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POLICE, FIRE & RESCUE AND SAFER COMMUNITIES BOARD FRIDAY, 8TH FEBRUARY, 2019

A MEETING of the POLICE, FIRE & RESCUE AND SAFER COMMUNITIES BOARD will be held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS, NEWTOWN ST BOSWELLS on FRIDAY, 8TH FEBRUARY, 2019 at 9.30 AM

J. J. WILKINSON,
Clerk to the Council,

1 February 2019

BUSINESS		
1.	Apologies for Absence	
2.	Order of Business	
3.	Declaration of Interest	
4.	Minutes and Matters Arising (Pages 3 - 10) Consider Minute of Meeting held on 9 November 2018 (Copy attached).	2 mins
5.	Progress Reports/Updates on Service Matters	
	(a) Police (Pages 11 - 20) Performance Report (Copy attached) Update on Service Matters Police Chief Superintendent Lesley Clark	30 mins
	(b) Fire & Rescue (Pages 21 - 48) Performance Report (Copy attached) Update on Service Matters LSO Stephen Gourlay	30 mins
6.	Safer Communities	30 mins
	(a) Update and Key Activities (Pages 49 - 70) Performance Report by Safer Communities & Justice Manager, Graham Jones. (Copy attached).	

	(b) Proposed Scrutiny Report Structure from 1 April 2019 Briefing Note and Draft Proposed Scrutiny Report (Copies attached).	(Pages 71 - 86)
	(c) 2019/20 Performance Indicator Proposal Presentation by Graham Jones, Safer Communities & Community Justice Manager and Wendy Marsden, Partnership Analyst.	
7.	Presentation - Serious Organised Crime Presentation by PC Anne McNair, SOCG (Divert/Deter) Officer.	30 mins
8.	Any Other Items Previously Circulated	
9.	Any Other Items the Chairman Decides are Urgent	
10.	Dates of Future Meetings The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Friday, 17 May 2019 The following dates have been confirmed by Council for 2019/20:- Friday, 30 August 2019 Friday, 8 November 2019 Friday, 7 February 2020 Friday, 15 May 2020.	2 mins

NOTES

- 1. Timings given above are only indicative and not intended to inhibit Members' discussions.**
- 2. Members are reminded that, if they have a pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest in any item of business coming before the meeting, that interest should be declared prior to commencement of discussion on that item. Such declaration will be recorded in the Minute of the meeting.**

Membership of Committee:- Councillors G. Turnbull (Chairman), D. Moffat, N. Richards, E. Robson, H. Scott, E. Small.
Mr M Dickson - NHS Borders, Mrs J Mulloy- Scottish Borders Housing Network,
Ms M Simpson - Voluntary Sector, Mr J Walzl - Business Sector.

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**SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL
POLICE, FIRE & RESCUE AND SAFER COMMUNITIES BOARD**

MINUTE of Meeting of the POLICE, FIRE & RESCUE AND SAFER COMMUNITIES BOARD held in the Council Chamber, Council Headquarters, Newtown St Boswells on Friday, 9 November, 2018 at 9.30 am

Present:- Councillors G. Turnbull (Chairman), D. Moffat, N. Richards, E. Robson, H. Scott, E. Small, Ms M Simpson - Voluntary Sector and Mr M. Dickson – NHS Borders

Apologies:- Mrs J Mulloy- SBHA, Mr D. Scott – SBC.

In Attendance:- DC Chief Superintendent L Clark, Inspector A Hodges, Police Scotland; Group Manager - M Jaffray, LSO S Gourlay, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service; Ms W Marsden, Partnership Intelligence Analyst SBC, Mr G Jones, Safer Communities & Community Justice Manager SBC, Ms S. Smith, Communities & Partnership Manager SBC, F Walling, Democratic Services Officer SBC.

1. **APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIR**

The Chairman invited nominations for the position of Vice Chairman of the Board. Councillor Scott nominated himself and was seconded by Councillor Richards. Councillor Moffat nominated himself and was seconded by Councillor Robson. On a show of hands Councillor Scott was appointed.

DECISION

AGREED that Councillor Scott be appointed as Vice-Chairman of the Police, Fire & Rescue and Safer Communities Board.

2. **MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING**

2.1 There had been circulated copies of the Minute of the meeting held on 31 August 2018.

DECISION

APPROVED the Minute.

2.2 **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTE**

With reference to paragraph 3.2 of the Minute, Chief Superintendent Clark advised that a briefing on the armed response deployment model would be given to the Board early next year. The Chairman emphasised the importance of receiving an early update on the condition and funding of CCTV across the Borders.

DECISION

NOTED

3. **PROGRESS REPORTS/UPDATES ON SERVICE MATTERS - POLICE SCOTLAND**

- 3.1 Chief Superintendent Clark gave an overview of service matters and an update on recent appointments. She advised that Will Kerr had been appointed as the new Deputy Chief Constable responsible for local policing, Paul Anderson, as Assistant Chief Constable – Local Policing East and Criminal Justice and Superintendent Angus MacInnes, was responsible for partnership work. The Chief Superintendent also referred to the Change Network event which was held recently and included proposed new technological devices and changes at constable level. An update would be arranged for the next meeting. Recent activity included the national response Operation Moonbeam, during the week of Halloween and Bonfire Night, which was well managed and successfully delivered locally. As highlighted in the report there was a challenge in the form of an increase in motorcyclist fatalities in the Borders following accidents in the area. Four of these involved motorcyclists from outwith the area and work was being commissioned to investigate ways of engaging with motorcycle tourism organisations and magazines to raise awareness of risks. Mr Jones confirmed that this was also being discussed at the road safety working group.
- 3.2 Inspector Hodges then presented Police Scotland’s Scrutiny Report for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 September 2018, copies of which had been circulated with the Agenda.
- 3.3 Domestic Abuse – During the period there had been a reduction in domestic abuse incidents which was a positive reflection of partnership working and also of the rollout of new TecSOS devices as part of safety planning. Work with partners through Multi Agency Tasking & Coordination (MATAC) groups was targeting multiple abusers to ensure best outcomes and correct signposting to services.
- 3.4 Road safety – It was disappointing to see a 100% increase in fatalities in the Scottish Borders. Six of these accidents related to motorcycles, four being from riders residing outwith the area. It was hoped that the motorcycle programme introduced into Drivewise this year and the interest in rolling out Drivewise in other council areas would positively impact these figures going forward. Police Scotland had also implemented the programme ‘Lose the Blinkers’ to educate drivers and horse riders about safety on the roads. The initiative ‘Pop-up Bob’, was referred to by Members as being an effective tool against speeding, particularly in rural settlements. Inspector Hodges advised that if Members had requests for use in specific areas this should be communicated to police.
- 3.5 Violent Crime – There had been a 20% reduction in Serious Assault over the period, positively reflecting work being carried out by police and partners to reduce violent crime. The serious assault detection rate for the Scottish Borders was 80%. Deployment plans were being monitored and adapted to ensure robust policing of the night time economy particularly over the Festive period.
- 3.6 Anti-social Behaviour (ASB) – There had been a slight fall in all anti-social behaviour incidents. Police were continuing to work in partnership with the Council to implement the ASB process which successfully targeted prolific offenders. New mobile CCTV cameras had been trialled at various locations to tackle youth ASB. The resource was now available for use across the region to assist with tackling ASB and crime.
- 3.7 Drugs and Alcohol Misuse – Police Scotland were continuing to work to reduce the harm caused by drug and alcohol misuse within the community. This included actively working with the Licensing Board and Licensing Forum to finalise a new licensing policy for the Scottish Borders.
- 3.8 Protecting People – With reference to the 22.8% increase in missing person incidents Inspector Hodges advised that this was a positive reflection on the continued work being carried out by the police and partner agencies in identifying missing persons from an early stage. In response to a question he confirmed that most of the persons reported missing were located. There were no outstanding this year. There was a plethora of reasons for people going missing – all were treated with the same seriousness with relevant referrals

being made to appropriate agencies and trained officers. Police were continuing to pilot the distress Brief Intervention scheme in partnership with NHS Borders and Scottish Association for Mental Health (SAMH). This had resulted in positive intervention for residents in the Scottish Borders.

- 3.9 Acquisitive crime – There was a 27% decrease over the period in housebreaking and theft compared with the same time last year. The detection rate for Acquisitive Crime was 35% and for housebreaking was 23.5%. Information was being shared with Police forces within Northern England and police were continuing to conduct road checks on main arterial routes to detect, disrupt and deter criminals travelling in the area. Continuing use of media outlets, including SB Alert, warned residents about scams and opportunistic thieves in the area.
- 3.10 Demand Analysis – There had been a decrease in the number of crimes reported. However this reduction in crime did not correlate to a reduction in demand for police in the Scottish Borders. A significant proportion of work carried out did not end with a crime report submitted, for example many incidents where concerns for the wellbeing of a person resulted in numerous hours of searching, attending hospitals and completing appropriate referrals to partner agencies for support.
- 3.11 In response to a question about whether Police Scotland were satisfied with the level of data sharing between agencies, Councillor Hodges advised that, compared with other areas, the Scottish Borders had an effective level of data sharing. It was recognised, in discussion about the positive information on Domestic Abuse, that there was an issue about sustainability of the Council's services that supported police in this work. In response to a request for more data on alcohol and substance misuse, Inspector Hodges explained that statistics could be provided if these were considered useful. A gender breakdown could be included. Chief Inspector Clark advised that figures would be provided if available but that a lot of statistics in this area were nationally validated. In noting that racially aggravated crime was slightly up the Chairman asked if a breakdown of hate crimes could be provided. With regard to the issue of assaults on emergency workers, Inspector Hodges emphasised the zero tolerance of this type of behaviour. Part of the Festive plan would be to have an increased officer presence at the BGH. In response to a question in relation to the police Community Action Team, Inspector Hodges believed that the team appeared to be effective in responding to local issues and that the public seemed to be more willing to report Anti-social Behaviour to these officers working at a local level.

DECISION

NOTED:-

- (a) **the report; and**
- (b) **that in future reports data, if available, would be included on drug and alcohol misuse and a breakdown of hate crimes would be provided.**

4. PROGRESS REPORTS/UPDATES ON SERVICE MATTERS - FIRE & RESCUE

- 4.1 There had been circulated copies of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Services (SFRS) Local Plan Performance Report. Local Senior Officer (LSO) Gourlay began the report by explaining that the SFRS Chief Officer was due to retire at the end of March 2019. Interviews would be taking place shortly for his replacement. Positive areas of progress within the Transformation programme included the introduction of new Rapid Response Units in the form of 7 ton trucks with ultra high pressure specialist lances. There were currently 10 units across Scotland predominantly in isolated northern areas, an advantage being that these could be manned with just 4 officers

- 4.2 Group Manager (GM) Jaffray then presented the SFRS Local Plan Performance Report for the period 1 April 2018 to 30 September 2018, copies of which had been circulated with the agenda. He firstly referred to a large fire that had occurred on a farm near Kelso, in September, where additional resources had been brought in which included engines from Northumberland. He thanked all the crews and retained firefighters involved. GM Jaffray went on to identify the headline outputs for the period relating to the SFRS priorities:-
- 4.3 Reduction of 'Dwelling Fires' – SFRS attended 44 dwelling fires over the period, a slight increase of 1 from the same period last year. Seven of the fires were started deliberately. 48% of the fires originated in the kitchen with almost all involving cooking or cooking appliances.
- 4.4 Reduction of 'All Fire Casualties' – There had been 8 fire related casualties so far in 2018. This was the same as the figure for the corresponding period last year. Further analysis showed that five casualties went to hospital for precautionary checks suffering from smoke inhalation. Three casualties received first aid at the scene and required no further treatment.
- 4.5 Reduction of 'All Deliberate Fires Excluding Dwellings' – There had been 82 deliberate fires over the period, a decrease of 33 from the same period last year. Galashiels and District experienced 31% of all deliberate fires across the Scottish Borders, however this was a welcome decrease of 44% for the ward area compared to the same period last year. The majority of these fires involved grass, scrubland and woodland which may partly have been attributable to the prolonged dry period earlier in the year.
- 4.6 Reduction of 'Special Service Road Traffic Collisions' – During the first two quarters of 2018 SFRS had attended 41 Road Traffic Collisions (RTCs), 3 more than the same period last year. There had been 23 RTC related casualties with one fatality during Quarter one. On 13 occasions SFRS used Hydraulic Rescue Equipment to extricate casualties.
- 4.7 Reduction of 'Special Service Casualties' – There were a total of 44 attendances by SFRS at non-fire related incidents: 8 effecting entry; 4 assisting other agencies; 23 RTC casualties; and 9 others including rescues from water, flooding etc.
- 4.8 Reduction of 'False Alarm – Equipment Failure' – The figure contained within the report related to Equipment Failure as this was the cause of the majority of Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals (UFAS) incidents. There had been 484 UFAS incidents in the period, a slight reduction of 4 compared with the same period the previous year. A UFAS champion had been appointed and tasked to analyse statistics and look at trends in an attempt to reduce the number of UFAS calls.
- 4.9 In response to a question about the SFRS 'cardiac arrest' project GM Jaffray advised that this had been stopped in October 2017 and was part of national negotiations. He hoped the initiative would be re-established and expanded; there would be an effort to ensure the stations and officers involved would maintain their skills to support this emergency response.
- 4.10 GM Jaffray then went on to advise on Prevention and Protection Activities. Copies of a report detailing figures from the Quarter 1 July 2018 to 30 September 2018 had been circulated with the agenda. GM Jaffray explained that enforcement audits and home safety visits had veered off ambition targets set in 2014 due to focusing resources on those properties at greatest risk. Fire Safety Enforcement Audits had been carried out on those properties identified as high risk. Although other audits were below target this would be addressed over the coming months with no negative impact on agreed workloads. SFRS were currently reviewing local Home Fire Safety Visit targets, how they were determined and how they were reported. Members of the Board welcomed SFRS partnership working which was outlined in the report. Home Fire Safety Visits were

generated via several pathways involving partner agencies. Referrals from partners were key to identifying individuals most at risk of fire within the home. In response to a question about youth engagement GM Jaffray confirmed that the service was continuing to work with the TD1 youth group in Galashiels. It was proposed to roll-out the scheme in other areas although the format may be changed.

DECISION

NOTED the report.

