.5%		-2.8%
The detection rate for group 2 crimes is currently 67.7%					
32	Rape detection rate	62.5%	105.6%		-43.1%
Our Rape Investigation Unit and CID departments continue to work on enquiries both current and historical, many of which involve complex enquiry over an extended period of time.					

Road Traffic Casualty Statistics					
		Apr 2014 - Feb 2015	Apr 2013 - Feb 2014	Victims	% Change
	People Killed	1	0	1 more	-
	People Seriously injured	13	12	1 more	8.3%
	People Slightly Injured	151	116	35 more	30.2%
	Children (aged<16) Killed	0	0	None	-
	Children (aged<16) Seriously Injured	1	3	2 fewer	-66.7%
Keeping people safe on our roads continues to be a priority; we continue our focus on educating drivers and enforcing driver behaviour.					

Road Safety & Road Crime					
		Apr 2014 - Feb	Apr 2013 - Feb	Victims	% Change

		2015	2014		
33	Dangerous driving	16	17		-5.9%
34	Speeding	689	988		-30.3%
35	Disqualified driving	2	12		-83.3%
36	Driving Licence	99	152		-34.9%
37	Insurance	180	269		-33.1%
38	Seat Belts	135	531		-74.6%
39	Mobile Phone	179	561		-68.1%

Traffic offences have reduced significantly which can be attributed to an increased awareness and improved technology. The divisional road policing unit focus on keeping the roads within Inverclyde safe.

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Public Confidence					
		Apr 2014 - Feb 2015			
		Number of Complaints about the Police		Number of Complaints per 10,000 Police Incidents	
40	Complaints received about the Police	no data		no data	
		On Duty Allegations	Off Duty Allegations	Quality of Service Allegations	Total Number of Allegations
41	Total Allegations Recorded	75	1	9	85