

Notice of Meeting and Agenda

Police and Fire & Rescue Scrutiny Sub-Committee

Date	Time	Venue
Tuesday, 22 August 2023	15:00	Council Chambers (Renfrewshire), Council Headquarters, Renfrewshire House, Cotton Street, Paisley, PA1 1AN

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To: Police, Fire & Rescue Scrutiny Sub-Committee

On: 22 August 2023

Report by: Director of Environment, Housing and Infrastructure

Heading: Scottish Partnership Against Acquisitive Crime (SPAACE):
Acquisitive Crime Strategy 2023-2028

1. Summary

- 1.1 Acquisitive crime is defined as any type of crime whereby the perpetrator seeks to derive material gain from the crime. Anyone can be a victim of acquisitive crime, with examples of this including fraud, housebreaking, doorstep crime, fuel thefts and theft of plant machinery.
 - 1.2 Police Scotland, with their partners across industry, the regulatory landscape and third sector, have formed the Scottish Partnership against Acquisitive Crime (SPAACE) to provide strategic focus to preventative activities. The partners bring a range of expertise to tackle the problem, with the joint aim of reducing the risks our communities face from acquisitive crime, and the associated financial loss.
 - 1.3 SPAACE have now launched the first "Acquisitive Crime Strategy 2023 – 2028", attached at Appendix 1, which recognises that the key to success in tackling this greater focus to this growing area of criminality lies in a collaborative approach. This report sets out workstreams in which Public Protection are key partners.
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2. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Police, Fire & Rescue Scrutiny Sub-Committee:

- 2.1 Note that Trading Standards and the Community Safety Partnership welcome and commit to supporting the Strategy in Renfrewshire as attached at Appendix 1.
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3. Background

3.1 The Scottish Partnership against Acquisitive Crime (SPAACE) is a collaborative working initiative across regulators, industry and the third sector, including:

- Police Scotland,
- Scottish Government,
- Society of Chief Officers of Trading Standards in Scotland (SCOTSS),
- Trading Standards Scotland (TSS),
- HM Revenue & Customs (HMRC),
- Scottish Plant Owners Association Scotland (SPAOS),
- Retailers against Crime,
- Neighbourhood Watch Scotland,
- Secured by Design,
- Take 5 to Stop Fraud, and
- Crimestoppers.

3.2 Acquisitive crime accounts for a substantial number of all crimes reported in Scotland and is estimated to make up an even more significant proportion of unreported criminal activity. The financial landscape - such as the cost-of-living crisis, low economic growth and high rate of poverty - can all have a significant impact on intent to commit acquisitive crime. This type of crime can affect anyone at any time but will disproportionately affect the most vulnerable in our society.

3.3 SPAACE aim to minimise the opportunities to commit acquisitive crime, whilst maximising the impact of prevention campaigns across Scotland. Tackling acquisitive crime represents a challenge for all partners involved in the initiative. Resilient and robust outcomes will only be realised by working collaboratively - implementing best practice to evolve the approach to this form of criminality.

3.4 The Strategy contains key objectives to which services within Climate & Public Protection can add significant value. These include:

- Minimising opportunities for acquisitive crime, and reducing the harm it causes to our communities,
- Developing a nationwide approach to reduce doorstep crime and the harm it causes,
- Working with partners to tackle acquisitive crime, and to protect individuals and businesses from this threat,
- Delivering a clearer reporting mechanism for advice and guidance, and
- Building upon community and business resilience.

Locally, Trading Standards and the Community Safety Partnership have well-established relationships and a history of successful partnership working in these areas, through initiatives such as “Shut Out Scammers”, and contribution to relevant tactical groups, such as the National Acquisitive Crime Group (via SCOTSS Lead Officer) and the K Division SOC & Interventions Group.

3.5 Trading Standards will work with other internal partners to advise and support businesses, by promotion of initiative such as RenSafeOnline or by direction to the Scottish Business Resilience Centre for their extensive business safety advice.

3.6 In consultation with partners, SPAACE have set 7 main priorities within the acquisitive crime sphere. These are:

- Theft (e.g., bike theft, metal theft, fuel theft),
- Itinerant doorstep crime (e.g., bogus officials, rogue traders),
- Illicit trade (e.g., counterfeit goods, illicit trade),
- Vehicle Crime,
- Robbery,
- Housebreaking, and
- Fraud.

Trading Standards are noted as key local and national partners for activity around theft, itinerant doorstep crime and illicit trade. Locally, Trading Standards will promote the Renfrewshire Trusted Trader Scheme as a reputable place to secure a trader to work on your home. The Team continue to action intelligence received as part of Operation CECE (national initiative to tackle illicit tobacco). Recent activity saw over 600 tobacco products removed from two premises, with an estimated loss to legitimate business of over £10,000 had that been sold. Officers will continue to work with Police to undertake targeted interventions on premises holding licences, such as Scrap Metal dealers. The Community Partnership will be key local partners for activity around vehicle crime, robbery, housebreaking and fraud, in particular the utilisation of public space CCTV, and Community Support Officer patrols in key areas.

3.7 Renfrewshire Council welcomes the new Acquisitive Crime Strategy 2023-2028 which captures the issues and challenges faced locally. This collaborative approach builds on existing networks, relationships and successes, which will now attract greater strategic oversight and direction.

3.8 A rolling calendar of targeted enforcement initiatives and awareness campaigns in has been developed and scheduled to tie in existing national campaign activity. Priorities will be broadly aligned with seasonal problems and work will be subject to review to ensure the activity remains relevant and well targeted. Police Scotland will work alongside relevant partners in Trading Standards and the Community Safety Partnership, to carry out enforcement activity targeting those involved in acquisitive crime, as follows:

- Spring – doorstep crime, fraud, vehicle crime, commercial housebreaking
- Summer – bike theft, metal theft, plant theft
- Autumn – shoplifting, doorstep crime, domestic housebreaking
- Winter – fraud, illicit trade, fuel theft

3.9 Updates on activity around this Strategy will be reported to the Police, Fire & Rescue Sub-Committee for Governance purposes, and noted to the Chief Officers' Group for information only.

Implications of the Report

1. **Financial** - not applicable.
2. **HR & Organisational Development** - not applicable.
3. **Community/Council Planning** -
 - Our Renfrewshire is thriving - legitimate businesses will not be disadvantaged by competitors gaining an unfair advantage through criminality.
 - Our Renfrewshire is fair - our residents will be well informed, and safe from criminal loss or exploitation.
 - Our Renfrewshire is safe - our communities will have a reduced threat from this type of criminality.
 - Reshaping our place, our economy and our future - businesses will be attracted to Renfrewshire as a safe and well-regulated place to trade.
 - Tackling inequality, ensuring opportunities for all - vulnerable residents will be informed and protected.
 - Working together to improve outcomes – collaborative working makes best use of partner resources, skills and tools.
4. **Legal** - This Strategy does not require Officers to undertake any new enforcement activity. Officers in Public Protection are already authorised and empowered to act in relation to relevant legislation through the Scheme of Delegated Functions.
5. **Property/Assets** - not applicable.
6. **Information Technology** - not applicable.
7. **Equality & Human Rights** -
 - (a) The Recommendations contained within this report have been assessed in relation to their impact on equalities and human rights. No negative impacts on equality groups or potential for infringement of individuals' human rights have been identified arising from the recommendations contained in the report because it is for noting only. If required following implementation, the actual impact of the recommendations and the mitigating actions will be reviewed and monitored, and the results of the assessment will be published on the Council's website.
8. **Health & Safety** - none.
9. **Procurement** - not applicable.
10. **Risk** - none.
11. **Privacy Impact** - none.

12. **COSLA Policy Position** – *enter details or not applicable.*

13. **Climate Risk** - not applicable.

List of Background Papers

None.

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Acquisitive Crime Strategy

2023 – 2028





Our partners

CrimeStoppers.
Speak up. Stay safe.



Welcome :: Fàilte

Welcome to the first strategy to prevent and tackle acquisitive crime across Scotland. The Scottish Partnership Against Acquisitive Crime **SPAACE** recognises Scotland is a diverse mix of people and geography.

The partners bring a range of expertise to tackle acquisitive crime with the joint aim of reducing the risks our communities face from acquisitive crime and the associated financial loss.

SPAACE puts early prevention opportunities at the core of what we do, aiming to reduce the likelihood of harm for vulnerable people in our communities from the very outset. This goes hand in hand with positive action to mitigate the factors we know can cause long lasting harm.

SPAACE will adopt a whole system approach, working collaboratively and in partnership with each other to positively contribute to the lives and wellbeing of our communities.

SPAACE recognises that the true cost of acquisitive crime is felt emotionally as well as financially. There is also a wider environmental impact from crime and its carbon footprint. Every step we take to minimise the instances of acquisitive crime will have a positive effect on individuals, local communities and the environment.



**This strategy
outlines how we will
work in partnership
to tackle acquisitive
crime throughout
Scotland**

SPAACE is a multi-agency partnership involving key organisations collectively working together to tackle acquisitive crime. Providing strategic focus, SPAACE co-ordinates a committed and sustained approach of crime prevention advice across Scotland's communities.

We will develop collaborative approaches with partners to raise awareness, share intelligence and information relating to emerging acquisitive crime trends.

We will use this collaborative approach to deliver best practice and reduce harm by raising public awareness through national campaigns.



Vision

Prevent acquisitive crime having an impact on our communities



Aim

Work with our partners to reduce the opportunities for acquisitive crime



Objectives

- **Minimise opportunities for acquisitive crime** and reduce the harm it causes to our communities
- Develop our nationwide approach to **reduce doorstep crime** and the harm it causes
- Work with partners to tackle acquisitive crime and **protect individuals and businesses** from this threat
- Deliver a **clearer reporting mechanism** for advice and guidance
- Build upon **community and business resilience**

What is Acquisitive crime?

Acquisitive crime is a high volume crime accounting for a substantial number of all crimes reported in Scotland often targeting the most vulnerable in our society.

SPAACE priorities aim to minimise the opportunities to commit acquisitive crime whilst maximising the impact of acquisitive crime prevention campaigns across Scotland. Tackling acquisitive crime represents a challenge for the police and partner agencies. Effective, long term reductions will only occur by working together sharing and implementing good practice to keep pace with this constantly evolving form of criminality.

Building on work previously undertaken coupled with recent consultation involving partners, SPAACE has set 7 priorities:





The Strategy

Crime prevention is a broad and complex concept. Policing will only ever be one part of a successful prevention approach. Trading Standards Scotland, Society of Chief Officers of Trading Standards in Scotland, Local Authorities' and a host of other public and third sector services will be even more important than policing in achieving successful outcomes long-term. The responsibility for crime prevention needs to be shared across agencies with Police Scotland being an active and enthusiastic partner in a co-ordinated approach.

