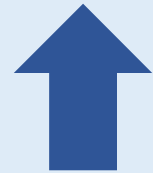


Keeping People Safe in Renfrewshire

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

Violence & Antisocial Behaviour



FYTD (April to June 2019) Group 1 Crimes of Violence were up 17.4% on the previous year, with 12 additional victims.

Since 1 April 2019, 536 crimes have been identified via police proactivity.

There were 36 more common assaults (+8.8%) and 163 fewer disorder complaints (-6.7%). YTD 65 common assaults targeted police officers and a further 8 were against other emergency workers.

Overall upward trend in both serious & minor violence.

The detection rate for robberies is up to 85.0%, however that for serious assaults has decreased to a current rate of 67.6%.



Public Protection



Recorded sexual crime continues to follow an increasing trend up by 1.9% compared to the previous year.

33% of reported sexual offences in the current year are non-recent in nature, down from 47% the previous year. Sexual crimes with a domestic element decreased by 8% on the previous year.

Victims aged 11 - 15 years at the time of the offence constituted the highest proportion of sexual crimes (37%), with 58% of these reports being non-recent and 23% being cyber-enabled.

The detection rate of sexual crime YTD is 56.9% - down from 76.6% in the previous year.



There were 140 reported missing person incidents in Renfrewshire / Inverclyde, of which 38.5% involved Looked After and Accommodated Children (LAAC). As such, Children's Units featured as the locus from which people went missing in 36% of cases. In 48.5% of incidents persons were missing for less than 12 hrs in total. 51% of all MP's reported were female. Repeat missing person incidents largely involved children under the age of 16 years.

The number of unique incidents involving an adult or child concern decreased by 5.7%.

612 domestic abuse incidents have been reported to the police, an increase of 21.9% on the previous year. Meanwhile, 367 crimes and offences were raised as a result of reported incidents, representing an increase of 33.9% on the previous year.

28 complaints have been received in relation to the Police within Renfrewshire (18.5 complaints per 10,000 incidents). A total of 37 allegations have been made.

Renfrewshire

Local Policing Plan (2017 – 2020)
Reporting Period – 1 April '19 – 30 June '19

Major Crime & Terrorism



In 2019/20, 29 persons linked to serious and organised crime were arrested, in addition to £108,268 being seized under Proceeds of Crime Act legislation.

There were 30 detections for drug supply offences, a decrease of 23.1% on the previous year. Cannabis, cocaine and heroin featured most predominantly in drug supply offences, being involved in 26%, 26% and 21% of offences respectively.

YTD there have been 4 suspected drug related deaths, all awaiting toxicology results. 75% of all deaths involved males aged between 29 and 46 years.



127 crimes were designated as 'cyber-crimes' via application of the relevant cyber-crime marker, in 2019/20. Reporting of cyber-crimes has increased significantly on same period in 2018/19 due to encouraged reporting and social media campaigns. Reported offences included online credit and debit card fraud, menacing and indecent communications offences, and threats to disclose indecent images.

Acquisitive Crime



Shoplifting increased by 54 crimes to a total of 272 - an increase of 24.8%. Paisley town centre is the primary hotspot location.



90 housebreakings (inc attempts) - down by 8.2%, with 8 fewer crimes. Dwelling houses account for 49% of HBs.

YTD is showing an increase of 3.0% in the volume of recorded crimes of dishonesty. While the majority of acquisitive crime categories fell, this decline was offset by an increase in the volume of crimes of fraud and theft by shoplifting.



There have been 2 reported bogus crimes, down from 6 in the previous year. Both victims YTD were elderly and infirm. One report relates to a bogus builder targeting a repeat complainer who has been subject of 3 previous bogus crimes all at the same locus. The other report was a distraction theft, whereby a male attended purporting to be from the water board, gained entry to the locus and stole the complainer's savings.

Road Safety & Road Crime



Note: Figures below are provisional and subject to upward revision:-

YTD, there have been no road fatalities occurring within Renfrewshire, one fewer than last year. Serious and slight road injuries also decreased by 10.0% (one less victim), and 28.6% (10 fewer) respectively.



Dangerous driving, speeding, seat belt and mobile phone offences have increased compared to the same period last year (up by 5.3%, 42.9%, 20.0% and 62.5% respectively). Meanwhile disqualified driving and document offences have decreased (down 22.2% and 52.5%).

Our Renfrewshire is fair: addressing the inequalities that limit life chances

Divisional Recognition Award Ceremony – In June 2019 Police Scotland ran a Laughology Menopause Awareness Workshop attended by officers from Renfrewshire and force wide. Laughology aims to provide a greater insight in to the menopause, provide practical solutions, promote positive behaviours that supports positive thinking, raises awareness and highlights and informs both men and women about the real challenges and myths about the female menopause. The first laughology workshops proved to be a huge success with 88% describing the event as engaging, 72% enjoyable and 100% of attendees stating they would recommend attending the event to others. This has a positive benefit to our officers within Renfrewshire to promote positive behaviours and wellbeing.

Mental Health Awareness week – In May 2019, the Mental Health Foundation hosted Mental Health Awareness Week designed to raise awareness and understanding of mental health, and this year's event took place from 13th- 19th May 2019. During this week, the campaign focussed on Body Image – how we think and feel about our bodies. Mental Health problems can affect everyone, and in Police Scotland, we believe that mental health is everyone's business. Throughout the week, we published a different article each day to help explore the issue of body image and to raise awareness of mental health.