5. SAFER COMMUNITIES UPDATE AND KEY ACTIVITIES

- 5.1 There had been circulated copies of the Safer Communities Performance report covering the period from 1 April 2018 to 30 September 2018. Mr G Jones, Safer Communities & Community Justice Manager, highlighted the main points:-
- 5.2 Priority 1 – Reduce the level and Impact of Gender Based Violence through effective partnership working. Referrals to all the Safer Communities based domestic abuse services had increased in the year to date when compared to last year. The increase was in part due to all services being fully resourced. Recent corporate change had created a vacancy for the Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC) coordinator post.
- 5.3 Priority 2 – Reduce the level and impact of Substance Misuse through effective partnership working. It was noted that the SBC funded Community Action Team (CAT) had been active in enforcement activity both in relation to property searches under warrant and on street intelligence led stop and search activity. The ‘don’t buy it, don’t supply it’ campaign would continue throughout the 2018/19 Festive period in digital form.
- 5.4 Priority 3 – Reduce the level and impact of crime and antisocial behaviour through effective partnership working. The year to date trends across crime, ASB and vandalism had all shown an improvement compared to the same period last year. The decrease shown in referrals to mediation and reduced success rate was in part a reflection of changes in internal operating processes. Mr Jones added that there may be an improved way of reporting this.
- 5.5 Priority 4 – Reduce the level and impact of poor driver behaviour through effective partnership working. With the approach of winter advisory material would be circulated through social media relating to vehicle preparation and driving considerations. Part of the Drivewise training covered some of these components.
- 5.6 Priority 5 – Reduce the level and impact of incidents in the home through effective partnership work. This partnership work was led principally by SFRS. Options had been considered to update Crucial Crew, the annual safety event for P7 pupils. An online resource had been identified, written by education practitioners with input from subject experts. The content reflected all the safety subjects that were relevant to local children and aligned to the Curriculum for Excellence. The next stage was to consider how best to introduce an interactive component to the High School transition visit for P7 pupils. In a discussion about Crucial Crew Members recognised the impact of the event and lasting impressions for Primary School children when this was held over a day at Springwood Park. Members hoped the value of that element would not be lost in a revised format. Mr Jones explained that in looking for a way forward that maintained the spirit of the event consideration also needed to be given to the overall cost, particularly with regard to transport. There was an opportunity to provide a version of the experience when P7 pupils undertook their visits to the High Schools. In response to a question from Councillor Robson, Mr Jones agreed to provide the cost details for the single day’s Crucial Crew event and also a link to the online digital resource set up by Glasgow City Council which delivered the same material and which was linked to a youth award.
- 5.7 Members discussed further the impact of the Police CAT in the six month period since its launch. They recognised that the team was effective in that it was tasked locally and it

increased police visibility in communities, particularly in respect of responding to ASB, drug related issues and parking concerns. Mr Jones reported that, to date, approximately 80 constituency issues had been passed to the CAT from elected Members and the Council's Safer Communities Team. Inspector Hodges added that if, following a task set by Members, the team were sent to one area due to a particular issue this created the opportunity to look at other issues that may be causing problems in the area. The response was focused and community based.

DECISION

- (a) NOTED the report.**
- (b) AGREED that further information be provided to Members on the cost of the single day's Crucial Crew event as organised in past years and on the revised format of delivery being considered.**

6. PRESENTATION - STRATEGIC ASSESSMENT ON SAFER COMMUNITIES IN THE SCOTTISH BORDERS

6.1 Mr Jones explained that the presentation was to describe work being carried out to revise reporting arrangements for the Safer Communities Team, which were linked to the Community Plan and the Police Scotland and SFRS Plans. It was apparent that some existing Priorities were not as relevant as they ought to be, based upon the composition and activities of the team. Agreement was requested from the Board to develop the performance indicators being used so that the scrutiny function could be fully discharged and information reported upon was based upon what the team actually contributed towards. This would be effective from the next financial year and would give clarity of purpose and demonstrate value. Partnership Intelligence Analyst, Ms Wendy Marsden, gave the presentation which began by showing the structure within the Scottish Borders Safer Communities Team including the link with partners and the Safer Communities Team core responsibilities. The Strategic Assessment Process involved reviewing progress against existing priorities; establishing the current situation through analysis of information; detailing findings and recommendations; considering future developments; proposing future priorities; and consulting with partners and team members to agree and refine priorities. Essentially the work linked to the Community, Police and Fire plans, and work of the Alcohol and Drugs partnership, all of whom were co-located partners.

6.2 The presentation went on to list key findings since 2015 and proposed priority areas in respect of crime and ASB; gender based violence; and injury prevention. Key changes in the priorities from 2015 were as follows:-

- problematic drug and alcohol use would be a theme that cut across all areas of work but would no longer be a separate priority; and
- injury prevention would have a broader scope than currently and would encompass all aspects of safety within and outside of the home.

The next steps were to develop a workplan to deliver the identified priorities ; review performance indicators to ensure there was an accurate measurement of activity progress; and to revise the risk register and link risks to the delivery plan. Final proposals would be brought back to the Board for endorsement.

6.3 Members of the Board welcomed the review of reporting arrangements. It was recognised that the role of the Local Authority was to support partners and that the review may take away some of the duplication with other plans. Mr Dickson suggested that priorities also be linked with the Mental Health Plan, Back To Basics training on falls prevention and the Director of Public Health's Health Strategy.

DECISION

AGREED the approach being taken by the Safer Communities Team in the review of priorities and reporting arrangements.

CLOSING REMARKS

As this was the last Board meeting for Inspector Hodges, who was shortly retiring from Police Scotland, the Chairman thanked him for his valuable contribution to meetings and expressed the Board's best wishes for his future.

7. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and advised that the next meeting was scheduled to take place on Friday 8 February 2019 at 9.30 am.

**DECISION
NOTED**

The meeting concluded at 12.40 pm

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**POLICE
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Scrutiny Report

1st October, 2018 – 31st December, 2018

Q3



Scottish Borders

The data provided in this report is for information purposes to allow Partnership Members to conduct their scrutiny responsibilities. Due to delayed reporting or recording of crimes, incidents or road accidents there may be minor amendments between the information in this report and the final Police Scotland statistics. The extraction date from recording systems can also differ so it would not be appropriate to refer to, quote or use any data in the report as official statistics.



INTRODUCTION

This document is intended to provide a summary and brief assessment of performance in the Scottish Borders Command Area for the Quarter 3 period of 01/04/2018 – 31/12/2018.

The report references the themes from Scottish Borders Community Planning Partnerships Local Outcomes Improvement Plan and the aligned priorities within the Local Policing Plan for the Scottish Borders, namely:-

- Domestic Abuse
- Road Safety
- Violent Crime
- Anti-Social Behaviour
- Drug and Alcohol Misuse
- Protecting People
- Acquisitive Crime

All data is sourced from Police Scotland internal systems and is correct as of 17th January 2019
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Domestic Abuse

2017/18	2018/19	Change
826	744	-9.9%



This pleasing reduction in domestic abuse incidents positively reflects on the work being carried out by police and partner agencies in the Scottish Borders in tackling the perpetrators of domestic abuse. This has resulted in 82 fewer people being subjected to domestic abuse.

This positive picture is also reflected in the number of domestic abuse incidents which become crimes with an 8.7% reduction from last year to date.

Significant changes in legislation next year will see the introduction of psychological offences, so and increase in recorded incidents and crime can be expected.

Road Safety



	2017/18	2018/19	Change
Fatal	7	10	+ 42.9%
Serious	49	52	+ 6.1%
Slight	160	122	- 23.8%
KSI	56	62	+10.7%

Whilst there has been an increase in the number of people killed and seriously injured in the Scottish Borders it is positive to see 23.8% decrease in slight injuries. 40% of the fatal accidents involved motorcyclists visiting the Scottish Borders.

Violent Crime (Serious Assaults per 10,000 population)

2017/18	2018/19	Change
3.5	2.6	- 25.7%



A positive start to this year with a 25% decrease in serious assaults. This has resulted in 10 fewer people being subject to a serious assault in the Scottish Borders.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Antisocial Behaviour per 10,000 population

2017/18	2018/19	Change
394	385	-2.3%



Antisocial behaviour remains a priority for police in the Scottish Borders this decrease in all antisocial behaviour incidents is as a direct result of work carried out by our Community Action Team and Community Beat Officers.

Drug and Alcohol Misuse

2017/18	2018/19	Change
53	69	+30.2%



A proactive and intelligence led approach by the Scottish Borders Community Action Team has seen a significant rise in detections for drug related offences. I am confident this will continue to rise as the year progresses.

In relation to alcohol misuse we continue to work with our partners to carry out regular licensed premises checks engaging with staff to ensure compliance with licensing regulations

Protecting People (Missing Persons)

2017/18	2018/19	Change
430	522	+21.4%



The increase in the number of missing persons highlights the impact that these resource intensive incidents place upon police. The majority of these reported had a vulnerability of some kind with mental health related issues the most prevalent. A large proportion of those people missing are from small number of establishments.

Work continues with our partners to ensure that the residents of the Scottish Borders are protected against Bogus Callers, Frauds and Scams which are becoming more and more relevant and are aimed at the most vulnerable in our community.

Acquisitive Crime - Housebreaking Crimes crime rate per 10,000

2017/18	2018/19	Change
17.0	15.2	-10.6%



This 10.6% decrease positively reflects the work the police and the community have been doing to increase security and deter criminals. As a result 21 fewer premises have been broken into in the Scottish Borders compared to last year to date. The detection rate for Housebreaking in the Scottish Borders is 20.6%.

ACHIEVING PRIORITIES AND OUTCOMES

Domestic Abuse



In conjunction with our domestic abuse investigation unit high tariff offenders are identified and managed through the multi agency MATAAC process with victims being identified and supported through the MARAC process.

Proactive bail checks being robustly enforced on a daily basis.

Use of the Scottish Borders Police Facebook and Twitter accounts during the targeted periods to highlight Domestic Abuse as a crime and provide details on how to report it.

Preparation for new legislation around controlling and coercive behaviour is ongoing with police in the Scottish Borders being trained.

Road Safety



Taking cognisance of the increase of road casualties over the last year we are committed to working with our partners to reduce road accidents.

The arrival of two new mobile camera units operated by our camera safety partnership will allow for enhanced coverage in the Scottish Borders.

Structured patrol matrix for local road policing resources identified at casualty hotspots.

Maintaining our commitment to the award winning Drivewise Borders which recently won the accolade of Best Community Road Safety award by Brake.

We are working in partnership with councillors, SBC officials, Transport Scotland, Amey and residents, utilising measures such as speed checks and road engineering to reduce the risk in areas that have been identified as problematic.

The introduction of Community Speed Watch within the Scottish Borders, allows appropriately trained members of the community to carry out speed checks in their own areas.

ACHIEVING PRIORITIES AND OUTCOMES

Violent Crime



Detailed night time dispersal plans to reduce alcohol related violence.

Carrying out intelligence led stop and searches targeting individuals believed to be carrying weapons.

Licensed premises checks, focusing on early intervention, preventing violence and disorder, particularly during the festive period where 123 licensed premises visits were carried out.

Reassurance patrols are being carried out by the Community Action Team with reassurance patrols in the Scottish Borders community in the aftermath of any violence and disorder.

Antisocial Behaviour



After a successful trial, re deployable “CCTV” cameras are being deployed to assist with tackling ASB and crime.

The Community Action Team continue to work with the local authority to tackle ASB issues through engagement, patrolling and enforcement.

The Youth Community Officers continue to work in partnership to deter youth ASB focussing this quarter on issues that arise during the holidays and events such as school dances.

Police and SBC have been working in partnership to implement the anti-social behaviour process which successfully targets prolific offenders.

Robustly investigate allegations of hate crime, providing support to victims and reporting offenders seeking appropriate bail conditions.

ACHIEVING PRIORITIES AND OUTCOMES

Drugs and Alcohol Misuse



The Best Bar None program continues ensuring our licensed premises are safe places to socialise. During the festive period 123 licensed premises checks were carried out by local officers to ensure compliance with licensing regulations.

During the festive period police have worked in partnership with licenced premises to distribute anti drink-spiking devices within premises whilst engaging with patrons.

Police have worked with the local authority to task the Community Action Team with regard to drug related issues, assisting in the execution of drugs warrants. There has been a significant increase in drug enforcement over the last quarter with the Community Action Team taking a leading role in this regard.

Protecting People



Police continue to host multi-agency discussions at Child Protection Case Conferences, Adult Protection Case Conferences and through Adult Protection Inter Agency Referrals in order to protect both children and adults at risk of significant harm. Information sharing is a key part of this process.

The Distress Brief Intervention Scheme pilot continues in partnership with NHS Borders and SAMH. This scheme has been positively received and has provided additional support for residents in the Scottish Borders.

Repeat victims of bogus callers are visited by Community Officers providing advice and referring them on to relevant agencies where required.

Social Media is utilised to highlight issues such as scams to help protect people. Information on a BT scam reached over 48,023 people.

ACHIEVING PRIORITIES AND OUTCOMES

Acquisitive Crime



Conduct road checks on our main arterial routes and vulnerable sites to detect, disrupt and deter travelling criminals.

Utilise the Community Action Team to be a visible and physical deterrent to criminals whilst providing community reassurance patrols following a report.

Carry out foot patrols during the festive period in high footfall areas to deter shoplifting.

A dedicated roads policing vehicle is being tasked with targeted patrols to deter and detect persons carrying out acquisitive crime.

PREVENTION & ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS

Highlights of Events, Operations & Activity from 1st October – 31st December

Drugs Supply – This quarter saw the conclusion of a highly successful intelligence led operation targeting known individuals in the Galashiels area who were concerned in the supply of controlled drugs. 12 search warrants were executed at various locations resulting in 16 people being reported.

Best Bar None – Through some excellent engagement from community officers, licensing and the Safer Communities Team we have 19 premises on board this year.

Road Safety – The award winning Drivewise continues, the under 17s event at Charterhall has been awarded an SQA qualification and will hopefully be delivered as a trial to Gala Academy student this year. A new programme focussing on motorcyclist safety aimed at reducing the fatalities in relation to this road user group.

Antisocial Behaviour – Multiagency training in conjunction with ASBU and Registered Social Landlords providing guidance to increase understanding of the process and highlight good working practices.

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Report to:
Scottish Borders Council
Police, Fire and Rescue & Safer Communities Board

SUBJECT: PERFORMANCE REPORT 1ST APRIL TO 31ST DECEMBER 2018

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The attached reports provide the year to date (YTD) performance data from April to December 2018 and quarterly performance data in addition to the performance report for Prevention and Protection activities for the same period.

2. OUTPUTS

- 2.1 The following identifies the headline outputs from April to December 2018.

Dwelling Fires

The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) attended 76 dwelling fires during this period, five more than the YTD reporting period the previous year.

Eleven of these fires were started deliberately.

50% of these fires originated in the kitchen and 37% involved cooking.

Fire Casualties/Fatalities

There were 12 fire related casualties in the YTD reporting period, two less than the same period last year.

Further analysis shows that 7 casualties went to hospital for precautionary checks suffering from smoke inhalation. Five casualties received first aid at the scene and did not require any further treatment.

There have been no Fire Fatalities during the reporting period.

Deliberate Fire Setting (not including dwellings).

There were 104 deliberate fires in the YTD reporting period, a 25% decrease in comparison to the same reporting period last year.

Breakdown of these figures show a quarter on quarter decrease.

Unfortunately, the majority of the above fires were a result of anti-social behaviour. This resulted in a number of proactive and reactive prevention initiatives by SFRS and Safer Communities partners.

Road Traffic Collisions

During the YTD reporting period, the SFRS attended 67 Road Traffic Collisions (RTC's), two more than the same reporting period last year.

There have been 41 RTC related casualties in this YTD period including two fatalities.

During the YTD period, the SFRS used Hydraulic Rescue Equipment on 22 occasions to extricate casualties.

Special Service Casualties

The term "special service" is used for attendance at a number of non-fire related incidents, this includes, amongst others, RTC's, rescues from water and height, persons trapped in machinery or a lift, medical emergencies and effecting entry to a premises. The table below represents an overview of YTD Special Service Casualties for 2018-19.

Special Service Type	Non-fatal	Fatal	Total
Effecting entry	12	2	14
Assist other agencies	3	1	4
RTC casualties	39	2	41
Other (flooding, hazmat, release persons)	10	1	11
			70

Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals

UFAS calls consist of Equipment failure, False alarm good intent and False alarm malicious. The figure contained within the main report relates to Equipment failure only as this is the cause of the majority of UFAS incidents. The figures in the following tables represent all UFAS incidents.