Crime prevention is about understanding and addressing both the cause and the crime. It is:

Any intervention which prevents or reduces a crime that would have occurred without that intervention;



Police and partners working together with communities, learning about shared problems, and jointly designing unique solutions;

When we initiate crime responses before there is a significant problem as opposed to reacting to crime matters on an incident by incident basis



Prevention Intelligence Enforcement Reassurance

SPAACE seeks to provide a co-ordinated, focused and pro-active approach through effective partnerships coupled with increased visibility to reduce opportunities for those that commit crimes causing the greatest threat, risk or harm to our communities.

SPAACE aims to ensure that Scotland's communities are aware of the work being done on their behalf to improve their sense of wellbeing and safety and reduce the fear of crime.

SPAACE is committed to preventing crime and reducing the fear of crime through communication, education, innovation and partnership working to empower communities and individuals.



Acquisitive Crime Prevention and Education

All activity and campaigns to address these priorities will have a supportive thread through them provided by Scottish Government, Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service (COPFS) and relevant partners. Activity will be subject to ongoing review and we will act upon any lessons learned as they develop keeping us agile and relevant.

Theft



Bike theft • Metal Theft • Theft by Shoplifting • Plant Theft • Fuel Theft

The lead partners addressing these areas will be Police Scotland, Trading Standards Scotland and Retailers against Crime. Scottish Plant Owners Association, Scottish Environmental Protection Agency, Local Authority Trading Standards, National Infrastructure Crime Reduction Forum (UK) and Police Crime Prevention Initiatives (UK).

Itinerant Doorstep Crime



Bogus Worker • Cold Callers

Activity will flex with the current trends supported by Trading Standards officers in Local Authorities', Trading Standards Scotland, Police Scotland and HM Revenue & Customs.

Illicit Trade



Counterfeit Goods • Illicit Trade

Activity will be driven by current trends highlighted through the Scottish Anti Illicit Trade Group supported by the Business Crime Prevention Unit in Police Scotland, Trading Standards Scotland, Local Authority Trading Standards Officers and COPFS.

Vehicle Crime



Theft of Motor Vehicle • Theft From Motor Vehicle

Activity will be intelligence led by Police Scotland and relevant partners additionally supported by prevention schemes such as ParkMark and Secured By Design.

Robbery



Activity will be driven by current intelligence picture by Police Scotland and relevant partners in Cash Valuables in Transit, Retailers against Crime and the Business Crime Prevention Unit in Police Scotland.

Housebreaking



Theft HB • Attempt Theft HB • Commercial and Domestic

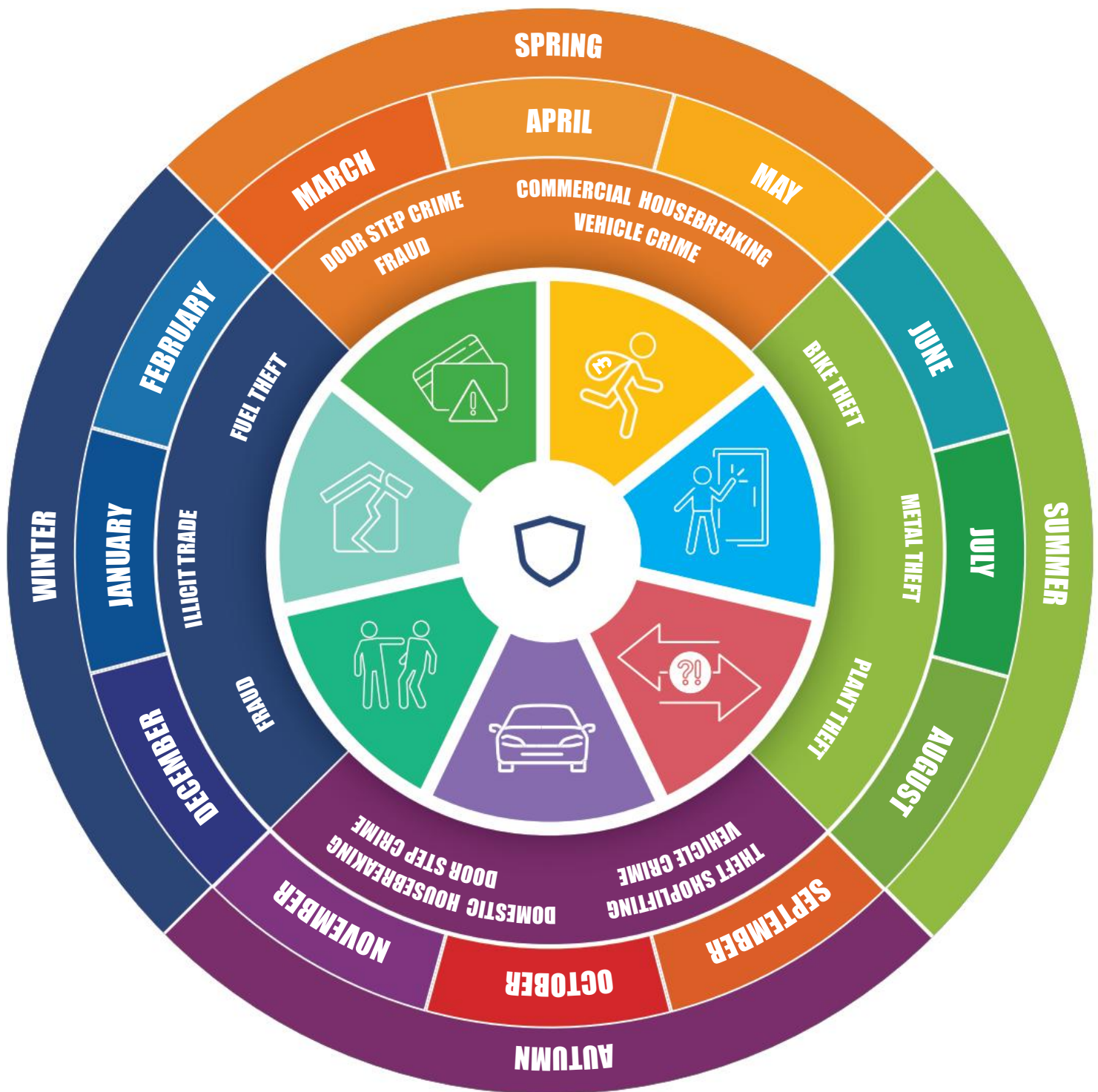
Prevention activity will be lead by Police Scotland supported by partners including Neighborhood Watch Scotland and Secured By Design.

Fraud



Prevention activity will be delivered throughout Scotland, lead by the Cybercrime Harm Prevention and Business Crime Prevention Unit in Police Scotland. Supported by partners in OPAL and UK Finance - Take 5 to stop fraud.

Acquisitive Crime Campaign Calendar





We need everyone to make a positive change such as signing up to [Construction Watch Scotland ALERTS \(Scan QR code below\)](#) , making that phone call when you observe a vehicle acting suspiciously or installing prevention measures no matter how small.

Together we will collectively prevent, reduce and tackle acquisitive crime in Scotland, protect our communities through strong partnerships and ultimately ensure regardless of geographical location, communities feel safe!

Always dial **999** in an emergency, dial **101** for non-emergencies or go online to report incidents of a non-serious nature via www.scotland.police.uk/secureforms/contact

If you know or suspect someone who is involved in acquisitive crime contact the independent charity Crimestoppers - they are 100% anonymous on **0800 555 111**

If reporting an incident and not sure where you are, remember Police Scotland Area Control Rooms accept the terms used in location sharing app 'What3Words'

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**Construction
Watch** SCOTLAND

Delivered by Neighbourhood Watch Scotland



Renfrewshire Performance Summary Report

Reporting Period: 01/04/23 - 30/06/23

Total Crime



+1.6%



3,895 Crimes

Incidents Recorded

Common Assault

Overall Dishonesty

Domestic Abuse Incidents

-5.7%



13,808

+8.5%



486

+24.6%



977

+2.9%



532

Overall Violent Crime

Sexual Crime

Road Traffic Casualties

Disorder Complaints

+6.2%



532

+2.5%



123

+11.1%



30

-9.2%*



1,696

Missing People

Counter Terrorism

Housebreaking

-27.2%



193



The threat level from INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM is SUBSTANTIAL —an attack has been deemed as likely to occur.



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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 comparable period in the preceding reporting year.

CI William Graham

Renfrewshire Area Commander

RENFREWSHIRE POLICING PRIORITIES 2023/26

PRIORITY	EXECUTIVE SUMMARY
 VIOLENCE, DISORDER AND ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR	<p>Overall violent crime has increased by 6.2% on the previous year, with a total of 532 crimes recorded in the reporting period. A greater number of murders, robberies, common assaults and threats and extortion were recorded as compared to last year. The detection rate for overall crimes of violence is 58.8%, a fall of 9% on the previous year.</p>
 PROTECTING VULNERABLE PEOPLE	<p>123 sexual crimes have been recorded in Renfrewshire in the reporting period, three more than the previous year. 13 more rapes / attempted rapes were recorded. The detection rate for sexual crimes has decreased by 29.6 percentage points, to 52%.</p>
 ACQUISITIVE AND CYBER / DIGITAL CRIME	<p>Overall crimes of dishonesty have increased by 24.6%, with common theft, fraud and shoplifting (three of the highest volume acquisitive crimes) all continuing to rise. The detection rate achieved was 32.7%, an increase on the previous year of 2.8%. Over 41% of crimes tagged with the 'cybercrime' marker recorded in the current reporting year were acquisitive crimes, most commonly online frauds.</p>
 SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME	<p>Intelligence led policing resulted in 52 drugs detections in the current year, a rise of 24 on the previous reporting year. In Renfrewshire & Inverclyde Division, serious and organised criminals were deprived of £808,553 in cash and assets through use of the Proceeds of Crime Act. One Serious and Organised Crime Group principal member and 29 SOCG associates were arrested in the current reporting year.</p>
 ROAD SAFETY AND ROAD CRIME	<p>Overall, road casualties have increased by three, to a total of 30. Offences relating to motor vehicles have fallen by 12.8% on the previous year, to a total of 813. The detection rate for offences relating to motor vehicles is 85.2%.</p>

POLICE SCOTLAND'S POLICING PRIORITIES 2022/23

Protecting vulnerable people

Renfrewshire & Inverclyde Division continues to support a multi-agency approach to reduce drug deaths, to engage with Scottish Government and stakeholders to influence approaches to supporting individuals with complex mental health needs, and to work in partnership to develop local effective and efficient pathways to support vulnerable people.

Working with communities

The Division continues to support this Police Scotland priority and to develop strategic partnerships to find synergy in policy making and shared resources. Police in Renfrewshire recognise the importance of engaging with communities to understand their needs, and strive to support innovation in local partnership settings.

Tackling crime in the digital age

Police in Renfrewshire continue to benefit from the support of specialised Police Scotland units such as the Cybercrime Unit and the Economic Crime and Financial Investigation Unit, amongst others. There are continued efforts to ensure our Officers have the training, resources and equipment needed to tackle the threat arising from cyber related criminality and technological advancement.