Major Incident Public Portal trialed in Police Scotland – In May 2019 Police Scotland joined forces throughout the UK to utilise the Major Incident Public Portal (MIPP). MIPP is a website that will provide our officers and staff a platform to share and receive information on all major incidents including terror attacks, major disasters and high profile incidents such as murders. Individuals send information, reports and messages directly to the police casualty bureau and major incident teams. Witnesses have the ability to assist with enquiries and upload video footage and images directly to Police Scotland as part of a national online reporting tool for major incidents. This will greatly benefit officers within Renfrewshire when dealing with major incidents and allow members of the public a platform to provide information to officers to assist with enquiries.

International Unit Workshops – At the beginning of July 2019, The International Unit hosted a series of workshops intended to increase officer's knowledge surrounding International policing tools and to enable them to identify the best route for an international investigation at the earliest stage. The workshops focus on International Investigations, the use of Interpol, the potential loss of the Schengen Information System (SIS II) as a result of Brexit.

K Division Counter Terrorism Champions - K Division recently identified a number of officers who expressed an interest in becoming Counter Terrorism Champions for Renfrewshire and Inverclyde division. On 30th May 2019, K Division's Counter Terrorism Liaison Officer held a training day for all 16 CT Champions which involved explaining the champions' roles and responsibilities along with an ACT awareness input. Further training days have taken place with CT Champions taking on information and disseminating key points to their frontline colleagues to ensure a greater link between Counter Terrorism Policing and front line officers to ensure vigilance and awareness.

Serious and Organised Crime/Violence and Disorder – In July 2019 officers executed a drug search warrant at a property in the West End area of Paisley whereby they recovered a large quantity of cannabis plants which were spread over 4 growing areas. A male was within the property and upon seeing police barricaded himself behind a door. The male thereafter brandished a shovel at officers and made good his escape. Police gave chase and apprehended the male a short time later. A 22 year old male was arrested and charged with various offences. Cannabis plants with an estimated street value of £315,000 were seized from the property.

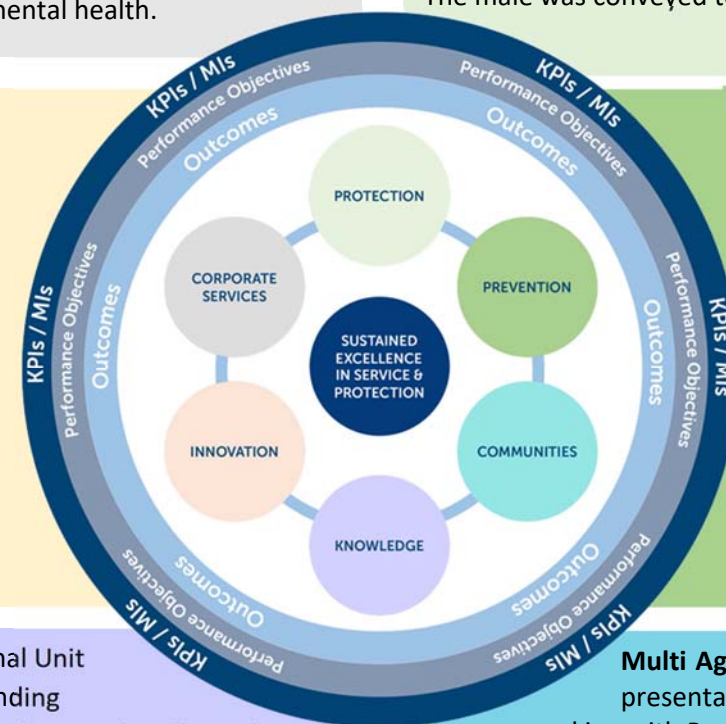
Protecting the public – Vulnerable Person – On 26th June 2019, police received a call to A737 near to Kilbarchan where it was reported a male was hanging over roadway at locus on the wrong side of the bridge barrier. Police attended immediately to ensure traffic was stopped on both carriageways making the area sterile. A local officer approached the male on the bridge whereby he struck up a rapport, eventually talking him to safety. The officer thereafter walked male off bridge in order for him receive the required medical attention. The male was conveyed to RAH for CPN assessment and a VPD was submitted to ensure all relevant agencies

Acquisitive Crime – During June 2019 Renfrewshire experienced a number of thefts, primarily theft of lead from commercial premises, therefore an action plan targeting acquisitive crime, particularly theft of lead, was executed by local community policing officers. Officers carried out additional patrols around hotspot areas whereby they caught 3 males in the act of stealing lead from the roof of a local bowling club. All 3 were arrested and held in custody.

Youth Disorder and Anti-Social Behaviour – During the months of May and June 2019 officers within Renfrewshire created an action plan, working alongside partner agencies to tackle the youth anti-social behaviour within the Glennifer Braes area. The action plan included extra patrols, school talks, license premises visits in relation to proxy purchases, joint visits and patrols with the Renfrewshire Council wardens and Youth teams, which resulted in a reduction in calls and youths frequenting the area.

Multi Agency Partnership working – During the month of March, Community Officers conducted presentations to local schools in relation to a weapon carrying prevention plan. This involved working with Partnership agencies such as Crimestoppers, Scottish Ambulance Service and local authorities delivering presentations to approx. 1400 secondary age children. A poll revealed that on average, 40% of those present indicated that they know someone who carried a knife. A Weapons action plan was promoted during this activity, with positive feedback received from all school management teams.

Multi Agency Partnership Working – Counter Terrorism Local engagement - K Division's Counter Terrorism Liaison Officer delivered a briefing to school teachers at a local high school, ahead of a school trip to Paris. The presentation included a current terrorism threat update, along with relevant personal safety advice and guidance in order to provide the teachers with a level of comfort whilst escorting the pupils on their trip. The presentation was designed to encourage vigilance, emphasising the need for staff to be alert but not alarmed by the current international terrorism threat.



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