Priority	YTD 2017-18	YTD 2018-19	+/-
Reduction of Dwelling Fires	71	76	+5
Reduction in Fire Fatalities and Casualties	14	12	-2
Reduction of Deliberate Fire Setting	139	104	-35
Reduction in Road Traffic Collisions	65	67	+2
Reduction of Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals	719	707	-12

Priority	Q3 2017-18	Q3 2018-19	+/-
Reduction of Dwelling Fires	28	31	+3
Reduction in Fire Fatalities and Casualties	6	7	+1
Reduction of Deliberate Fire Setting	25	23	-2
Reduction in Road Traffic Collisions	27	24	-3
Reduction of Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals	231	221	-10

3. PREVENTION & PROTECTION

See attached report

4. RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1 The Scottish Borders Police, Fire and Rescue and Safer Communities Board is invited to consider and otherwise to note the contents of the performance report.

STEPHEN GOURLAY
Local Senior Officer
Scottish Borders
8th February 2019

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LOCAL PLAN PERFORMANCE REPORT SCOTTISH BORDERS



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Year to Date Report, 1st April – 31st December 2018

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Introduction

The priorities contained within the Local Fire and Rescue Plan and our strategies for service delivery are clearly aligned to the Community Planning Structure, which supports the delivery of the Community Planning Partnership priorities and activities in the Scottish Borders. The priorities in the Local Fire and Rescue Plan also contribute to Scottish Governments National Outcome, O9: We live our lives safe from crime, disorder and danger.

The aims of the local Fire & Rescue Service in the Scottish Borders are to reduce fire deaths throughout the Scottish Borders area and to reduce injuries from fire and other emergencies in the community. We aim to achieve this by working in partnership, being pro-active and targeting our prevention and protection activities to where they are required, based on evidence.

Within the Community Fire and Rescue Plan for the Scottish Borders, five priorities for the local Fire and Rescue Service to work towards have been identified for 2018/19 (listed below).

1. As part of a Community Partnership approach, we will make people safer in their homes
2. We will promote Community Resilience whilst contributing to improved outcomes for people involved in non-fire emergencies
3. Together with our Community Partners, we will contribute to making Scottish Borders roads safer
4. As part of a Community Partnership, we will challenge Anti-social Behaviour
5. In partnership, we will aim to reduce the occurrence and impact of Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals.

Area Manager Stephen Gourlay, Local Senior Officer for the Scottish Borders

Performance Summary

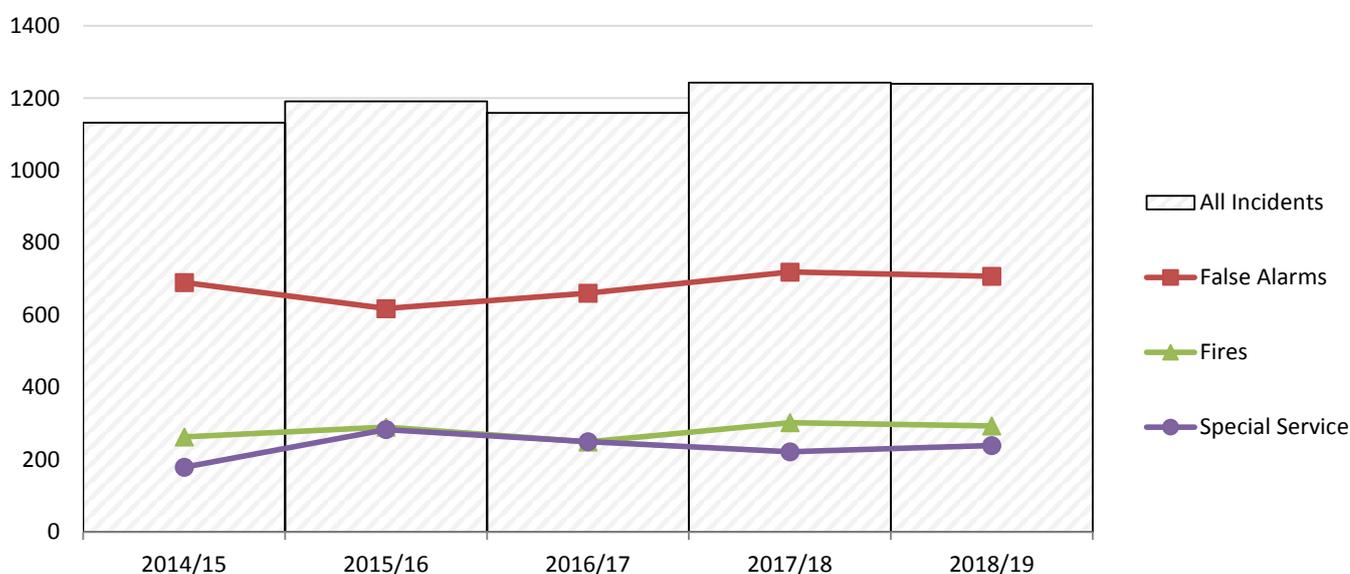
We measure how well we are meeting our priorities using 6 key indicators, depicted below

Key performance indicator	Apr to (& incl.) Dec					RAG rating
	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	YTD
Dwelling fires	60	85	69	71	76	▲
All fire casualties (fatal & non-fatal (incl. p/c's))	9	15	20	14	12	●
All deliberate fires excl. dwellings	79	89	78	139	104	●
Special Service - RTCs	78	79	77	65	67	▲
Special Service Casualties - All	52	92	111	73	70	●
False Alarm - Equipment failure	494	436	479	482	502	▲

RAG rating - KEY		
◆	RED DIAMOND	10% higher than the previous YTD period, or local target not achieved.
▲	YELLOW TRIANGLE	Up to 9% higher than the previous YTD period, or local target not achieved.
●	GREEN CIRCLE	Equal to or improved upon the previous equivalent quarter (or YTD period), or local target achieved.

Note
<p>Quarterly comparison RAG rating = the reporting period compared to the average of the three previous quarterly reporting periods Year to Date RAG rating = the cumulative total of all quarterly performance in current year compared to cumulative total of all quarterly performance in the previous year.</p>
Incident Overview
<p>During the YTD period 1st April to 31st Dec 2018, the SFRS responded to 1239 incidents within the Scottish Borders, this is 4 less incidents than the same period last year. False alarms accounted for 57% of our emergency calls for the year so far.</p>

The chart below illustrates incidents YTD attended within Scottish Borders council over the last 5 fiscal years



Progress on local fire & rescue plan priorities

Local Risk Management and Preparedness

The Service must identify, prioritise and plan to meet the risks in each local community.

We said we would:

- train our staff to deal with our local risks
- gather and analyse risk information
- work with partners to mitigate risks
- deal with major events

Train our staff to deal with our local risks

Our operational staff have continued to undertake routine and risk specific skill acquisition and maintenance training. During 2018-19, all firefighters in the Scottish Borders will participate within the Training for Operational Competence Programme. Current modules for the year to date period include Ladders, Water Awareness, Incident Command, Health, Safety and Risk Management and Petrochemical and Gases.

Gather and analyse risk information

Our operational staff continue to gather and analyse local risk information and operational intelligence which is used in our preparations to resolve incidents.

We conduct Post Incident Debriefs using a Structured Debrief Process to identify any lessons that can be learned from our preparedness and response to emergency events.

Work with partners to mitigate risks

We continue to be an active member of the Lothian and Borders Local Resilience Partnership.

We share information with local authority partners and other key stakeholders (e.g. Police Scotland) to ensure emergency risks are mitigated.

Deal with major events

The Service did not deal with any “major events” in the Scottish Borders during the reporting period.

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Reduction of 'Dwelling fires'

Dwelling fires can have devastating effects on our communities. The reduction of dwelling fires, accidental or deliberate, continues to be a priority for the SFRS in the Scottish Borders. We adopt a targeted approach whilst sharing information with partners in order to drive down the risk of fire within local communities with an emphasis on those who are particularly vulnerable through age, isolation or addiction.

Results

We will seek a year on year reduction in dwelling fires, which will contribute towards the Scottish target of a 10% reduction, over a three-year rolling period.

There have been 76 dwelling fires recorded compared to 71 for the same YTD period last year, this represents a 7% increase. Eleven of these fires were started deliberately.

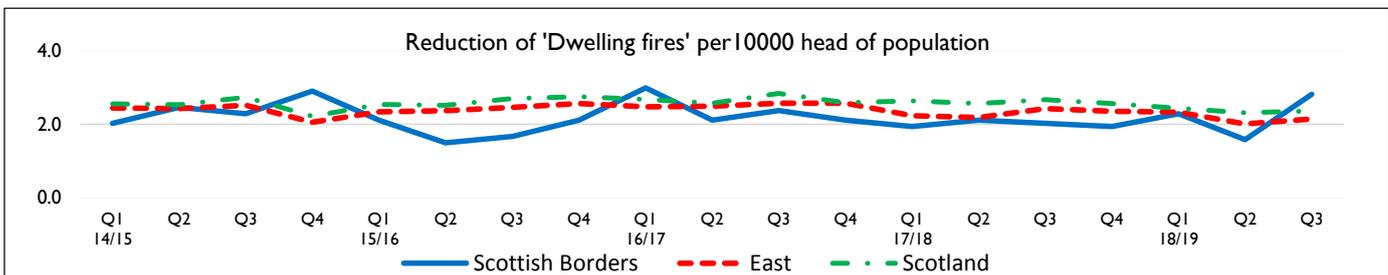
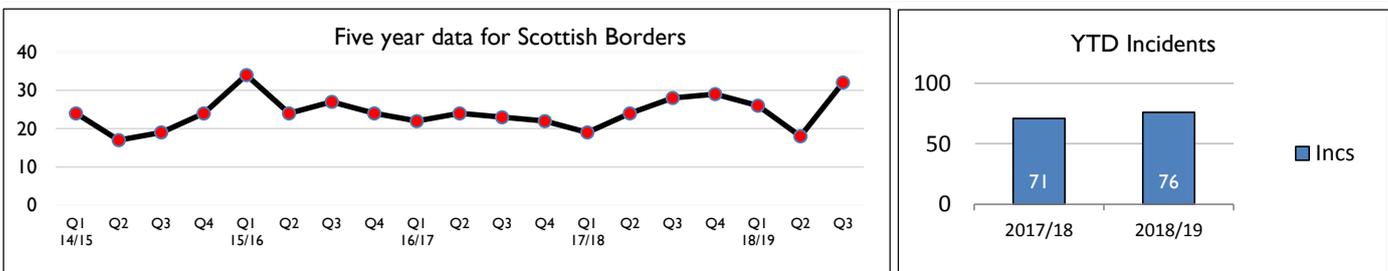
Reasons

Cooking accounted for 28 of these dwelling fires with a further 5 attributable to careless disposal of smoking materials. Analysis highlights 50% of these incidents originated in the kitchen with 63% involving adults 18-64 years.

Actions

The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service conduct Post Domestic Incident Response (PDIR) following all domestic dwelling fires. We also work closely with partners in order to identify persons at risk from fire, this often results in cross agency referrals or joint home safety visits.

Serious fires are subject to detailed investigation and depending on the circumstances can result in multi-agency case conferences.



YTD ward ave. for Scottish Borders - 7	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Sparklines
Scottish Borders	60	85	69	71	76	
Tweeddale West	3	5	5	5	8	
Tweeddale East	3	4	3	0	3	
Galashiels & District	12	16	10	20	11	
Selkirkshire	3	4	8	5	9	
Leaderdale & Melrose	9	7	2	4	9	
Mid Berwickshire	6	6	7	10	9	
East Berwickshire	5	13	10	5	6	
Kelso & District	3	8	7	5	7	
Jedburgh & District	3	6	2	3	5	
Hawick & Denholm	7	5	6	8	5	
Hawick & Hermitage	6	9	9	6	4	

Reduction of 'All fire casualties (fatal & non-fatal (incl. p/c's))'

Fire casualty and fatality rates provide an indication of the amount of serious, life-threatening injuries that occur due to fire. This can indicate not only the success of SFRS in reducing the number of life risk fires through community fire safety and similar activities, but also their success in response activity in saving lives.

Results

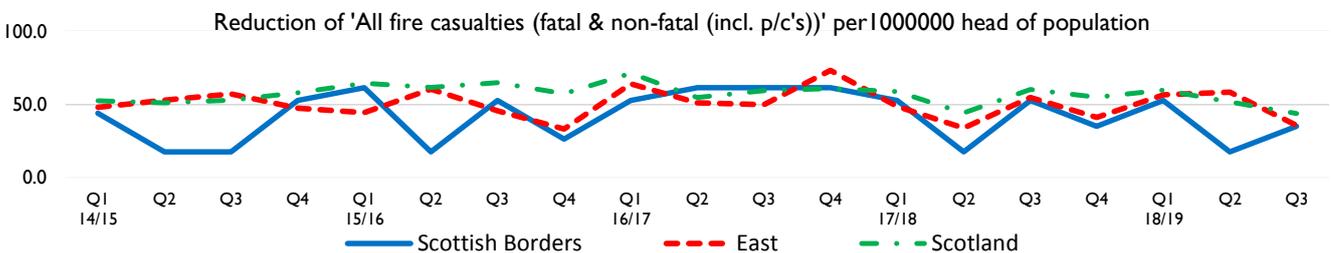
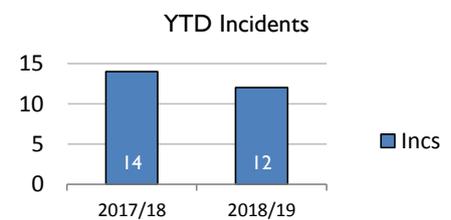
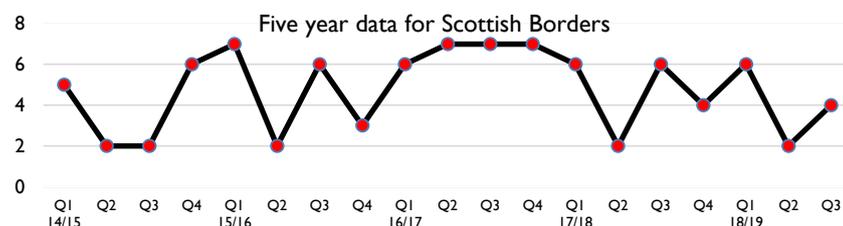
We aim to reduce Fire Casualties in the Scottish Borders year on year that contributes towards the SFRS target of reducing Fire Casualties by 5% per year, over a three-year rolling period. There have been 12 casualties in the YTD period, this is two less than the same period last year.

Reasons

Oxygen was administered by SFRS at the scene to all casualties. Three of the casualties were led to safety by firefighters. Seven casualties were required to go to hospital with slight injuries and 5 received first aid at the scene only.

Actions

The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service conduct a Post Domestic Incident Response (PDIR) following all domestic dwelling fires. This involves fire crews offering reassurance and fire safety advice to all households within the vicinity of the incident immediately or soon after the incident. Crews also proactively target 'at risk groups' including elderly people who are more likely to suffer a fire in their home.