Support for operational policing

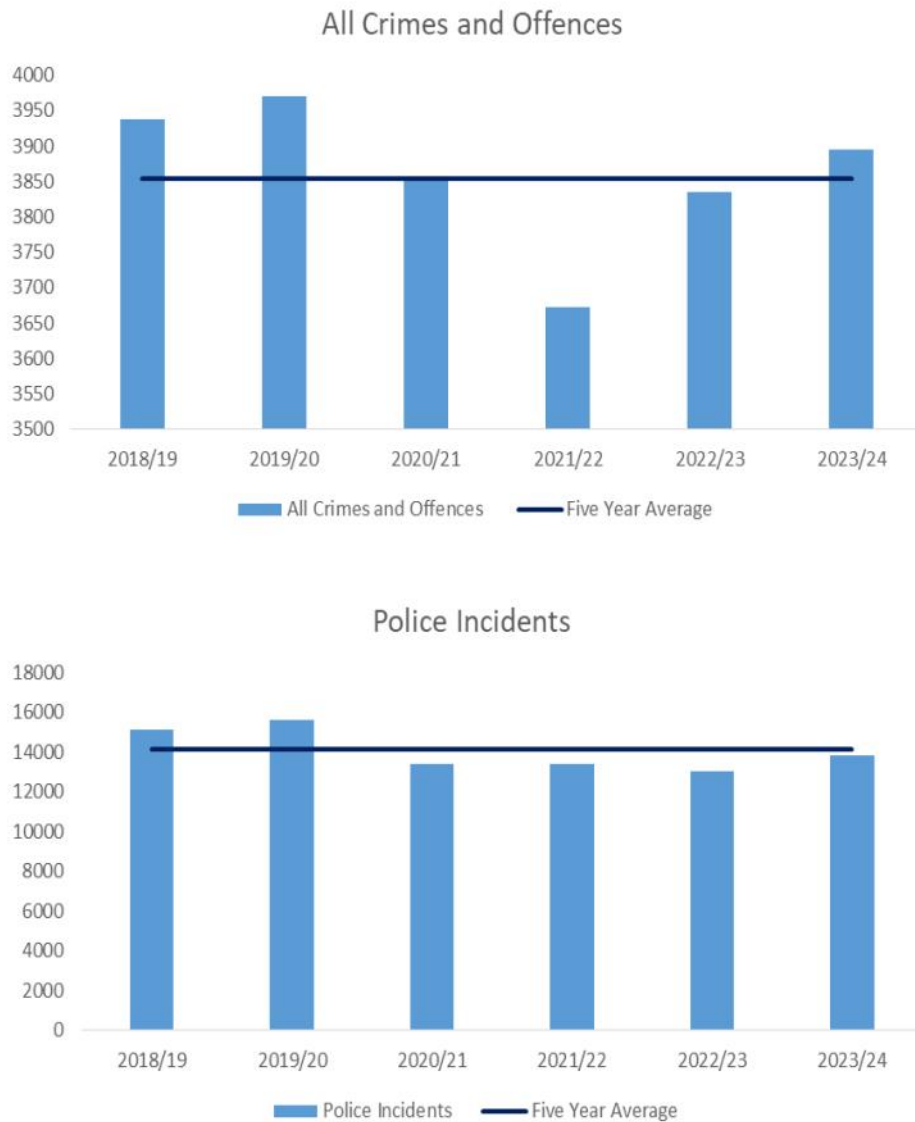
Renfrewshire Police continue to link in closely with Police Scotland's Corporate Services who enable and support operational resources to deliver against the strategic priorities and their outcomes. Significant developments arising from the Digitally Enabled Policing Programme which have resulted in direct benefits to Renfrewshire Police include the National Network / Project ADEL, the rollout of mobile devices and the suite of applications delivered via Core Operational Systems (COS).

DEMAND ANALYSIS

PYTD - PREVIOUS YEAR TO DATE

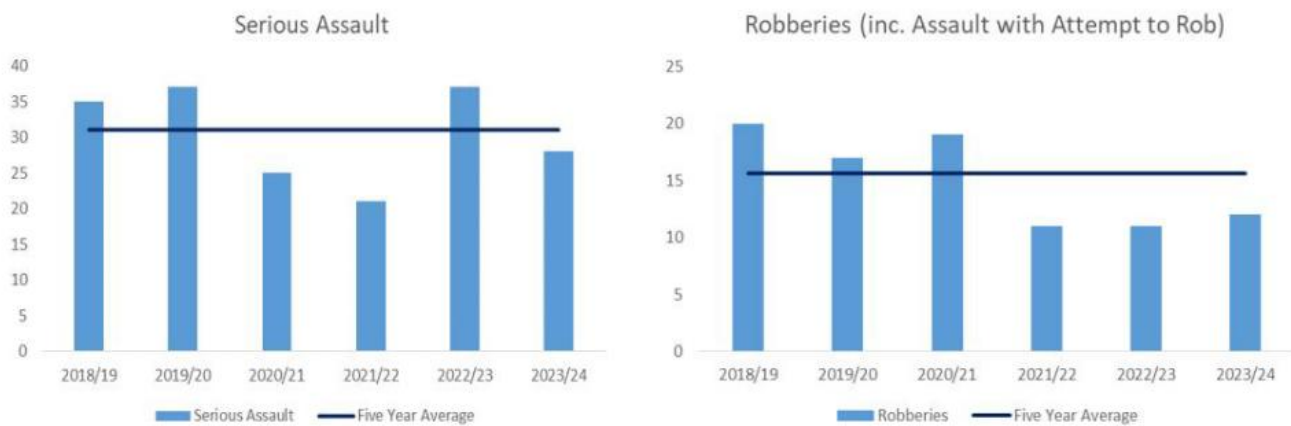
CYTD - CURRENT YEAR TO DATE

CRIME	PYTD	CYTD	INCIDENTS	PYTD	CYTD
Total Crimes & Offences	3,835	3,895	Total number of incidents	13,067	13,808



The volume of recorded crime and offences has increased by 1.6% with a rise in recorded crimes of violence, crimes of non-sexual violence, sexual crimes and crimes of dishonesty. Recorded police incidents have increased by 5.7%, however remain 2.3% below five year average figures.

VIOLENCE, ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR AND DISORDER



Violence

Overall violent crime has increased by 6.2% on the previous year, with a total of 532 crimes recorded in the reporting period. A greater number of murders, robberies, common assaults and threats and extortion were recorded as compared to last year. The detection rate for overall crimes of violence is 58.8%, a fall of 9% on the previous year.

Disorder and Antisocial Behaviour

31 wilful fireraising crimes have been recorded— a decrease of 11.4% on the previous year. The current detection rate is 12.9%, a drop of 18.5 percentage points on the previous year. Advice continues to be issued to all householders regarding the dangers of leaving combustible items in common close areas. Meanwhile, recorded vandalism crimes have fallen by 16.3% on the previous year, to a total of 261 crimes in the reporting period.

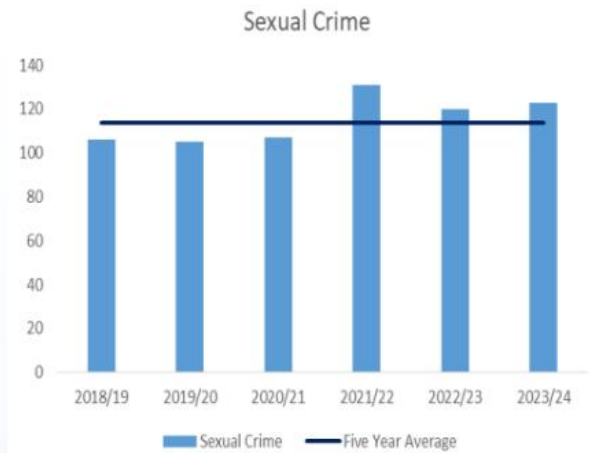
Hate Crime

17 more hate incidents have been recorded in Renfrewshire in the reporting period (n=70) compared to the same period in 2022/23. 61 of these incidents resulted in a crime being recorded, an increase of 29.8% on the previous year. The detection rate for hate crimes in Renfrewshire in the reporting period is 65.6%, up by 8.1 percentage points on last year.

PROTECTING VULNERABLE PEOPLE

Sexual Crime

123 sexual crimes have been recorded in Renfrewshire in the reporting period, an increase of 2.5% on the reported crime volume in the previous year. This included an increase of over 61% in the number of recorded rapes and attempted rapes. The detection rate for sexual crimes has decreased by 29.6 percentage points on the previous year, to 52%. 31 cyber-enabled sexual crimes were recorded in the reporting period, with a large proportion of these relating to indecent communications with children, sending sexual images to children, and the disclosure (or threats to disclose) of intimate images.



Missing People

In the period April 2023 to June 2023, 193 missing person reports have been recorded in Renfrewshire, a significant decrease on the 265 reports in the same period in 2022/23. 192 of the missing people in the reporting period were traced alive, with the remaining missing person being found deceased. The decrease was most evident in missing person reports involving younger people, with the incidents involving people aged under 20 years falling by 32.7% year on year. Repeat missing persons continue to be a concern, with the top five repeat missing people (all of whom were aged 16 or under) featuring in a total of 38 incidents – almost 20% of the overall total of missing person incidents in the reporting period. Police Scotland remains committed to reducing harm related to people who go missing and continues to develop and implement key measures to ensure missing persons and their friends and family receive a consistently high level of service wherever the person has gone missing from. In Renfrewshire, over 65% of missing people were traced within 24 hours of being reported as missing, with this proportion rising to approximately 84% being traced within two days.

Domestic Abuse

Victims of domestic abuse remain one of Renfrewshire and Inverclyde Division's top priorities. Recorded domestic abuse incidents in Renfrewshire increased by 2.9% on the previous year, to a total of 532. 41.2% of all recorded incidents resulted in a crime being recorded – a decrease of 3.9 percentage points on the previous year. The detection rate for domestic crime fell by 22.8 percentage points on the previous year, to 60.1% in the reporting period.

Drug Related Deaths

13 confirmed or suspected drugs related deaths occurred in Renfrewshire in the reporting period - an increase of four on the previous year. Toxicology results are awaited for all suspected DRDs in the reporting period. Although toxicology results are still awaited, Cocaine and Valium are the most commonly suspected substances to be involved.

Following the Naloxone introduction in 2022, Renfrewshire & Inverclyde Division commenced their divisional rollout in February 2023. The rollout incorporated all forward facing police resources. Approximately 60% of officers deployed in Renfrewshire have completed Naloxone training, and there have been three instances in the past three months where Naloxone has been deployed.

SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME

Intelligence led policing resulted in 52 drugs detections in the current year. This comprised of 45 detected drugs supply / possession with intent to supply crimes and two crimes relating to the production, manufacture or cultivation of drugs.

In Renfrewshire & Inverclyde Division, serious and organised criminals were deprived of £808,553 in cash and assets through use of the Proceeds of Crime Act - an increase of over 184% on the previous year's POCA total.

One Serious and Organised Crime Group principal member and 29 SOCG associates were arrested in the Division in the current reporting year.

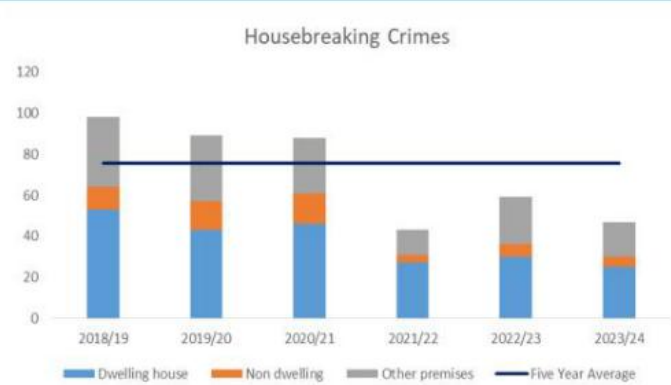
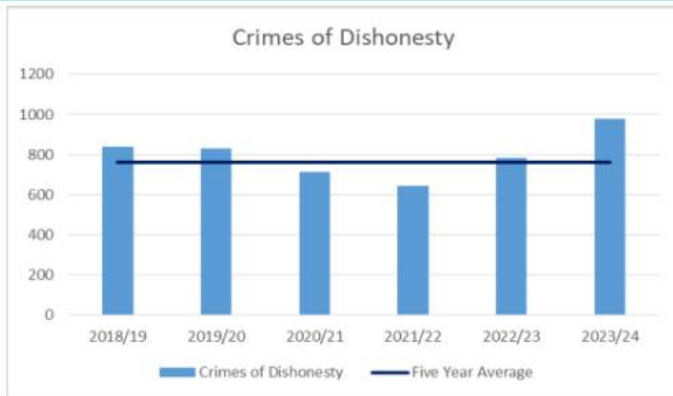
Intelligence-driven stop and search continues to be utilised to proactively target serious and organised criminals, with this tactic resulting in 50 drugs seizures in Renfrewshire in the reporting period, with 44% of these seizures relating to Class 'A' substances. 59% of the drug seizures occurred within the Paisley North West ward.

COUNTER TERRORISM & DOMESTIC EXTREMISM

At this time there is nothing to suggest that there is any specific threat to Scotland. However, the threat from Islam-ic, Northern Ireland and Right-wing terrorism remains a serious threat. The terrorist threat picture in Scotland is diverse and complex with current investigative activity ongoing for activity linked to Islamist extremism, NIRT and ERWT. The threat from Self-Initiated Terrorists (S-ITs) continues to represent the most significant risk of a terrorist attack occurring in Scotland. Any terrorist attack in Scotland is most likely to be conducted by a S-IT using a low-sophistication methodology such as a bladed or blunt force weapon or vehicle as a weapon. The threat from S-ITs manifests in the form of their ability to successfully plan and conduct their attacks with little or no warning. This can be particularly challenging to detect and can be motivated by ideologies across the entire ideological spectrum, and on occasion with mixed or unclear ideologies. Mental health issues are a persistent feature of investigations, and this growing issue remains a risk in relation to S-IT activity. This continues to be evidenced across all threat areas, indicating how vulnerable individuals can be influenced by extremist narratives.

Renfrewshire has an embedded CTLO (Counter Terrorist Liaison Officer) who provides expert guidance and support regarding emerging threats from national and international terrorism & Extremism. The CTLO has provided support, security advice and reassurance to locally elected representatives. CT Awareness and PREVENT training has been carried out over the last period with partners and other agencies such as UWS staff, KIBBLE Paisley staff, ENGAGE, BARNARDOS, WCS students. CTSA training was carried out with BRAEHEAD security and other shop staff. This consisted of national CT products such as ScAN and ACT. At the Glynhill Hotel in K Division a PROTECT CT Exercise was carried out with key managers from Renfrewshire council in attendance. Further CT Awareness and PREVENT training is planned over the coming months with ENGAGE, BEACONS Art centre staff, Domestic staff at Renfrewshire council. A CT PREVENT Presentation was given to all Head teachers in Renfrewshire with a view of additional CT Awareness training being provided to all school teachers and further details of the PREVENT referral process over the coming period. A Safe Steeple event by CT Emergency planning is being held at the Beacons Art centre Inverclyde with key partners invited. K Division has seen a 22% increase in referrals made to PREVENT since CT Awareness and PREVENT training has begun in 2021. K Division currently has 3 PREVENT nominals that are managed by the Prevent Delivery Unit. Work continues with all Op Bridger and Op Sandbed nominals in K Division with all addresses being offered security surveys and markers added to police systems.

ACQUISITIVE CRIME



Overall crimes of dishonesty have increased by 24.6%, with common theft, fraud and shoplifting (three of the highest volume acquisitive crimes) all continuing to rise. The detection rate achieved was 32.7%, an increase on the previous year of 2.8%.

270 shoplifting crimes have been recorded – an increase of 36.4% on the previous year. However the detection rate has fallen by 6.3 percentage points to 53.3%.

Housebreaking crimes (including attempts) decreased by 20.3% on the previous year, to a total of 47 crimes. While over half of all recorded HB crimes involved dwelling houses, housebreaking crimes to Renfrewshire homes have fallen by over 16% on the previous year. The HB detection rate is 19.1%, a decrease of 4.6 percentage points.

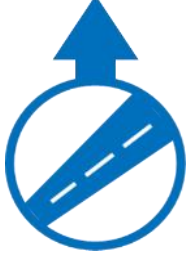
Acquisitive crimes targeting motor vehicles have fallen by 31.3% on the previous year, to a total of 88 crimes. Thefts of motor vehicles continue to account for the highest proportion of motor vehicle crime (n=32). There continues to be a focus on proactive response and preventative work in Renfrewshire & Inverclyde Division to tackle the emerging trend of the keyless thefts of motor vehicles. The motor vehicle acquisitive crime detection rate is 50%, a decrease of 2.2 percentage points on the previous year.

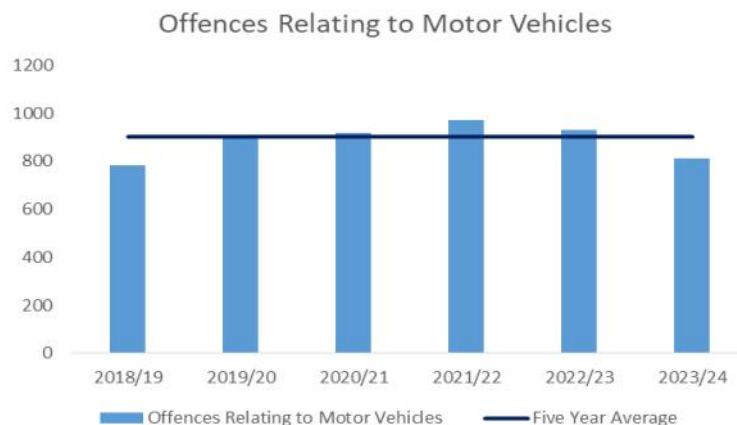
CYBER & DIGITAL CRIME

Cyber-enabled crime continues to impact on the communities of Renfrewshire, with analysis suggesting that cyber-enabled frauds remain the most commonly recorded type of cybercrime in Renfrewshire in the reporting period. Over 41% of all reported cybercrimes in Renfrewshire were acquisitive crimes. A range of online frauds and attempted fraud methods were reported, including suspects posing as employees in order to gain access to complainer's online bank accounts and online devices. Other common crimes continue to be internet order frauds, fraudulent cryptocurrency investment schemes and social engineering frauds in which suspects used messaging apps to contact complainers while purporting to be a relative in need of financial assistance, in order to fraudulently induce online payments to be sent to them.

Over 23% of the overall number of recorded cybercrimes were miscellaneous offences including threatening and abusive communications, while cyber-enabled sexual offences constituted around 13% of the total. Just under five percent of cybercrimes in Renfrewshire were cyber enabled sexual-extortion crimes.

ROAD SAFETY AND ROAD CRIME

Road Traffic Casualties		2022/23	2023/24
	Number of persons killed on our roads	0	1
	Number of persons seriously injured	8	16
	Number of persons slightly injured	19	13
	Number of children seriously injured	2	2
Road Traffic Data from 01/04/2023 to 30/06/2023			



Overall, road casualties have increased by three on the previous year, to a total of 30. Road fatalities increased from zero to one year-on-year, serious injuries have risen from eight to 16, while slight injuries have fallen by six, to a total of 13. While no children have been killed on Renfrewshire's roads, two have been seriously injured in the current reporting year - the same figure as last year.

Offences relating to motor vehicles have fallen by 12.8% on the previous year, to a total of 813. The detection rate for offences relating to motor vehicles is 85.2%, a fall of 3.1 percentage points on the previous year.

Drink and drug driving offences have decreased by 23.2% on the previous year, to a total of 43. While speeding offences have fallen from 177 last year to 133 this year, a drop of 24.9%.

PUBLIC CONFIDENCE: COMPLAINTS & USER SATISFACTION

COMPLAINTS ABOUT THE POLICE

From 01/04/2023 - 30/06/2023

Table: Complaints and allegations received in the Renfrewshire Council area, by Period (Apr – Jun)

	TOTAL COMPLAINT CASES RECEIVED			TOTAL NUMBER OF ALLEGATIONS RECEIVED		
	YTD	LYTD	% Change	YTD	LYTD	% Change
Renfrewshire Council	47	62	-24.2%	63	101	-37.6%

Table: Allegations received in the Renfrewshire Council area, by Type and Period (Apr – Jun)

Allegation Category and Type	PYTD	YTD	% change from PYTD
On Duty - TOTAL	71	41	-42.3%
Assault	2	4	100.0%
Discriminatory Behaviour	0	1	x
Excessive Force	8	3	-62.5%
Incivility	18	6	-66.7%
Irregularity in Procedure	39	25	-35.9%
Neglect of Duty	1	1	0.0%
Oppressive Conduct/Harassment	0	1	x
Other - Criminal	1	0	-100.0%
Other - Non Criminal	1	0	-100.0%
Unlawful/Unnecessary Arrest or Detention	1	0	-100.0%
Quality Of Service - TOTAL	30	22	-26.7%
Policy/Procedure	4	5	25.0%
Service Delivery	8	6	-25.0%
Service Outcome	18	11	-38.9%
Grand Total	101	63	-37.6%

A total of 47 complaint cases and 63 allegations have been received in Renfrewshire in the reporting period. 41 allegations were 'On Duty' with a further 22 relating to quality of service.