YTD ward ave. for Scottish Borders - I	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Sparklines
Scottish Borders	9	15	20	14	12	
Tweeddale West	0	1	4	0	1	
Tweeddale East	0	0	0	0	0	
Galashiels & District	0	3	0	8	1	
Selkirkshire	0	0	3	0	1	
Leaderdale & Melrose	2	2	1	1	1	
Mid Berwickshire	3	2	3	5	0	
East Berwickshire	1	0	1	0	2	
Kelso & District	0	1	1	0	5	
Jedburgh & District	1	3	0	0	1	
Hawick & Denholm	1	1	2	0	0	
Hawick & Hermitage	1	5	0	0	0	

Reduction of 'All deliberate fires excl. dwellings'

Reduction of Deliberate Fire Setting continues to be a priority for the SFRS in the Scottish Borders. Deliberate fires of this nature typically involve grassland, refuse or derelict buildings. Evidence shows that there is a close link between deliberate secondary fires and anti-social behaviour.

Results

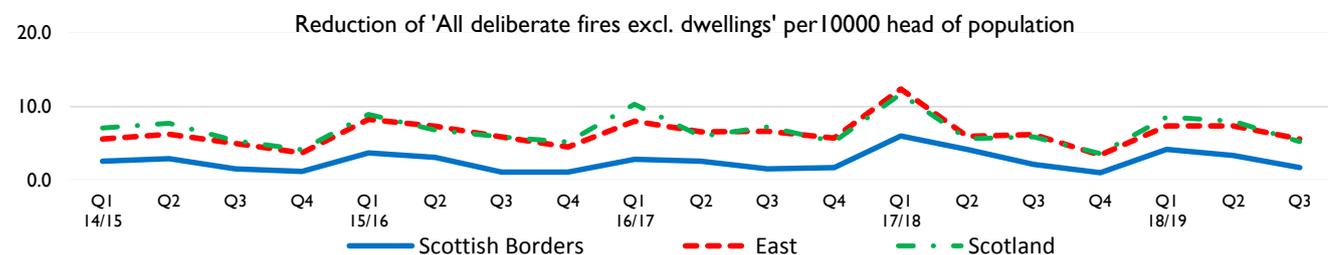
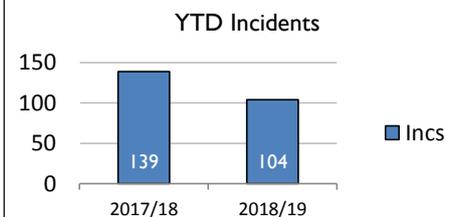
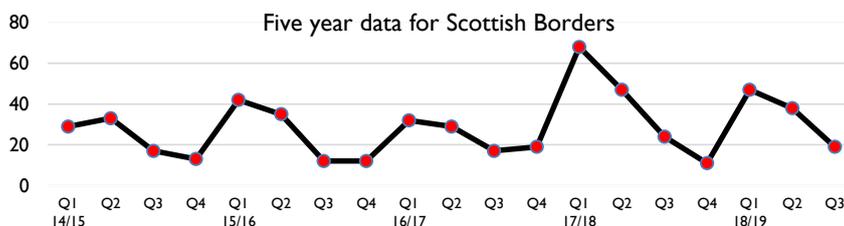
There have been 104 incidents of this nature in the YTD period, this is a 25% decrease for the same reporting period last year.

Reasons

Secondary fires involving refuse, grass, scrub and woodland accounted for 69% of all deliberate fires. 30% of these fires occurred in the Galashiels and District ward a continued decrease for the area.

Actions

The SFRS carry out seasonal campaigns with the purpose of warning and educating the public regarding dangers, risks and safety measures. Where trends or patterns are identified, the SFRS will work with community partners to mitigate the risk of recurrence. Where required the SFRS offer a one to one service for young fire setters.



YTD ward ave. for Scottish Borders - 9	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Sparklines
Scottish Borders	79	89	78	139	104	
Tweeddale West	6	13	4	13	3	
Tweeddale East	7	16	7	6	8	
Galashiels & District	17	17	17	58	29	
Selkirkshire	8	3	6	11	3	
Leaderdale & Melrose	5	6	6	4	8	
Mid Berwickshire	8	4	7	7	5	
East Berwickshire	3	2	3	3	11	
Kelso & District	3	6	4	12	12	
Jedburgh & District	6	9	12	5	6	
Hawick & Denholm	12	11	9	15	10	
Hawick & Hermitage	4	3	3	5	9	

Reduction of 'Special Service - RTCs'

While much of this risk is out with the control of SFRS, responding to Road Traffic Collisions is a key part of our intervention activities. The SFRS is committed to working with partners and other stakeholders in order to reduce the amount of RTC's that occur in the Scottish Borders.

Results

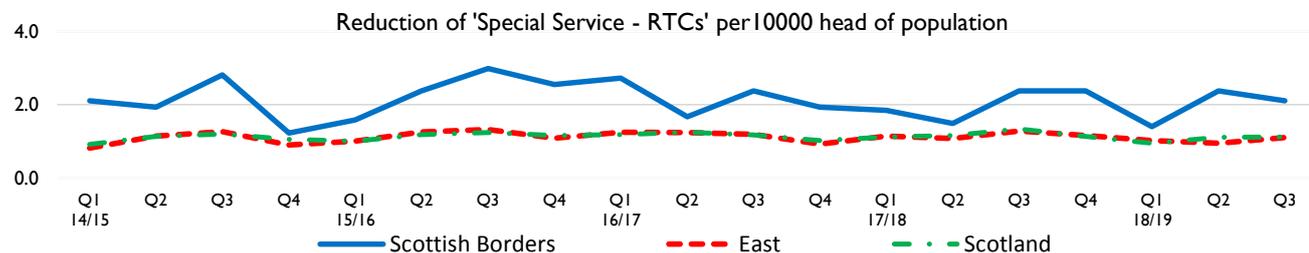
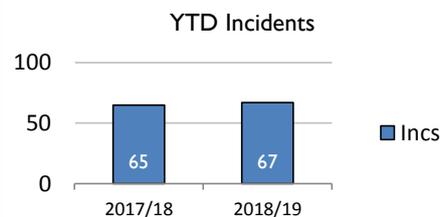
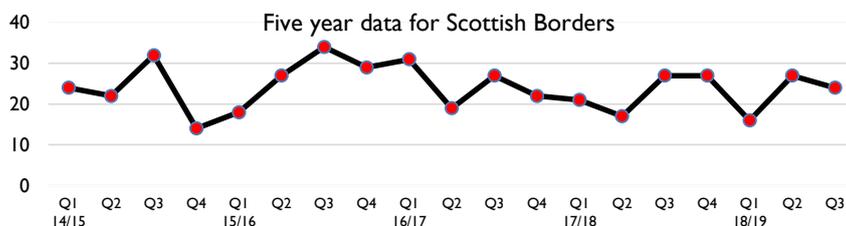
The SFRS attended 67 RTC's YTD, this represents a slight increase of 3% compared to the same period last year. Further analysis indicates that hydraulic rescue equipment was used on 22 occasions to extricate persons trapped in vehicles. The remaining incidents required limited intervention from the SFRS including administering first aid and making the vehicle or scene safe.

Reasons

Police Scotland are responsible for determining the causes of RTC's, however, the SFRS have a significant part to play in preventing RTC's. The SFRS respond to RTC's whenever it is confirmed persons are within the vehicle, regardless if they are trapped or not. As highlighted in the previous paragraph, this can mean that on many occasions limited intervention is required by our crews.

Actions

The SFRS are part of the Safer Communities Unit and a member of the Road Safety Working Theme Group. CAT and operational staff attend educational establishments such as schools and the Borders College to deliver inputs to young drivers regarding the consequences of RTC's. We also participate in partnership initiatives such as the Scottish Borders Drivewise Event.



YTD ward ave. for Scottish Borders - 6	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Sparklines
Scottish Borders	78	79	77	65	67	
Tweeddale West	14	6	3	13	10	
Tweeddale East	12	10	8	4	7	
Galashiels & District	10	11	10	8	9	
Selkirkshire	5	3	6	3	3	
Leaderdale & Melrose	8	12	8	7	7	
Mid Berwickshire	6	3	7	3	7	
East Berwickshire	6	12	5	7	8	
Kelso & District	5	7	8	4	0	
Jedburgh & District	8	9	14	11	8	
Hawick & Denholm	2	4	4	3	4	
Hawick & Hermitage	2	4	4	2	4	

Reduction of 'Special Service Casualties - All'

The figures below pertain to all non-fire related casualties and represent the diverse nature of incidents the SFRS attend in the Scottish Borders other than fires and UFAS. As the traditional role of the Fire and Rescue Service expands, the SFRS is committed to working with partners and other stakeholders in order to reduce not only the amount of RTC related casualties and fatalities, but other casualties including victims of flooding and medical emergencies.

Results

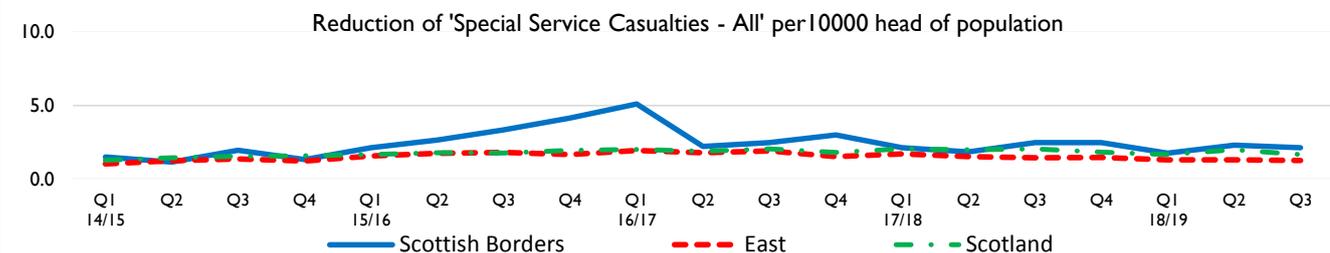
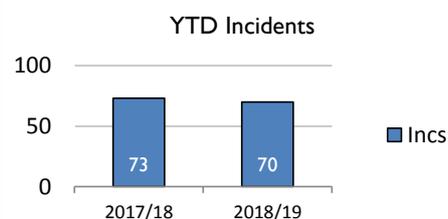
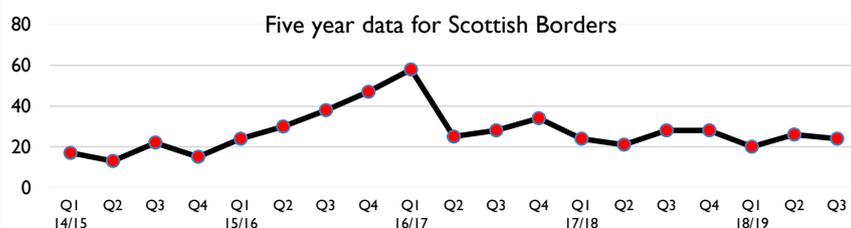
There have been 70 Special Service casualties during the reporting period, a 4% decrease in comparison to the same period last year. A snapshot analysis of incident and casualty type is included in the report summary page.

Reasons

The amount of “non-traditional” incidents the SFRS are mobilised to has increased markedly over the last few years. These types of incident include assisting our Scottish Ambulance colleagues with effecting entry for emergency medical response and persons who have fallen in the home. Traditional Special Service response includes, RTC’s, Water Rescue, Hazmat and rescues from height.

Actions

CAT staff and operational crews participate regularly in partnership initiatives that target high risk groups with the specific aim of highlighting the potential severity and far reaching consequences of RTC’s. SFRS crews are providing CPR and defibrillator training to local communities. By training members of the public in CPR, those suffering an out of hospital cardiac arrest have a better chance of survival due to early intervention.



YTD ward ave. for Scottish Borders - 6	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Sparklines
Scottish Borders	52	92	111	73	70	
Tweeddale West	6	19	7	15	9	
Tweeddale East	5	4	8	5	3	
Galashiels & District	7	14	16	10	10	
Selkirkshire	3	3	7	9	5	
Leaderdale & Melrose	5	10	7	4	7	
Mid Berwickshire	5	4	9	8	8	
East Berwickshire	6	12	6	5	3	
Kelso & District	3	5	15	3	5	
Jedburgh & District	6	14	18	7	8	
Hawick & Denholm	5	4	9	4	8	
Hawick & Hermitage	1	4	9	3	4	

Reduction of 'False Alarm - Equipment failure'

Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals (UFAS) are defined as incidents where an automated fire alarm system activates and results in the mobilisation of SFRS resources, when the reason for that alarm turns out to be something other than a fire emergency. The SFRS is committed to working with partners and other stakeholders to reduce Unwanted Fire Alarm signals.

Results

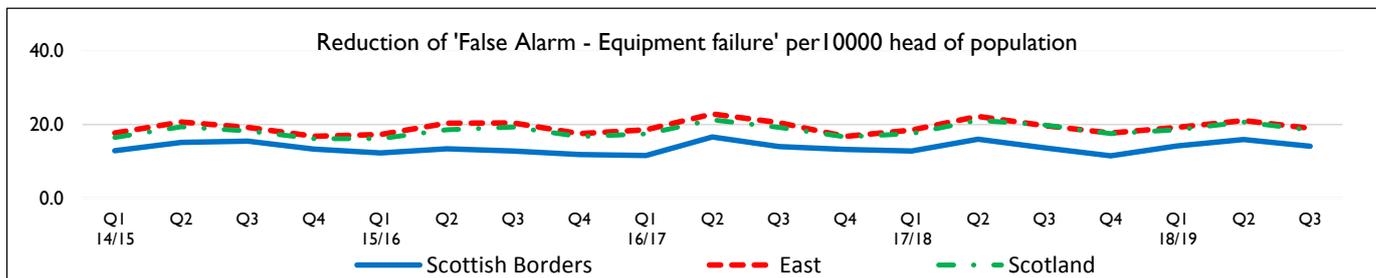
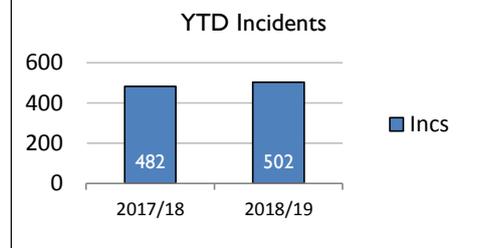
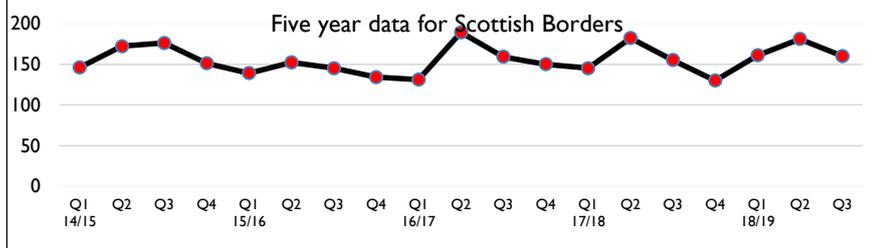
There have been 707 false alarm incidents in the Scottish Borders during this reporting period. Equipment failure accounted for 502 of these incidents with 173 and 33 the figures for good intent and malicious respectively. The figures illustrated in this report relate only to False Alarm equipment failures.

Reasons

Equipment failure accounted for 71% of all UFAS calls in this reporting period and continues to be the most common cause of these types of incidents.

Actions

We continue to proactively monitor UFAS calls and our Fire Safety Enforcement Officers work closely with premises to reduce further UFAS incidents. This includes discussing technological, procedural and management solutions in order to prevent future UFAS incidents. This forms part of an incremental approach with the ultimate aim of educating duty holders whilst reducing UFAS calls. The reduction of UFAS across the Borders has been supplemented by appointing one of our Fire Safety Enforcement Officers as UFAS Champion.