PUBLIC CONFIDENCE

From 01/05/2022 - 31/03/2023

66.7% of respondents to the 'Your Police' survey reported that they felt very or fairly safe in their local area. 36.4% agreed, or strongly agreed that they had confidence in the police in their local area. 50% of Renfrewshire respondents felt that the police were doing a good job in the local area. While 58.3% strongly agreed that they had respect for the local police. Your Police survey results indicate that some local residents feel Renfrewshire Police could be doing better by having more officers on patrol and more visibility. Issues which were highlighted which continue to cause concern in the local community include antisocial behaviour, housebreaking, speeding motorists and a lack of police resources.

LOCAL POLICING PRIORITY OUTCOMES – CASE STUDIES

With the lighter evenings of the summer now in place the Community Policing teams have been engaged with the “It’ll Cost You!” programme. This initiative is a collaboration between Police Scotland, local authorities and alcohol producers and retailers with the aim to raise awareness of the damaging effects and criminal nature of buying alcohol for under 18s. It has seen an increase in patrols in and around identified hotspots in an attempt to reduce attempted purchases of alcohol for under 18s.”

Across the last quarter the community policing teams have continued to deliver the annual programme of safety inputs to local schools (both primary and secondary) and nurseries. The inputs cover a wide range of subjects and are targeted towards age appropriate year groups.

In April 2023 the Community Policing team organised the Annual Renfrewshire Schools Football Tournament, the competition held at the On-X Sports centre in Linwood and was sponsored and supported by local businesses including Tesco's, Linstone Housing and both Linwood and Houston Community Councils. St Mirren Football Club sent representation for the awards ceremony. The aim of this annual event is to help build relationships between young people and the Police.

Additional youth engagement also took place in May through the representation of Community Policing officers at the multi-agency Renfrewshire ‘Safe Kids’ initiative. The event held at the St. Mirren football club stadium with the police focus on Online Safety and Bullying.

Throughout the last quarter Community officers were also involved with Operation SMEW a multi-agency SEPA led operation that focussed on unlawful use of landfill site in Renfrewshire.

With the opening of the largest Asylum hotel in Scotland in Erskine, the Community Officers have been engaged in a continuous programme of service user engagement by making themselves available at regular drop-in sessions at the hotel whereby the residents can informally engage with officers who can provide advice and a range of matters related to Policing in Scotland.

The month of June also saw the formation of the new Preventions and Interventions Department within K Division. This department comprises of many functions and responsibilities including but not limited to: developing and strengthening partnerships and networks; liaising with the National Partnership, Preventions and Community Wellbeing Division to deliver policies around vulnerable people, anti-social behaviour and educational programmes; developing preventions activities; and exchanging and developing ideas between police and partners.

FORTHCOMING INITIATIVES

An initial focus of the department is conducting work around repeat missing persons and getting the groundwork in place for the implementation of the Philomena Protocol which Police Scotland has adopted. The national Philomena Protocol initiative, aims to help locate a young person as quickly as possible when they are missing from care. The scheme enables partner agencies to record on a dedicated form, vital information about the young person which can be used to locate them. The intention is that if a child in care should then go missing the partner agency can quickly supply Police Scotland with a copy of the form which speeds up the response time. The police officer seconded to Kibble has been progressing the implementation of the protocol which builds on the best practice that she has achieved already within Kibble around prevention of absconding, and actions to be taken when absconding does take place. This has been invaluable in terms of improving the relationship between both organisations, and bridging the gaps with the young people accommodated there. Another focus has been progressing missing person inputs to hospital settings in Renfrewshire. At the start of July the team delivered an input to nurses at the RAH on how police and NHS can work together to prevent people going missing from hospitals. The input was very well received and plans are in place to deliver these on a regular basis to NHS staff within the hospital. We hope that this multi-agency approach to community safety will bring about long term improvements which cannot be achieved by police action alone.



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Local Fire and Rescue Service Plan Priorities

The Local Fire and Rescue Service Plan has been developed to set out the priorities and objectives within Renfrewshire and allows our local authority partners to scrutinise the performance outcomes of these priorities. We will continue to work closely with our partners in Renfrewshire to ensure we are all **“Working Together for a Safer Scotland”** through targeting risks to our communities at a local level.

The plan has been developed to complement key partnership activity embedded across Renfrewshire Community Plan and associated Delivery and Thematic plans. Through partnership working we will seek to deliver continuous improvement in our performance and effective service delivery in our area of operations.

The Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Renfrewshire identified six areas for demand reduction and is subject to regular monitoring and reporting through the Police / Fire and Rescue Committee. A summary of the priorities and current activity is detailed below with further detail and analysis contained within this performance report.

	Accidental Dwelling Fires	Accidental Dwelling Fire Casualties	Unintentional Injury and Harm	Deliberate Fire Setting	Non-Domestic Fire Safety	Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals
Bishopton, Bridge of Weir and Langbank	1	0	2	10	0	13
Erskine and Inchinnan	2	0	9	12	1	31
Houston, Crosslee and Linwood	2	0	0	16	0	16
Johnstone North, Kilbarchan, Howwood, Lochwinnoch	4	0	1	19	3	10
Johnstone South and Elderslie	3	0	1	25	0	11
Paisley East and Central	1	0	1	12	1	20
Paisley Northeast and Ralston	2	0	1	5	2	13
Paisley Northwest	10	0	7	21	2	46
Paisley Southeast	1	0	3	4	1	15
Paisley Southwest	1	0	3	11	1	9
Renfrew North and Braehead	3	0	2	15	1	25
Renfrew South and Gallowhill	6	2	1	9	0	28
Total Incidents	36	2	31	159	12	237
Year on Year Change	◆ 3%	◆ 100%	◆ 11%	● -27%	● -40%	◆ 4%
3 Year Average Change	▲ -2%	● -48%	◆ 24%	▲ -4%	● -12%	◆ 22%

About the statistics within this report

The activity totals and other statistics quoted within this report are published in the interests of transparency and openness. They are provisional in nature and subject to change as a result of ongoing quality assurance and review. Because all statistics quoted are provisional there may be a difference in the period totals quoted in our reports after local publication which result from revisions or additions to the data in our systems. The Scottish Government publishes official statistics each year which allow for comparisons to be made over longer periods of time.

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▲ Activity levels have reduced by up to 5%

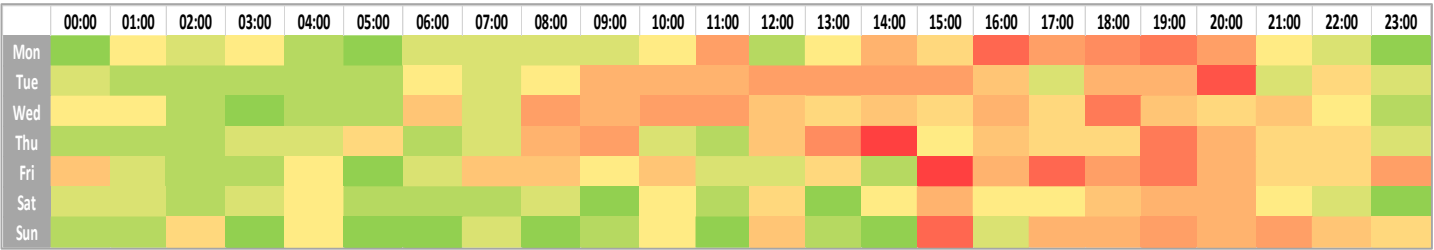
◆ Activity levels have increased overall

Renfrewshire Activity Summary

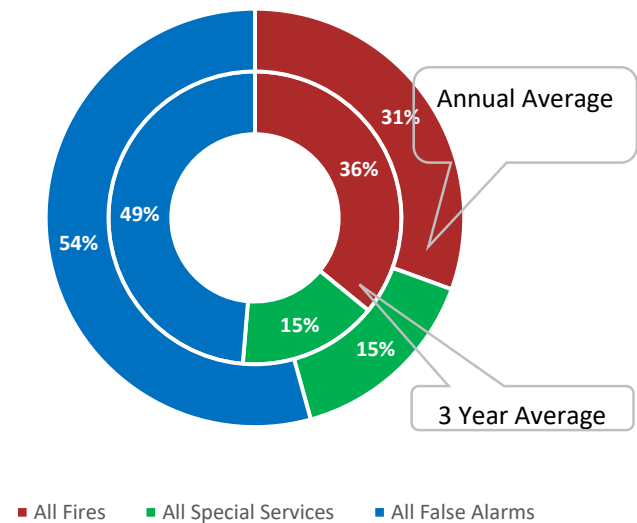


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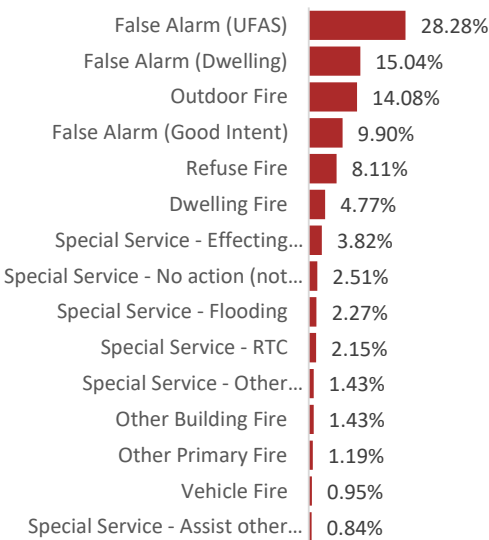
Activity by Time of Day



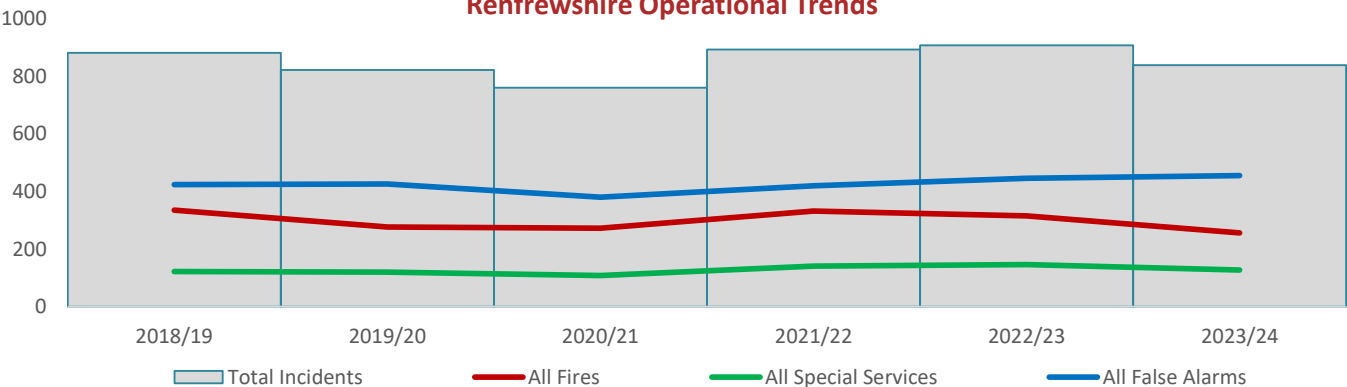
Incidents by Classification



Top 15 Incidents Types by %



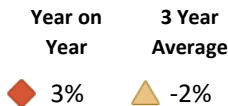
Renfrewshire Operational Trends



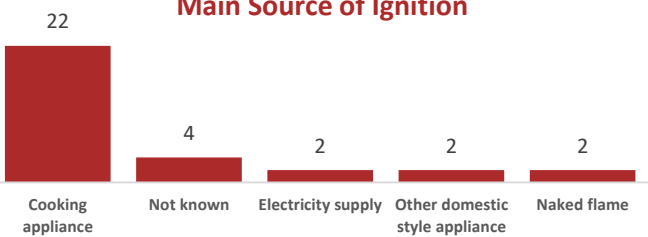
Domestic Safety - Accidental Dwelling Fires



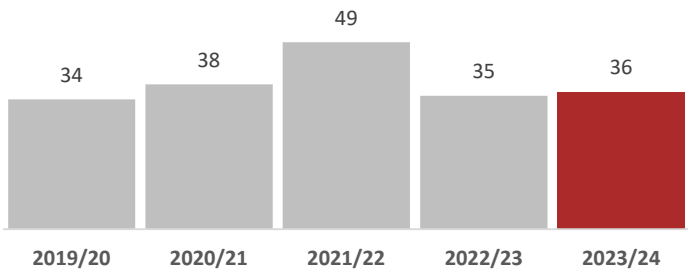
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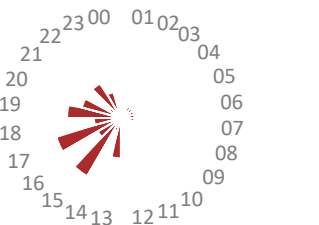
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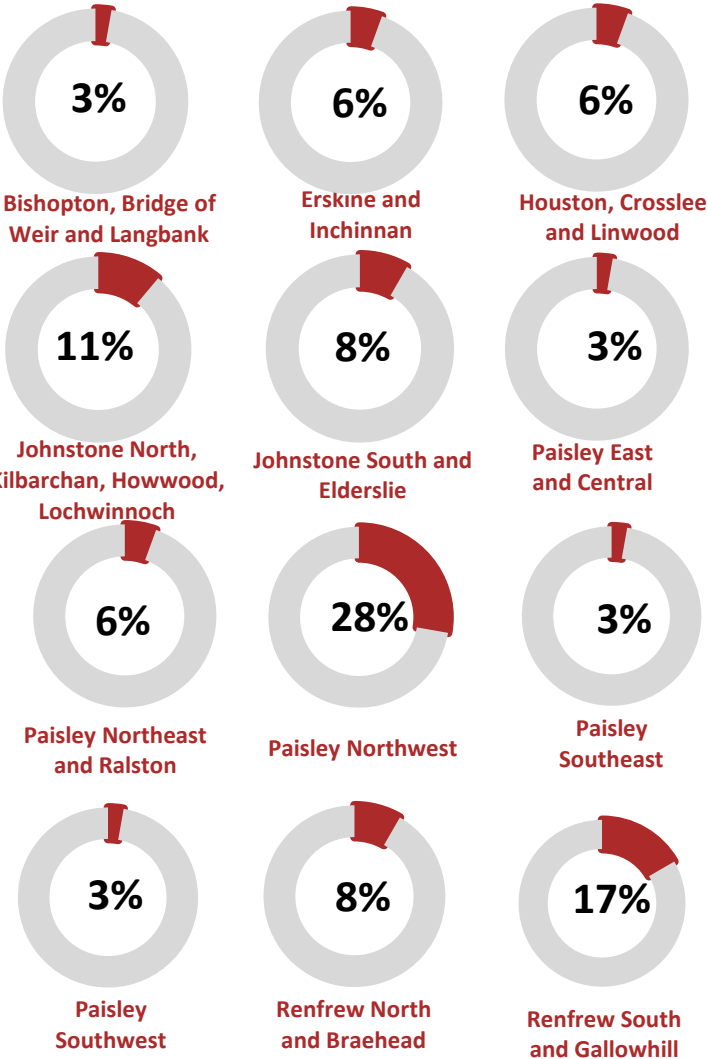
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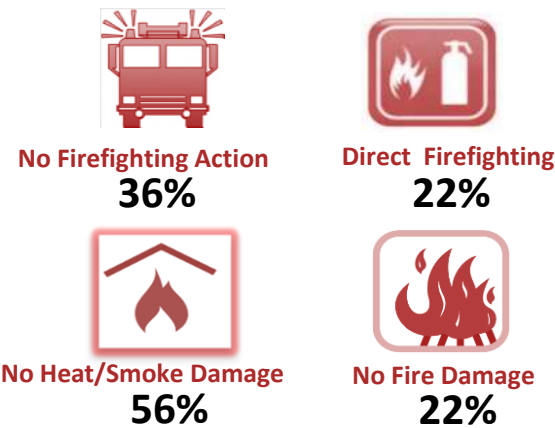
Accidental Dwelling Fires by Time of Day



Accidental Dwelling Fires Activity by Ward (% share)



Severity of Accidental Dwelling Fires



Human Factors

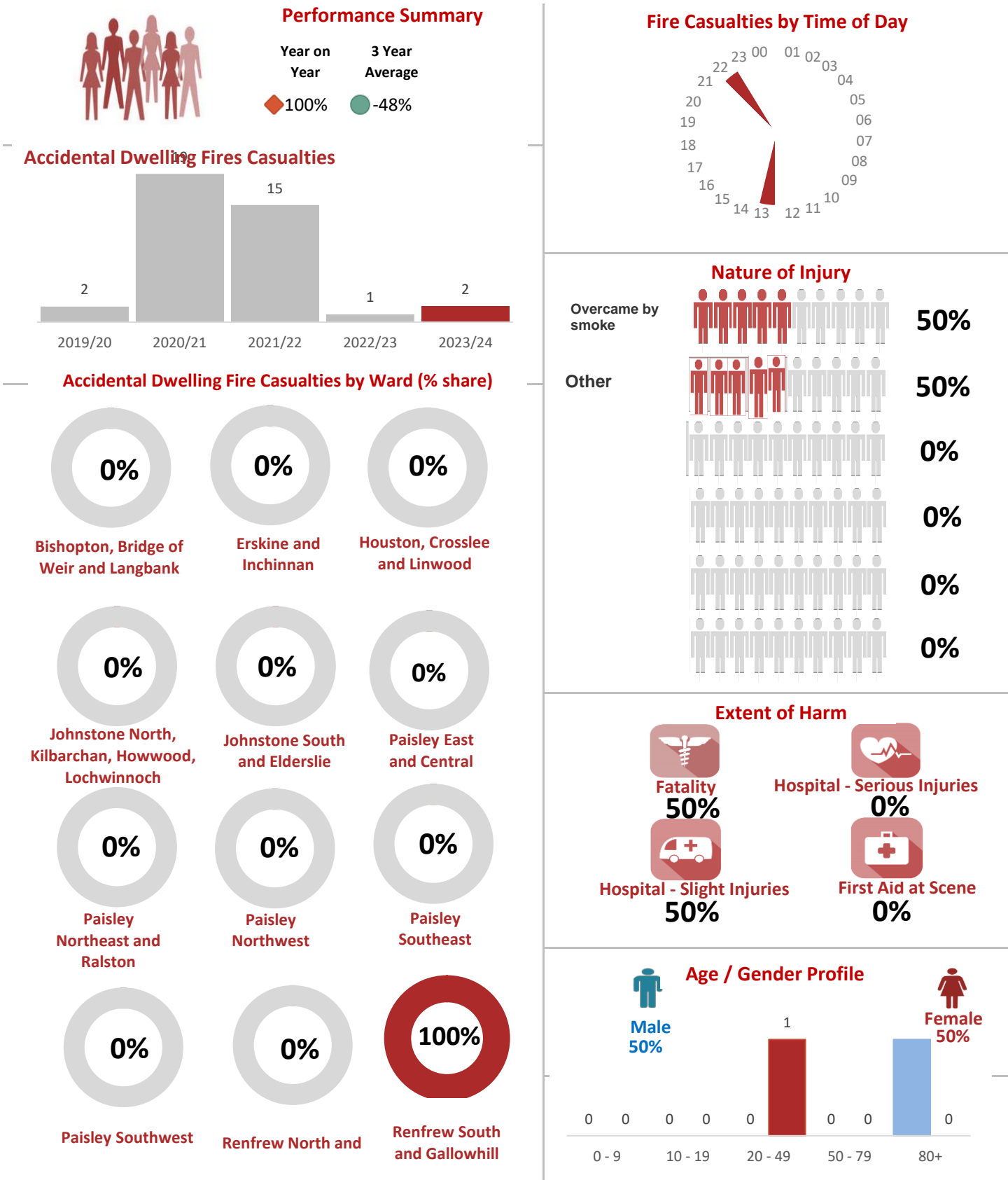


Automatic Detection & Actuation



Accidental Dwelling Fires show an increase of 3% (1 incident) from Q1 22/23. Cooking remains the most common source of ignition within Renfrewshire accounting for 22 of the accidental dwelling fires. 36% (13) of the incidents required no firefighting action., 33% (12) were due to distraction and 11% (4) were due to alcohol/drug impairment. 25 of the 36 incidents had detection installed and 80% (20) of them operated and raised the alarm.

Domestic Safety - Accidental Dwelling Fire Casualties



Fire Casualties have increased by 1 on the same period last year. One incident resulted in a fatality.