YTD ward ave. for Scottish Borders - 46	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Sparklines
Scottish Borders	494	436	479	482	502	
Tweeddale West	79	66	62	77	52	
Tweeddale East	19	24	26	31	34	
Galashiels & District	73	80	64	78	75	
Selkirkshire	67	44	57	48	47	
Leaderdale & Melrose	67	59	52	48	56	
Mid Berwickshire	42	25	37	27	38	
East Berwickshire	28	26	21	21	46	
Kelso & District	28	19	35	34	48	
Jedburgh & District	23	21	27	17	31	
Hawick & Denholm	22	24	38	38	26	
Hawick & Hermitage	46	48	60	63	49	

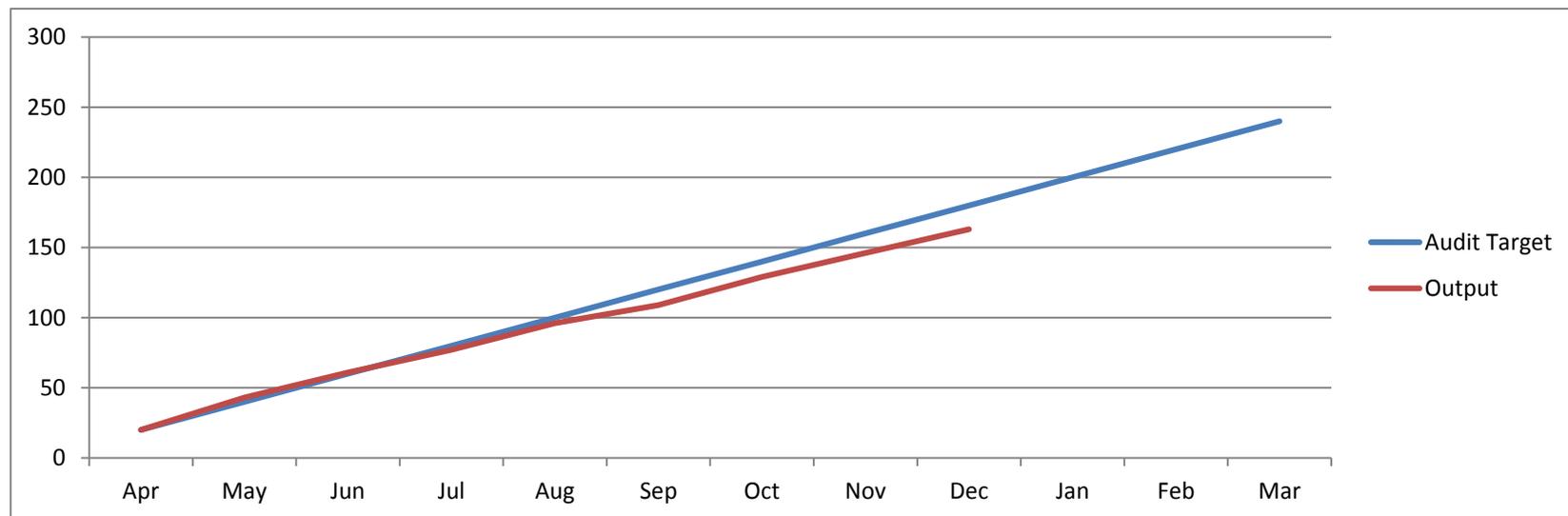
Prevention & Protection Activities

Quarter 3 2018/2019: (1st October 2018 to 31st December 2018)

Fire Safety Enforcement Audits

The figures represent the audit workloads delivered by the Scottish Borders Fire Safety Enforcement Officers (FSEOs). Following the SFRS Enforcement Framework, local deployment ensures compliance for relevant premises in terms of the Fire Scotland Act (2005) and associated Fire Safety Regulations. The Fire Safety Enforcement team is based at Galashiels Fire Station. It should be noted that those properties identified within our framework as high risk have been audited. Although current audits completed are below the target set, this will be addressed over the coming months, with no negative impact on agreed workloads. This is predominately due to staff being on leave over the festive period.

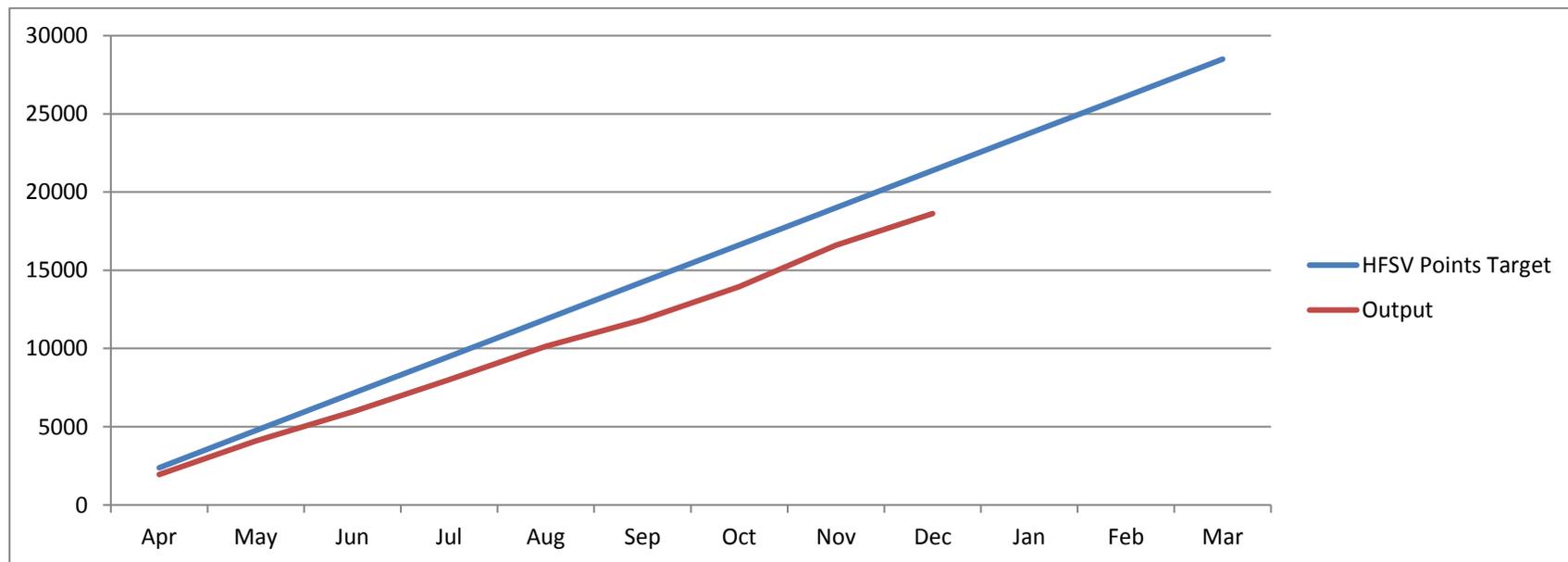
	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Target:	20	40	60	80	100	120	140	160	180	200	220	240	240
Completed:	20	43	61	77	96	109	129	146	163				



Home Fire Safety Visits

The delivery of Home Fire Safety Visits (HFSVs) is the corner stone of the SFRS Community Safety Engagement framework. By visiting households and providing fire safety advice and smoke alarms the numbers of dwelling fires and casualties will be reduced. To target the highest risk households across the Scottish Borders a points allocation based on risk and associated target has been set (24 points per high, 8 per medium, 4 per low risk visit). In order that we focus our resources on those at greatest risk of fire, SFRS decided earlier this year that those properties which scored either medium or low after a visit, would not be automatically offered a revisit after a specific period of time. This has had an impact on the number of HFSVs generated as can be seen from the points below (YTD). We are currently reviewing local HFSV targets, how they are determined and how we report. The actual number of HFSVs completed has increased compared to the previous two (2) quarters of this reporting year (see page 3).

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Total
Target	2375	4750	7125	9500	11875	14250	16625	19000	21375	23750	26125	28500	28500
Completed	1944	4096	5944	8004	10144	11832	13948	16604	18624				



Total visits delivered in 2018/19 by ward area of the Scottish Borders:

The following table gives a good indication of the coverage across the Scottish Borders where the SFRS delivers Home Fire Safety Visits.

Ward Area	Visits delivered in Q1 2018/19	Visits delivered in Q2 2018/19	Visits delivered in Q3 2018/19	Visits delivered in Q4 2018/19
East Berwickshire	17	27	22	
Galashiels and District	98	81	115	
Hawick and Denholm	68	66	97	
Hawick and Hermitage	96	98	72	
Jedburgh and District	34	25	34	
Kelso and District	22	21	28	
Leaderdale and Melrose	39	41	71	
Mid Berwickshire	26	29	18	
Selkirkshire	40	35	32	
Tweeddale East	24	20	21	
Tweeddale West	23	19	19	
TOTAL	487	462	529	

Partnership Working

Youth Engagement

During this Quarter, the Community Action Team (CAT) have supported and engaged with the following youth engagement Fire skills and Risk Factory programmes in Midlothian/East Lothian and City of Edinburgh. In addition to these core activities, the CAT continue to support the delivery of youth engagement through Fire skills with young offenders at Polmont.

The Community Action Team have also had **3** Fire setter Intervention referrals from Police Scotland during this reporting period.

Safeguarding (Vulnerable persons)

Close collaboration with our partner organisations across the public and third sector continues to generate our HFSV referrals. The local crews within the Scottish Borders continue to proactively deliver the Adult/Child protection policy and procedure and have generated **14** referrals (AP1) during this period.

The Local Authority Liaison Officer (LALO) continues to attend or provide information relevant to fire for the monthly Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC) and successful actions from these meetings have been delivered.

Referrals

Home Fire Safety Visits are generated via several pathways involving partner agencies. Generation of referrals from partners is key to identifying individuals most at risk of fire within the home. Our LALO role in supporting this is vital. This is an ongoing task, with new referral pathways being created regularly. Recent initiatives facilitated by our LALO has seen an **increase of 121%** (compared to **Qrt 2 18/19**) in the number of referrals received from our partners. This is fantastic work, which allows us to identify those most in need of a HFSV.

In addition to MARAC outcomes, the CAT team have facilitated a further **14** referrals from the Domestic Abuse Advocacy Service (DAAS) in partnership with the Safer Housing options worker for the Scottish Borders Council.

Partnership working in the Scottish Borders with British Red Cross is continuing to generate referral numbers with a total of **6** for this period.

Housing Association partner referrals total **155**. Our LALO continues to actively engage in communicating with Housing Associations to deliver further training and familiarisation in Fire Safety and the referral process. This is supporting our objective of identifying persons most at risk of fire within the home.

NHS provided **4** referrals and Social Services **5**. The LALO continues to work closely with these respective partners and attends their regular team meetings to provide support and further training on the referral process.

Within the Scottish Borders we continue to develop partnership links with the Cheviot Community Health Care team (NHS) through the development of the Living Safely in the Home (LSITH) pilot project. This relates to falls assessment screening and referrals.

SFRS staff have been involved in the delivery of 55 Community Safety events in Scottish Borders during this period. This includes fire safety talks, liaising with other services and road safety initiatives as detailed below.

Road Safety

Drive Wise was successfully delivered during this period with all partner agencies involved in the programme. SFRS are a key partner in this multi-agency event and have provided support via operational crews from Gala and Hawick along with the Community Action Team. Planning and scheduling for courses to be delivered this year is complete with progress updates provided in future reports.

Other Work Completed or In Progress

The following detailed below is further work the Community Action Team (CAT) have completed for this quarter or is in progress for the next Quarter.

- Our LALO continues to work as an integral partner within the Safer Communities Team.
- SFRS staff continue to attend monthly MARAC meetings.
- SFRS personnel continue to work with Hawick High School Partnership and have just arranged Fire related anti-social behaviour talks for all 1st year pupils.
- Our LALO continues to attend the Community Learning & Development Target Setting Steering Group meetings.
- The Community Action Team continues to support 2 x Wholetime and 11 RDS stations with the delivery of HFSV's and Seasonal Thematic Action Plans.
- SFRS representation on the Syrian Refugee Families Operational Group.
- Local staff supported the delivery of a Drivewise event in Fife.
- Members of the CAT attended a 'Solihull' awareness session at Lauder Fire Station. This is designed to raise awareness of increased emotional health and well-being in childhood. The input supported a previous Adverse Childhood Experiences ACEs training session our staff attended.
- Our LALO attended Falls Strategy Review forum at Borders General Hospital.
- SFRS are now represented on the Gypsy Travellers Operational Group.
- We are currently arranging SFRS attendance and delivery of Home Fire Safety awareness in the home training at all levels of Adult/Child protection training within the Scottish Borders. This will capture a huge audience of managers and practitioners, raising awareness of fire risk in the home and more importantly, the creation of referral pathways to SFRS. This will support our efforts to provide a HFSV to those at greater risk of fire within the home environment.

Future Work Streams

As we plan for the future, we are actively involved in several areas of work, including;

- We are actively looking for ways to reduce the number of UFAS calls we attend across Scotland. At previous Scrutiny meetings we have presented papers outlining the issues we face and how we propose to address them. SFRS are about to engage directly with SBC Education to assess the impact of UFAS within Schools and other educational premises. It is hopeful that this exercise will promote a considerable reduction in UFAS and subsequent SFRS attendance to SB Schools. This initiative is still being actively pursued by SFRS and we await communication from our partners at Scottish Borders Council.



Quarterly Performance Report January 2019

Period Covered: 1 April 2018 to 31 December 2018

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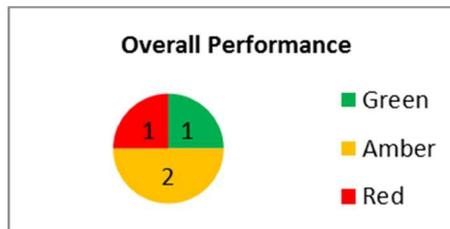
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Strategic Priority 1 – Reduce the level and Impact of Gender Based Violence through effective partnership working

Overall Summary

Overall Performance

Overall performance 4 indicators:



Key Successes

- The CEDAR Graduates have been recognised by two awards for their achievements in completing CEDAR - CEDAR Mums Graduates won an adult learners award in recognition of the skills and knowledge they developed in preparing and delivering a number of workshops on domestic abuse at the 2018 Scottish Borders CEDAR Conference, and the children/young people won an Inspiring Youth Award in recognition of their courage in sharing their experiences, and raising awareness of domestic abuse in their communities.
- The Safe Housing Options service continues to be regarded as a good example of providing housing alternatives for victims of domestic abuse, with the delivery of a workshop and discussion group at the National Chartered Institute of Housing Conference in December.

Key Issues

- The MARAC Coordinator post has been secured until March 2019 by an existing member of staff.
- Proposals around the Public Protection agenda are being brought to a conclusion and options are being considered. The proposals incorporate domestic abuse services and the wider Safer Communities Team with a view to improving service delivery and synergy across and within relevant business areas.
- The number of domestic abuse incidents reported to Police Scotland in the year to data 1st April 2018 to 31st December 2018 is 767. This is 63 incidents (7.6%) lower than 2017 over the same time period. There has been a corresponding reduction in the number of cases referred to DAAS when compared to 2017. However, referrals to all domestic abuse services (DAAS, SHO, DAAO and CAS) are very similar to last year at this point.