Unintentional Injury and Harm



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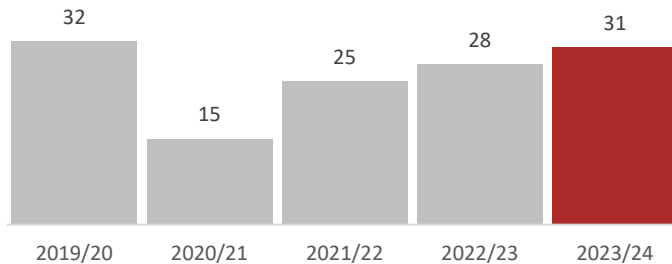
Year on
Year

11%

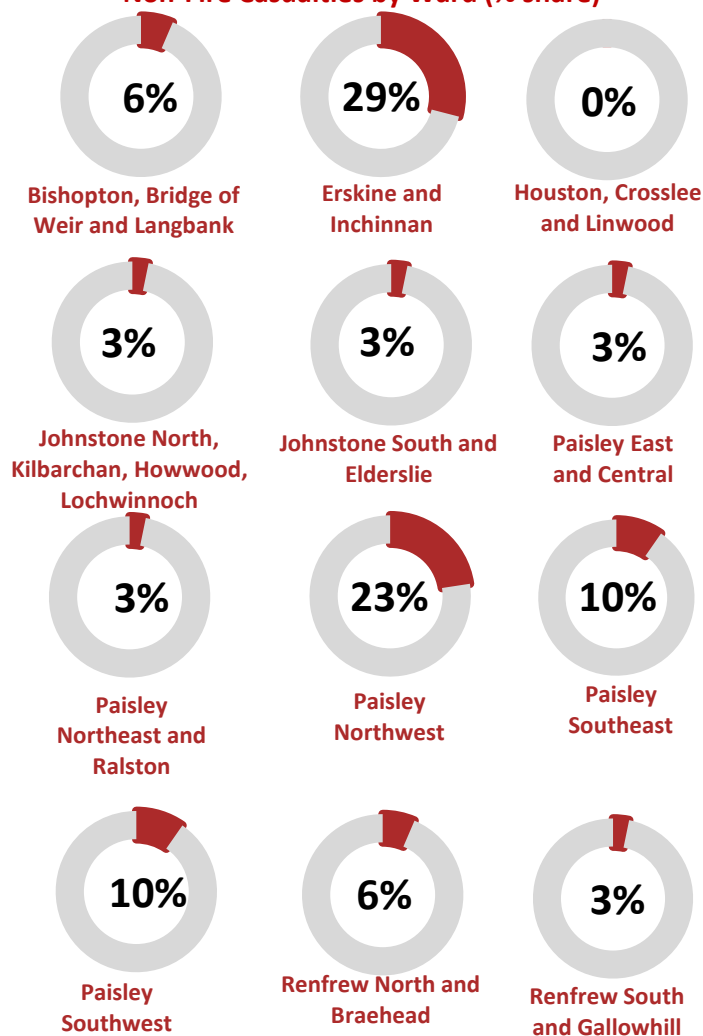
3 Year
Average

24%

Non-Fire Casualties

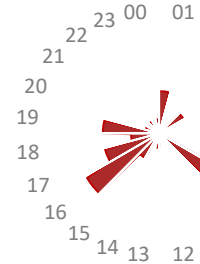


Non-Fire Casualties by Ward (% share)

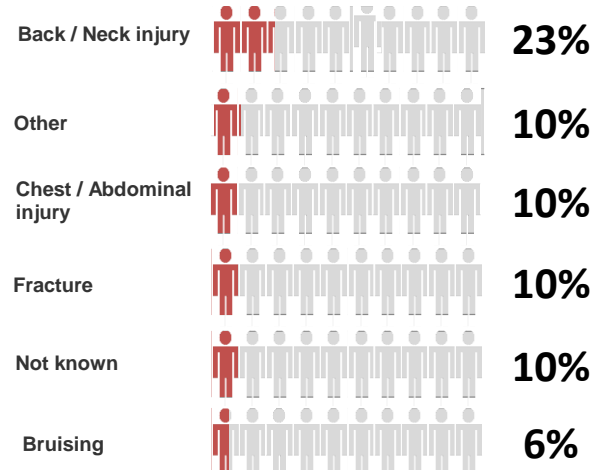


Non Fire Casualties increased by 3 from the same period last year to a total of 31. 52% (16) of the casualties were as a result of a Road Traffic Collision. Incidents involving Assisting other Agencies accounted for 42% (13) of all activity. 2 fatalities were recorded in this period.

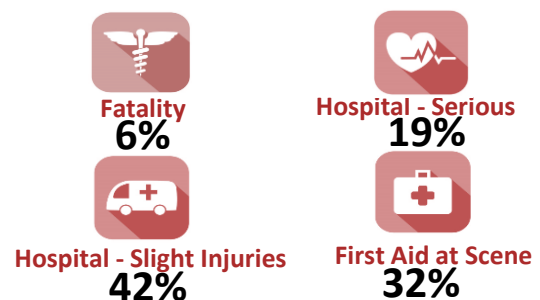
Non-Fire Casualties by Time of Day



Nature of Injury



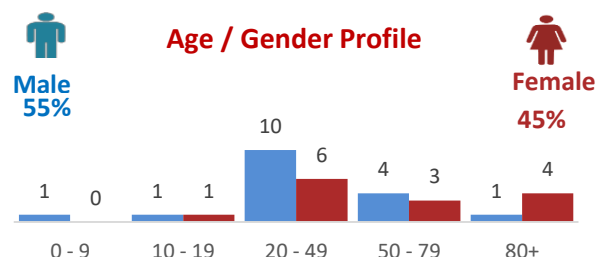
Extent of Harm



Non-Fire Emergency Activity



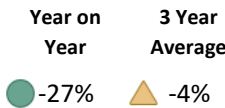
Age / Gender Profile



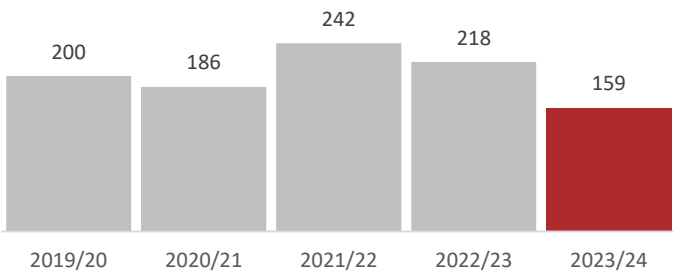
Deliberate Fire Setting



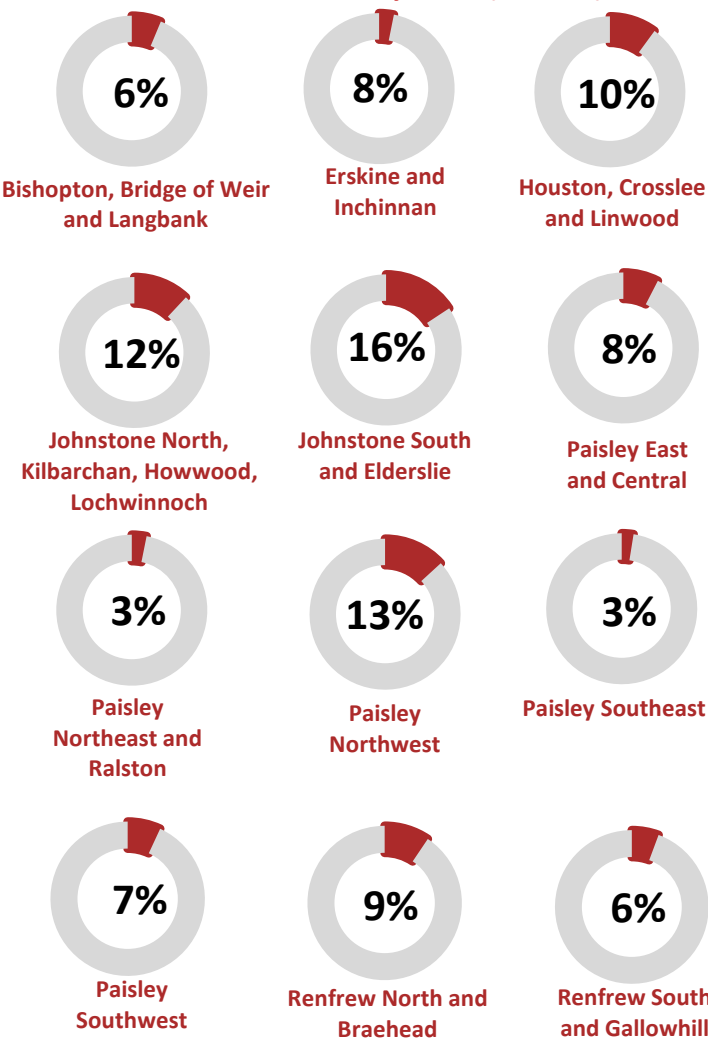
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Deliberate Fires

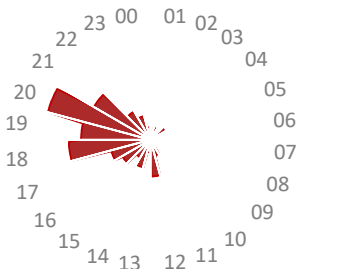


Deliberate Fires by Ward (% share)

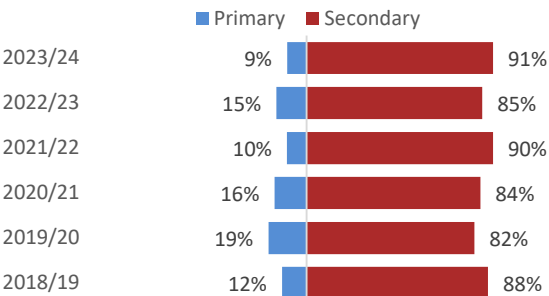


Deliberate Fire Setting shows a decrease of 27% (59) incidents from Q1 last year. Secondary fires accounted for 91% (145) of all incidents in this indicator.

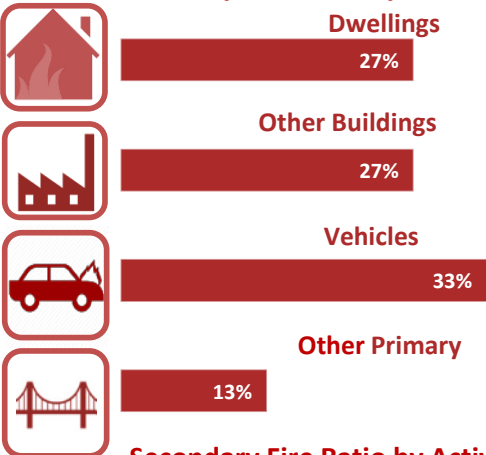
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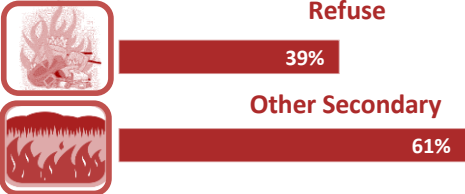
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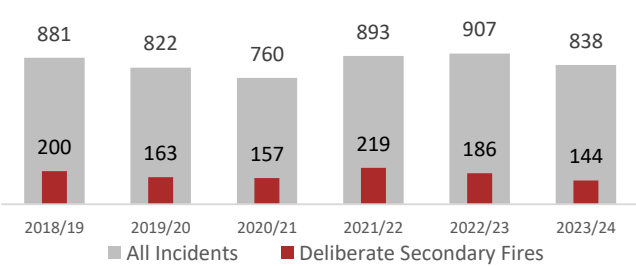
Primary Fire Ratio by Activity Type



Secondary Fire Ratio by Activity Type



Deliberate Fires Compared to Operational Activity



Definitions

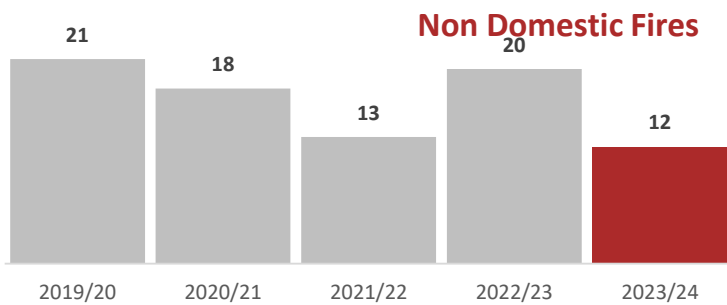
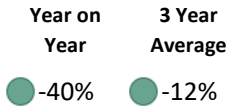
Primary Fires - all fires in buildings, vehicles and outdoor structures or any fire involving casualties, rescues or fires attended by five or more appliances

Secondary Fires - fire incidents that did not occur at a primary location, was not a chimney fire in an occupied building, did not involve casualties (otherwise categorised as a primary incident) and was attended by four or fewer appliances.