Key Activities

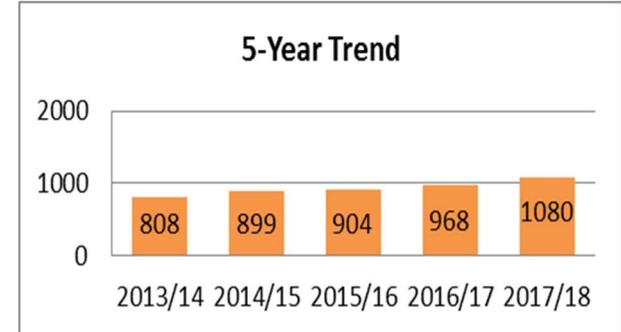
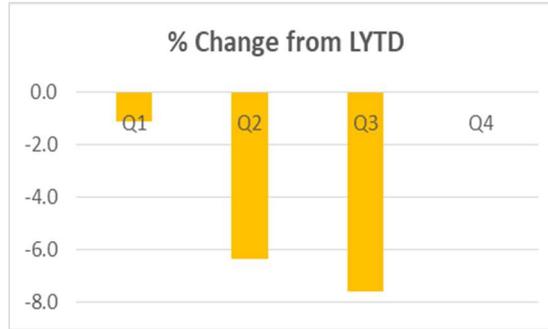
- The Gender Based Violence Strategic Assessment has been completed and priorities for the next 3 years have been established. Work has now started on defining activities that will deliver on our stated priorities. This will be underpinned by management information and reporting arrangements.

Strategic Priority 1 – Reduce the level and Impact of Gender Based Violence through effective partnership working

Increase the number of reported incidents of domestic abuse (adults)

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
767	830	-36	-7.6%

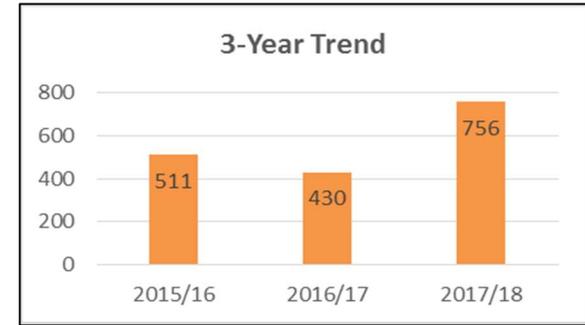
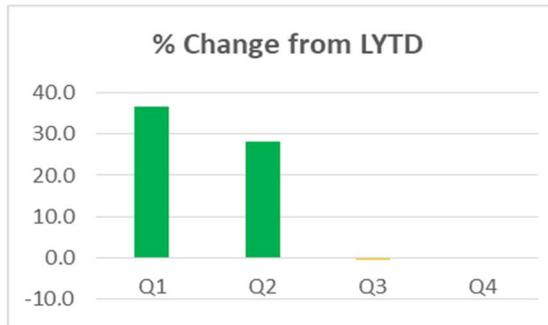


Source: Police Scotland

Increase the number of referrals to Safer Communities Domestic Abuse Support Services (Adults)

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
552	554	-2	-0.4%



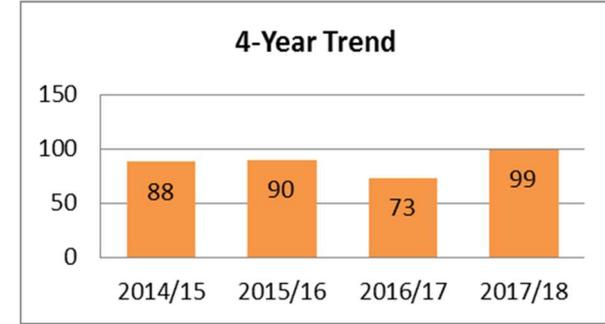
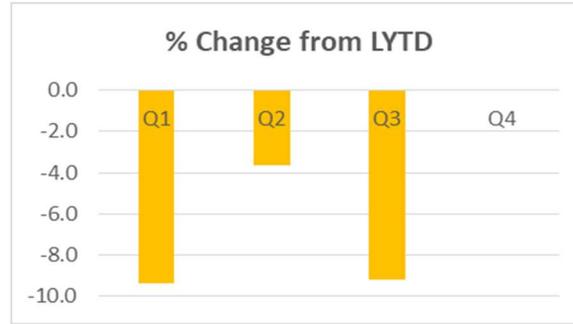
Source: DAAS

Strategic Priority 1 – Reduce the level and Impact of Gender Based Violence through effective partnership working

Increase the number of high risk domestic abuse cases discussed at Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC)

Performance

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79	87	-8	-9.2%

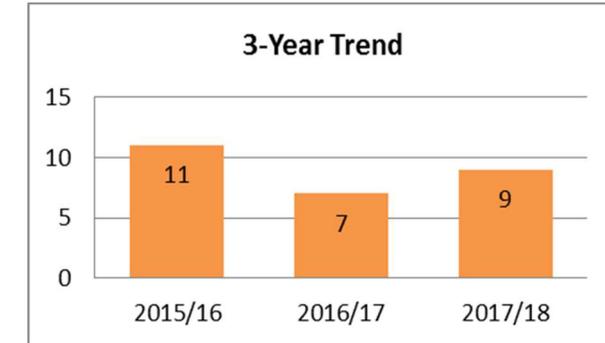
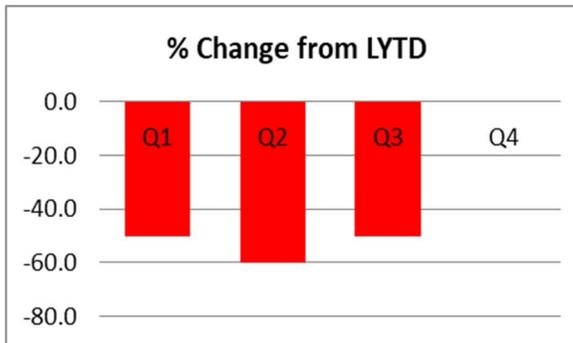


Source: MARAC

Increase the number of high risk offender referrals to Multi-Agency Tasking and Coordinating (MATAC) group

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
3	6	-3	-50%



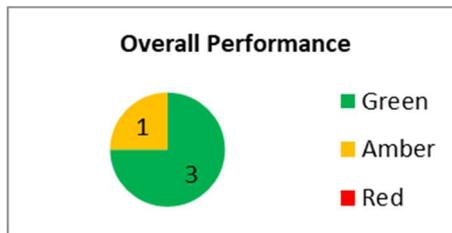
Source: Police Scotland

Strategic Priority 2 – Reduce the level and Impact of Substance Misuse through effective partnership working

Overall Summary

Overall Performance

Overall performance 4 indicators:



Key Successes

- Pro-active drug enforcement activity for the year to date has shown an increase in disclosures to Registered Social Landlords for consideration around potential tenancy agreement breaches. An increase of 125% on the same period last year. Privately owned property or private rental properties are not included.
- The SBC funded Community Action Team (CAT) has been active in enforcement activity both in relation to property searches under warrant but also on street intelligence leading to stop and search activity.
- Needle finds have reduced significantly in quarter 3, which is positive.
- In quarter 3 there were 8 ABI screenings completed. An Alcohol Brief Intervention (ABI) is always considered during face to face meetings with individuals accused of perpetrating ASB. A variety of factors impact upon the opportunity to undertake an ABI. The diligence around screening is the important factor which generates the ABI. 100% of those screened as eligible for an ABI had one performed.

Key Issues

- The number of incidents that are considered to be alcohol related is 2.2 percentage points higher than last year at this time. This is in part due to the proactive work being done by the CAT and other officers when policing events and addressing ASB concerns in the community.

Key Activities

- The Best Bar None 2018/19 annual licensed premises application and accreditation cycle is underway supporting self-regulation within the trade. To date 19 premises have participated. This award is coordinated nationally by the Scottish Business Resilience Centre supported locally by community safety partners.
- Festive activity was focused upon the night time economy and personal safety. The CAT tasking meeting was used to direct this resource and a broader social media campaign was used to raise awareness. Promotional material from the underage drinking campaign, "don't buy it, don't supply it", intended to support attitudinal change among those people who supply alcohol to U18's was distributed and the larger outlets displayed promotional material for the partnership.

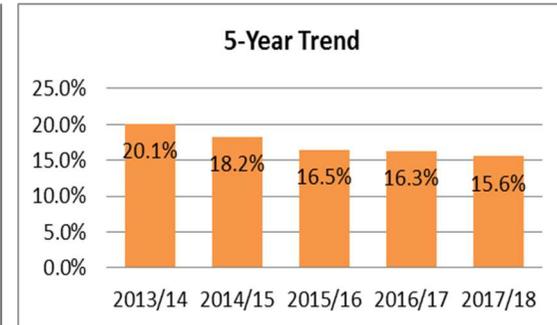
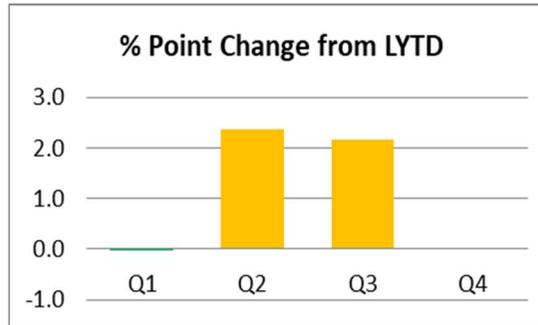
Strategic Priority 2 – Reduce the level and Impact of substance misuse through effective partnership working

Reduce the percentage of ASB incidents that are alcohol related

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
17.6%	15.4%	+2.2	-

Source: SCT Database

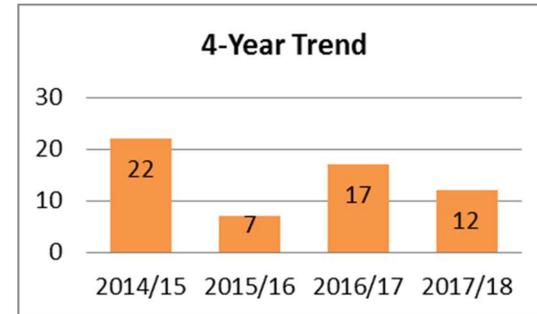
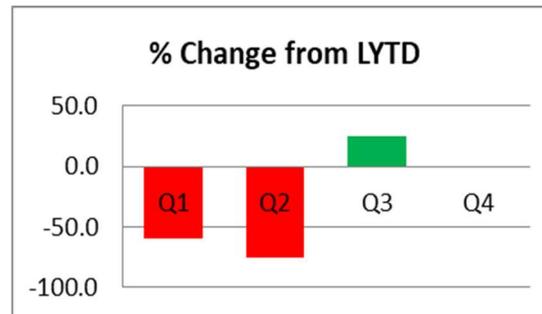


Increase the number of Alcohol Brief Intervention (ABI) screenings undertaken by the Antisocial Behaviour Unit (ASBU)

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
10	8	+2	+25%

Source: ASBU

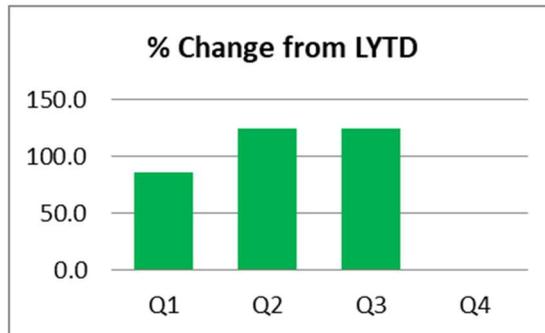


Strategic Priority 2 – Reduce the level and Impact of substance misuse through effective partnership working

Increase the number of referrals into the ASB process as a result of proactive drug enforcement

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
27	12	+15	+125%

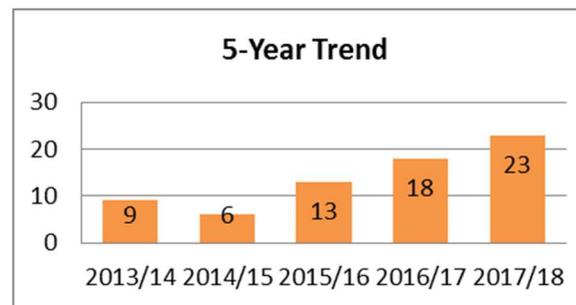


Source: SCT Database

Increase the number of "Best Bar None" premises

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
23	18	+5	+27.8%



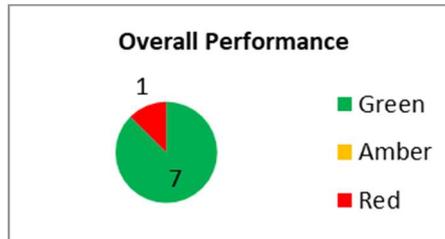
Source: Police Scotland

Strategic Priority 3 – Reduce the level and Impact of crime and antisocial behaviour through effective partnership working

Overall Summary

Overall Performance

Overall performance 8 indicators:



Key Successes

- The year to date trends across crime, ASB and vandalism have all shown an improvement compared to the same period last year, which is positive news. The improvement is likely to have resulted from a range of activities, for example, the multi-agency Core Group predominantly involving neighbour disputes, tasks allocated to the council funded Police Community Action Team and the work of the SBC event Safety Advisory Group in supporting the safe running of public events.
- There has been a reduction of 5.6% in people being monitored for anti-social behaviour and the number of early interventions undertaken by ASB partners has increased by 15.8%.
- Reductions in the number of complaints received for Antisocial Driving has been evident in some areas following some concentrated activity. Locations have been highlighted through the monthly CAT Oversight meeting and attention is being given to the identified areas with a view to encouraging drivers to reflect upon the consequences of their use of a motor vehicle, complaints are often noise related.
- In the lead up to Bonfire Night and the potential for offences relating to the sale of fireworks the community safety officer promoted the work of the Fire Service who were active in schools and licensed retail outlets. The community safety officer utilised social media to broaden awareness across the Scottish Borders.

Key Issues

- There has been a decrease in referrals to mediation but the success rate as a result of mediation remains high. Fluctuation in numbers is not uncommon The Mediation Officer has recently taken over the role of Gypsy Traveller Liaison Officer.

Strategic Priority 3 – Reduce the level and Impact of crime and antisocial behaviour through effective partnership working

Overall Summary

Key Activities

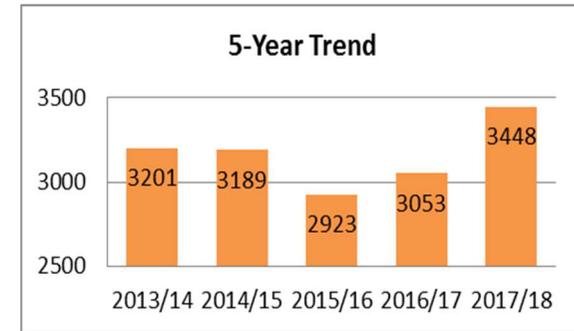
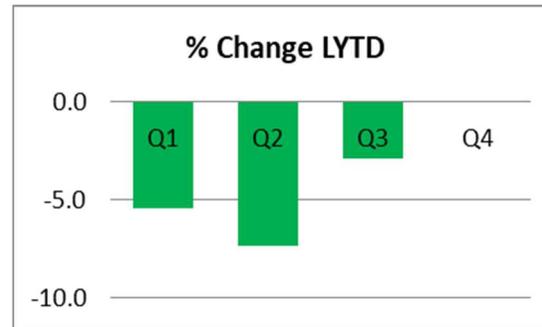
- The CAT have been active in moving road check activity to some of the more remote parts of the Borders to disrupt travelling criminals whether they are seeking to steal from farms or other remote premises or commit wildlife crime.
- Priorities are being set for the 2019 – 2021 period, identified through a strategic assessment. Proposals for more focused management information that is more reflective of the team composition are being developed.
- The community safety officer is collaborating with Social Work Children's Services in the promotion of the national campaign promoting on-line safety, which is scheduled for February 2019.
- The community safety officer will attend various Safety Advisory Group meetings to identify opportunities to mitigate any potential community impact at planned sporting and cultural events.
- Preparatory work is underway for a doorstep crime campaign in the spring.

Strategic Priority 3 – Reduce the level and Impact of crime and antisocial behaviour through effective partnership working

Reduce the number of group 1-5 crimes

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
2650	2728	-78	-2.9%

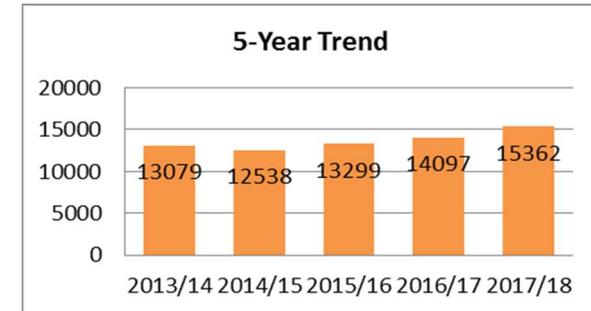
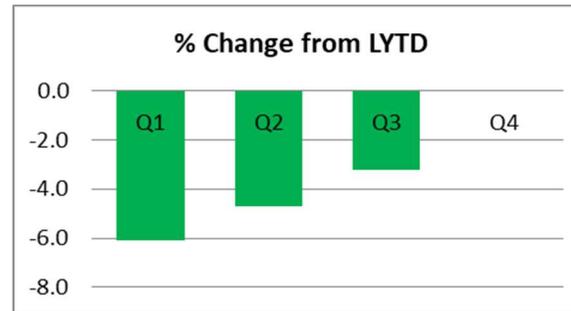


Source: Police Scotland

Reduce the number of recorded ASB incidents

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
11719	12109	-390	-3.2%



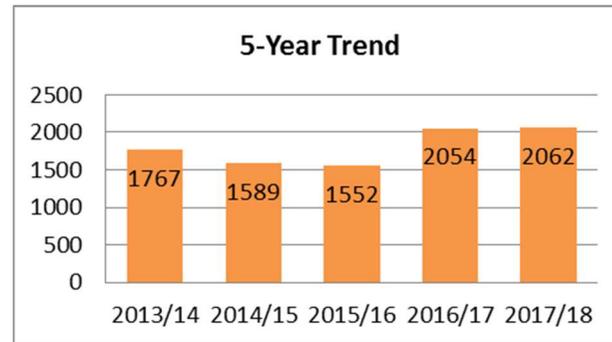
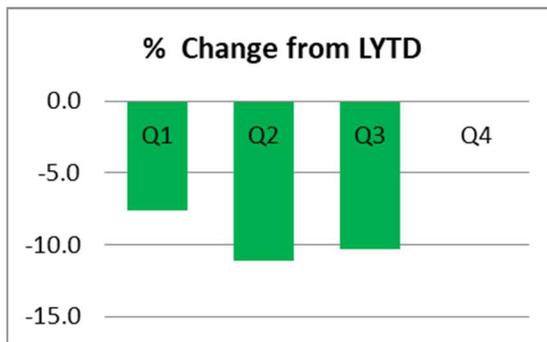
Source: SCT Database/ASBU/RSLs

Strategic Priority 3 – Reduce the level and Impact of crime and antisocial behaviour through effective partnership working

Reduce the number of youth related ASB incidents

Performance

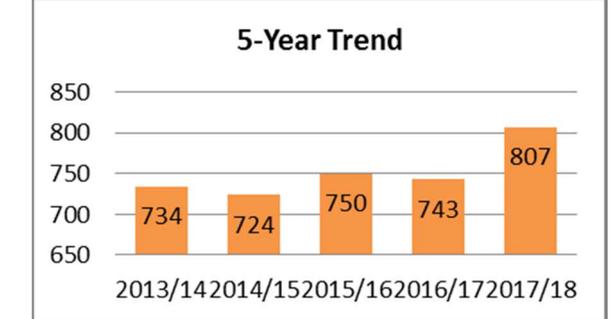
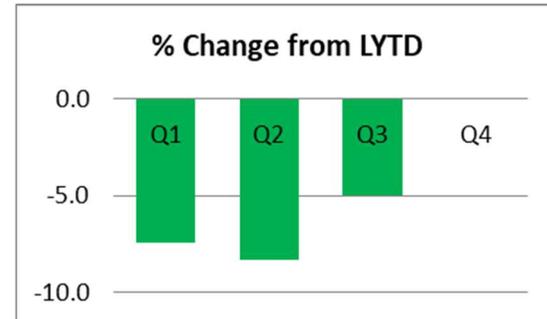
YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
1472	1641	-169	-10.3%



Source: SCT Database

Reduce the number of reported vandalism

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
612	644	-32	-5.0%



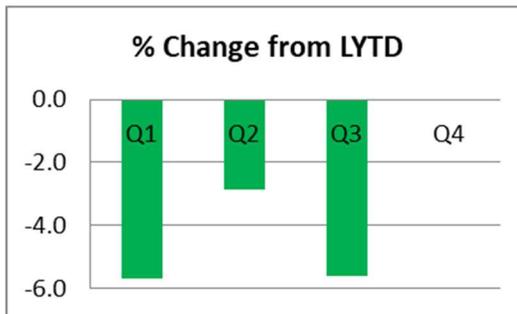
Source: Police Scotland

Strategic Priority 3 – Reduce the level and Impact of crime and antisocial behaviour through effective partnership working

Reduce the number of persons being monitored for antisocial behaviour

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
1175	1245	-70	-5.6%

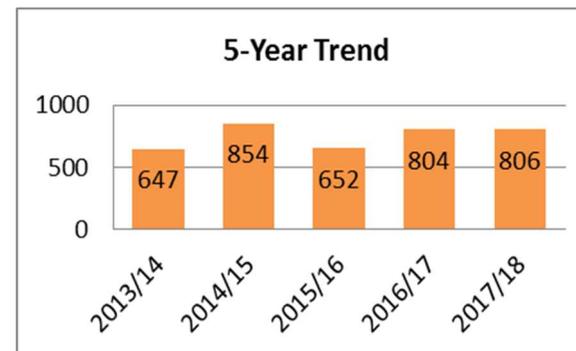
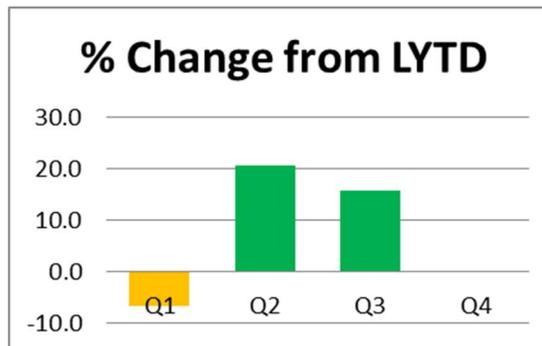


Source: ASBU

Increase the number of early interventions made by ASB partners

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
690	596	+94	+15.8%

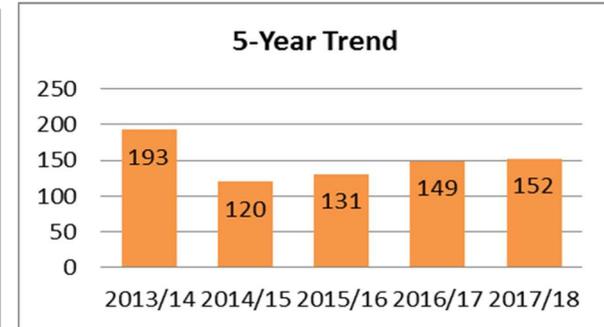
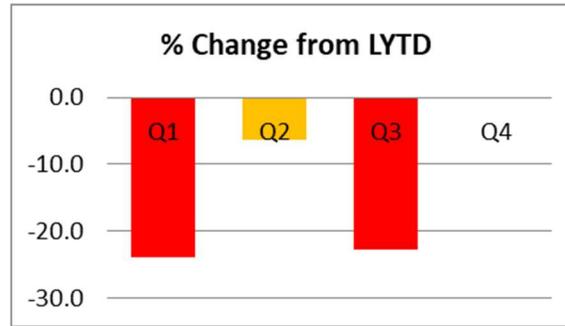


Strategic Priority 3 – Reduce the level and Impact of crime and antisocial behaviour through effective partnership working

Increase the number of mediation referrals

Performance

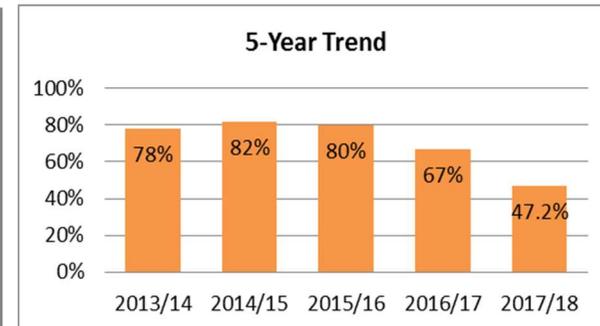
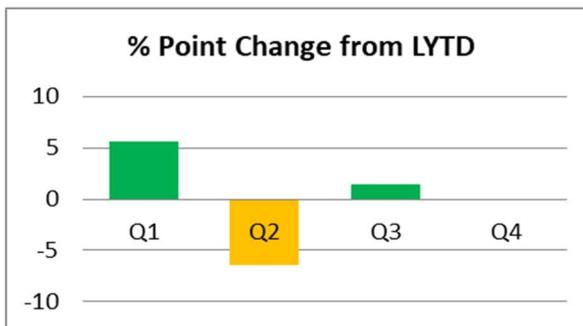
YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
88	114	-26	-22.8%



Source: ASBU

Increase the percentage of mediation cases that show agreement/improvement after mediation

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
93.6	92.1	+1.5	-



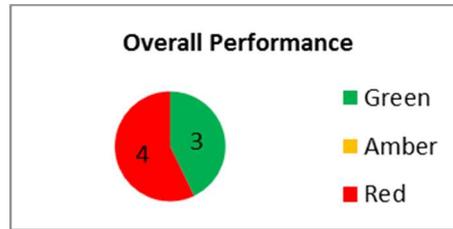
Source: ASBU

Strategic Priority 4 – Reduce the level and Impact of poor driver behaviour through effective partnership working

Overall Summary

Overall Performance

Overall performance 7 indicators:



Key Successes

- Drivewise Borders 2018/19 has concluded and the programme received two awards, a Crimestoppers Partnership Award and a Motor Industry award for road safety. The pre-driving experience at Charterhall saw in excess of 600 young people participate. 17 motorcyclists and 18 young drivers completed the Advanced Riding/Driving Course. 223 older drivers attended the information sessions and 186 of those drivers took advantage of the associated refresher drive. Plans are underway to build on the learning from the programme and revise arrangements for the 2019/20 period.
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Key Issues

- The number of collisions resulting in a casualty remain on an upward trend, the circumstances of each are considered to identify opportunities to prevent a further occurrence.
- Irresponsible parking and complaints around speeding remain a concern for residents in the Borders and are being identified by the CAT Oversight Group. The CAT are addressing these issues in conjunction with Roads Policing as part of a wider road safety profile.

Key Activities

- As part of the festive campaign drink driving and preparing for winter driving formed the basis of the narrative. Social media and local media outlets were used to highlight some of the key messages delivered during Drivewise.
- The community safety officer secured funding for lights and other items of equipment to increase the visibility of young people engaged in delivery rounds given the restricted visibility during darkness.

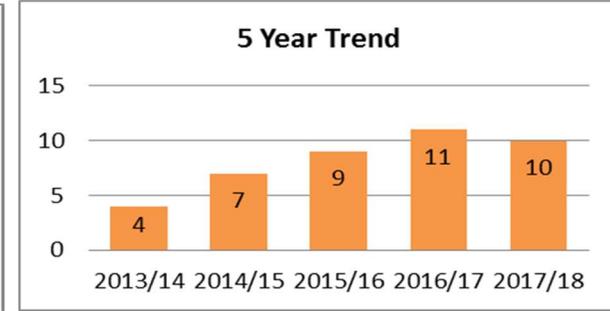
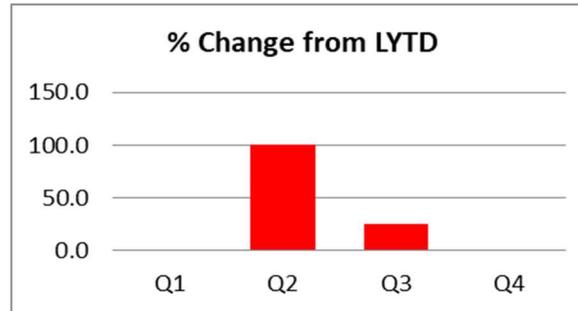
Strategic Priority 4 – Reduce the level and Impact of poor driver behaviour through effective partnership working

Reduce the number of road users killed or seriously injured

Performance

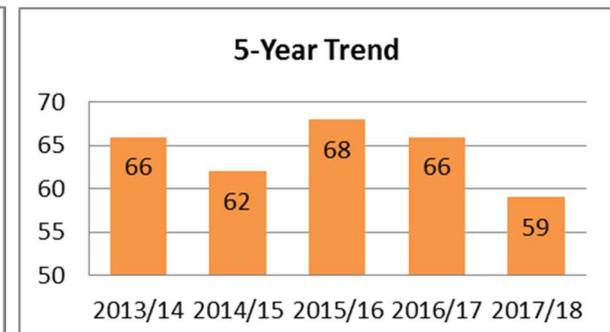
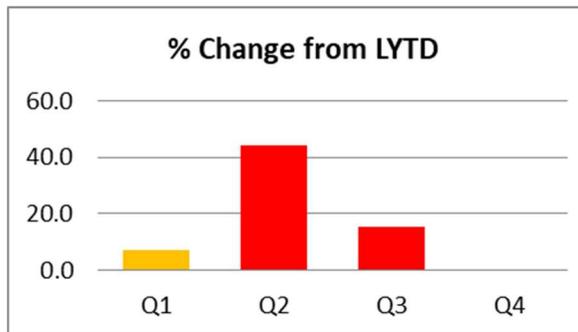
Killed

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
10	8	+2	+25%



Seriously Injured

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
52	45	+7	+15.6%



N.B. The figure is provisional at this time

Source: Police Scotland

Strategic Priority 4 – Reduce the level and Impact of poor driver behaviour through effective partnership working