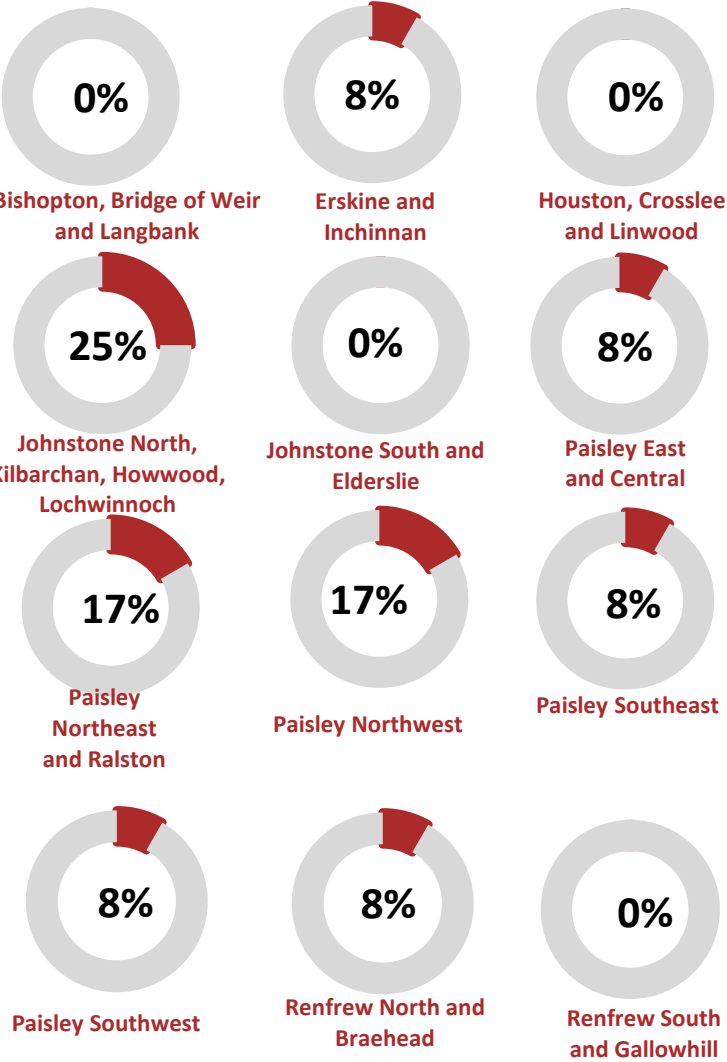
Non Domestic Fire Safety



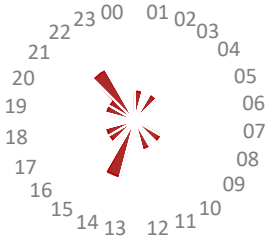
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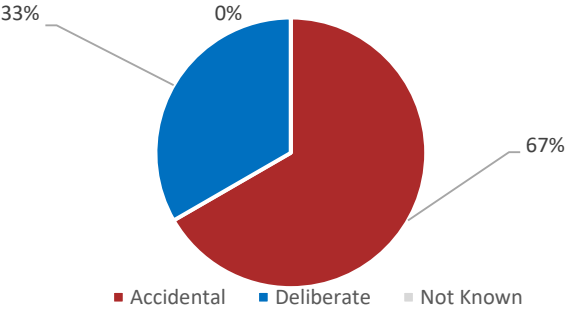
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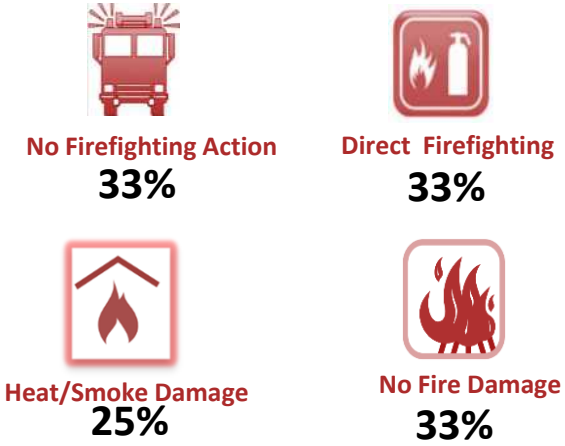
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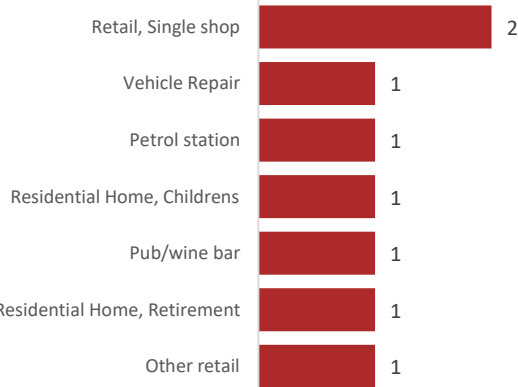
Non-Domestic Fires by Nature of Origin



Severity of Non-Domestic Fires



Non-Domestic Fires by Premises Type



Non Domestic Fire Safety has reduced by 40% (8)to 12 incidents compared to the same period last year. 33% (4) required no firefighting and 33% (4) resulted in no fire damage.

Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals



Performance Summary

Year on
Year



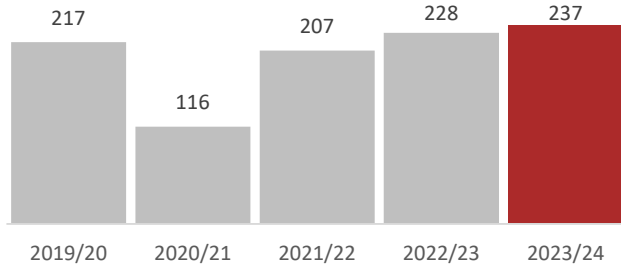
4%

3 Year
Average

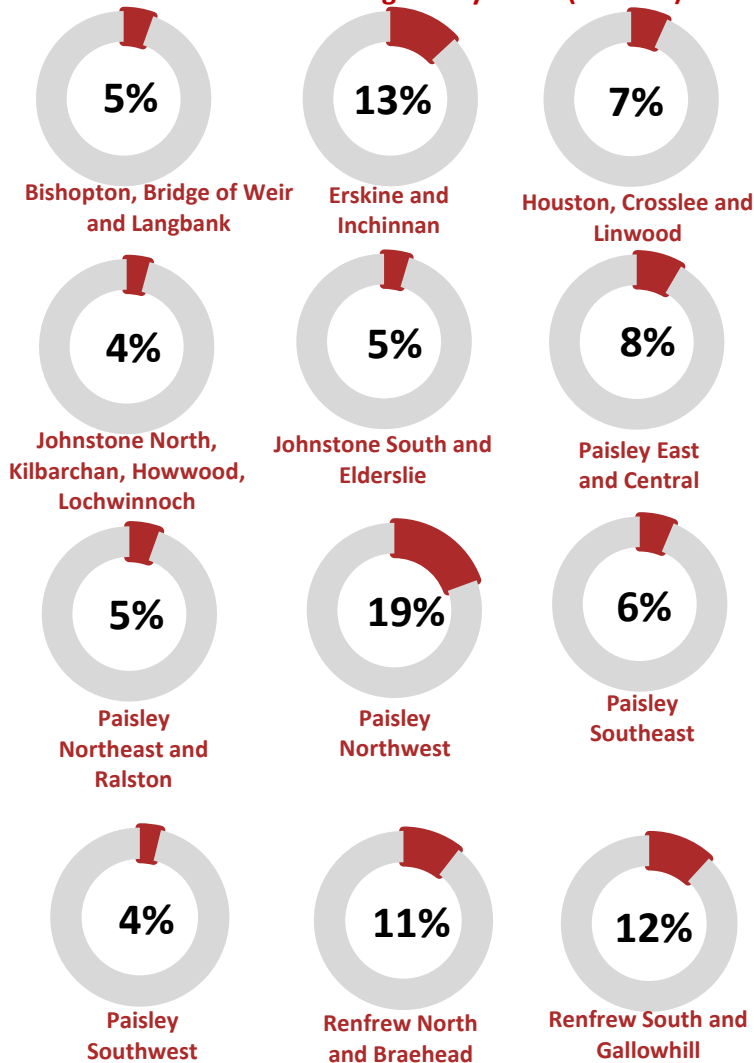


22%

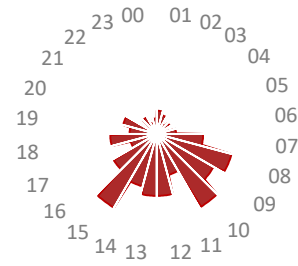
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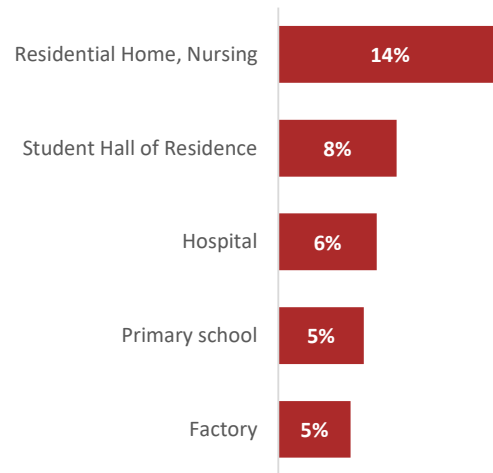
Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals by Ward (% share)



Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals by Time of Day



Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals - Top 5 Premises



Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals Activity Ratios



UFAS Percentage Against all Incidents

28%



UFAS Percentage Against all False Alarms

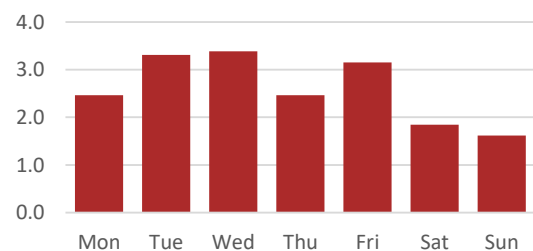
52%



Human Influence and Alarm Activations

53%

Average Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals per Day



UFAS incidents have increased by 4% (9) compared to the same period last year. It is anticipated that this will see a reduction in the next reporting period following the implementation of SFRSs UFAS Strategy.