Reduce the number of children killed or seriously injured on our roads

Performance

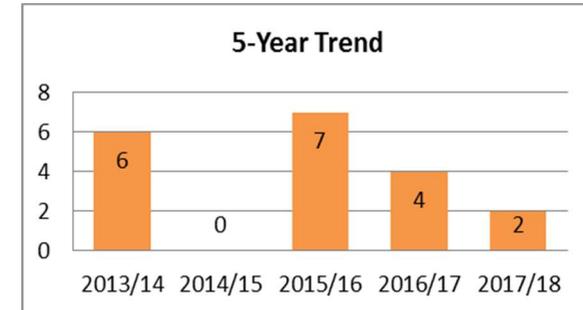
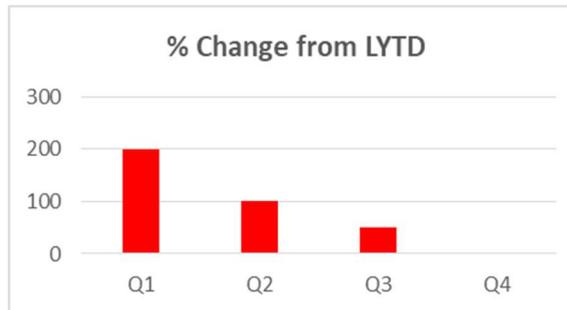
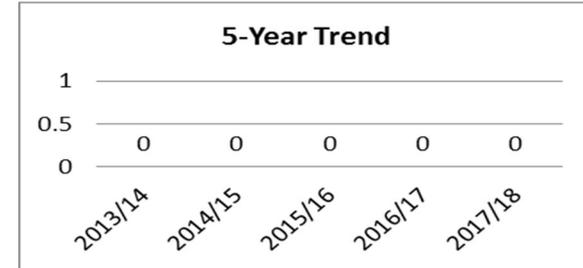
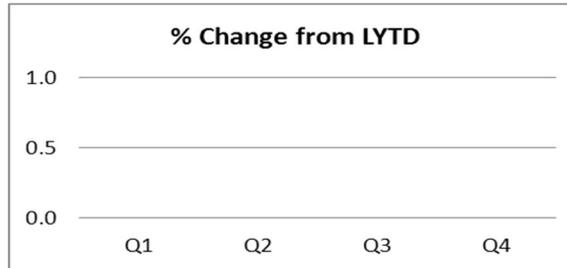
Killed

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
0	0	0	0

Seriously Injured

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
3	2	+1	+50%

Source: Police Scotland

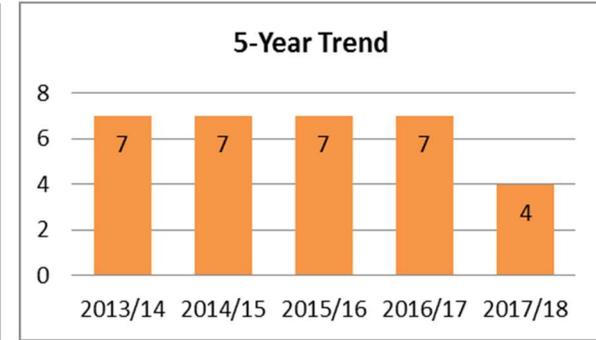
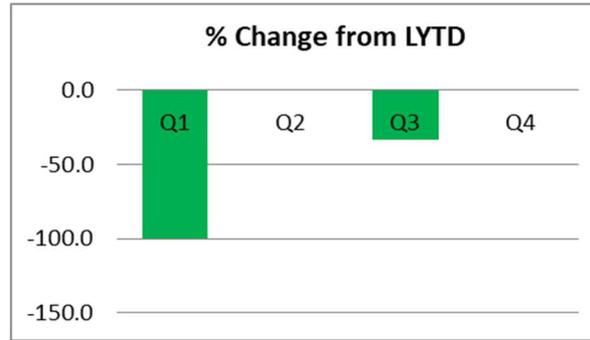


Strategic Priority 4 – Reduce the level and Impact of poor driver behaviour through effective partnership working

Reduce the number of young drivers aged 17-25 killed or seriously injured on our roads

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
2	3	-1	-33.3%

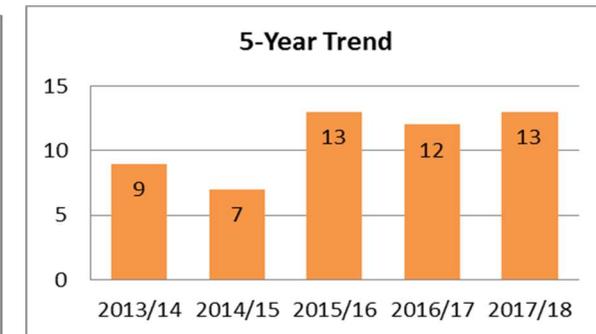
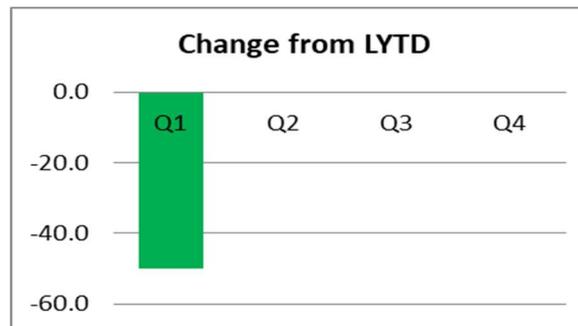


Source: Police Scotland

Reduce the number of older drivers aged 65+ killed or seriously injured on our roads

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
12	12	0	0%



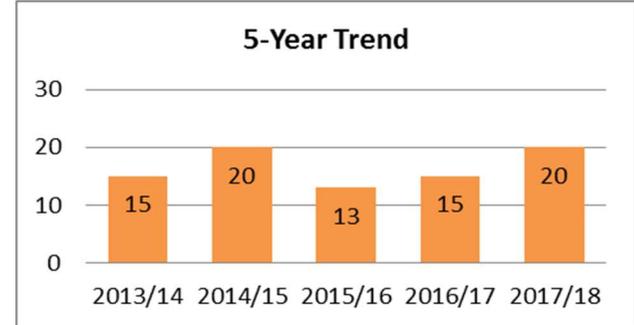
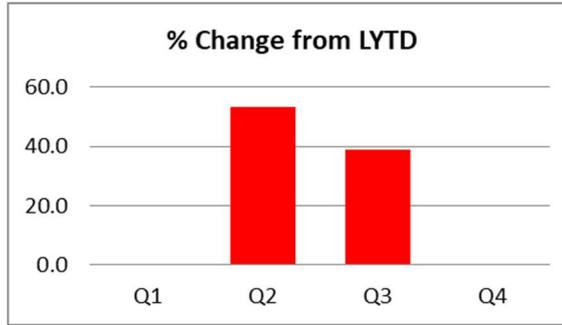
Source: Police Scotland

Strategic Priority 4 – Reduce the level and Impact of poor driver behaviour through effective partnership working

Reduce the number of motorcyclists killed or seriously injured on our roads

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
25	18	+7	38.9%



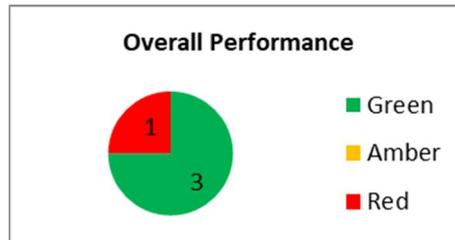
Source: Police Scotland

Strategic Priority 5 – Reduce the level and Impact of accidents in the home through effective partnership working

Overall Summary

Overall Performance

Overall performance 4 indicators:



Key Successes

- Since the launch of the “Living Safely In The Home” (LSITH) project in the Cheviot Locality on 1st June 2016 through to 31st December 2018, the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) have successfully referred, with consent, 93 individuals to the Cheviot Community Health Care Team (CCHT) in relation to falls.
- Adult and child protection referrals from RSLs have increased significantly in the year to date and referrals from other partners have been steady.

Key Issues

- Rollout of the LSITH project to other localities is currently suspended until the alignment of the SFRS national approach to Safe and Well visits is completed through the transformation programme.

Key Activities

- Material for the ‘Keep your child safe’ poisoning campaign has been distributed to childcare venues to promote the issue among parents and guardians, this has been accompanied by some digital media activity.

Strategic Priority 5 – Reduce the level and Impact of accidents in the home through effective partnership working

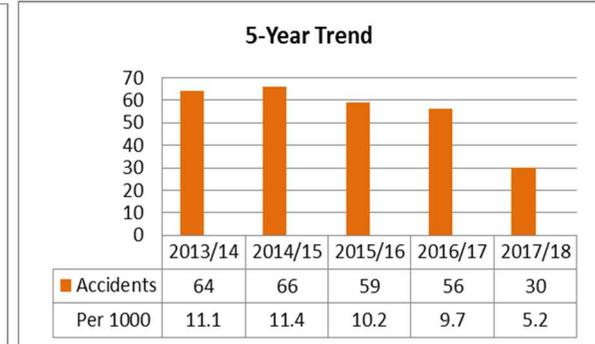
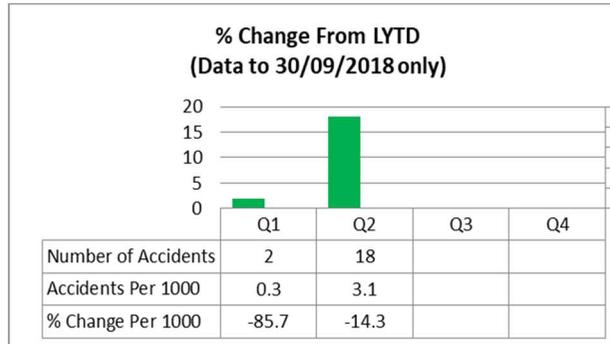
Reduce the number of emergency hospital admissions for children under 5 where a home accident is recorded as the main reason for attendance (per 1000 population)

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
3.1	3.6	-0.5	-14.3

Data only available to the end of quarter 2 2018/19

Source: NHS BGH



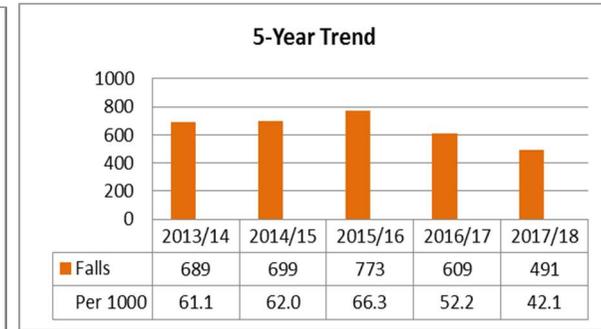
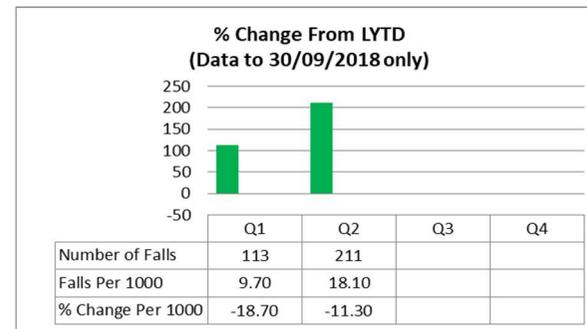
Reduce the number of emergency hospital admissions for 75+ where a fall is recorded as the main reason for attendance (per 1000 population)

Performance

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18.1	20.4	-2.3	-11.3

Data only available to the end of quarter 2 2018/19

Source: NHS BGH

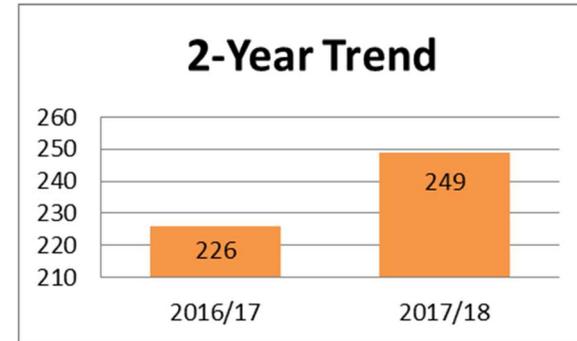
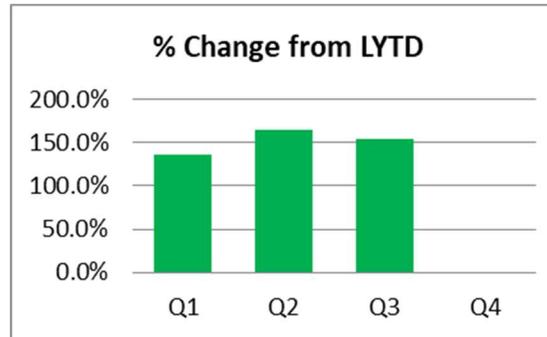


Strategic Priority 5 – Reduce the level and Impact of accidents in the home through effective partnership working

Increase the number of actioned Fire Service adult and child protection referrals received from Safer Communities

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
457	180	+277	+153.9%

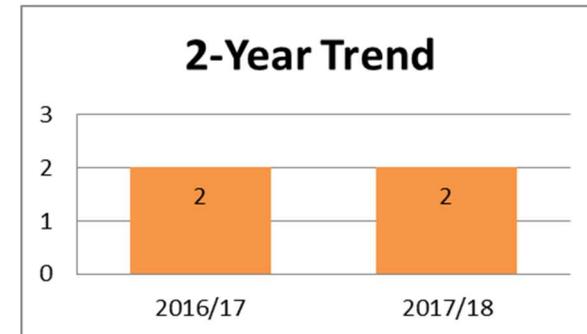
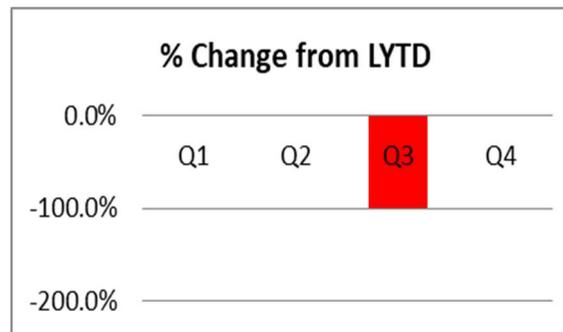


Source: SFRS

Increase the number of Fire Service fuel poverty referrals generated

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
0	1	-1	-100%



Source: SFRS

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SAFER COMMUNITIES TEAM

PROPOSED SCRUTINY REPORT STRUCTURE FROM 1ST APRIL 2019

BRIEFING NOTE

Background

The Strategic Assessment Review conducted by the Safer Communities Team in 2018 resulted in three priorities for the team being identified for 2019/22:

- **Through effective partnership working fewer adults and children experience Gender Based Violence**
- **Through effective partnership working fewer people experience Crime and Antisocial Behaviour**
- **Work in partnership to develop a response to reduce injury and prevent accidents.**

The priorities were discussed and agreed at the Scrutiny meeting in November 2018.

Following on from the Strategic Assessment work the Safer Communities Team have been reviewing the performance indicators that are currently presented to Scrutiny each quarter and are proposing changes to the indicators that more accurately reflect the work of the team and will allow for better scrutiny of the services provided by the team in delivering on our priorities.

Performance Indicator Changes

The review of the current performance indicators resulted in some indicators being identified as needing to be retired, some new indicators being identified that allow for better scrutiny of the work of the team and some rationalisation of the information currently presented where there is an overlap between Police and Safer Communities Team reporting.

Scrutiny Report Changes

The overall structure of the 2019/20 Scrutiny report will be similar to the report currently presented but reflects the identified proposed changes to the indicators to be implemented from 1st April 2019.

A draft revised report is included with this note to allow Scrutiny Board members to consider what changes are being proposed. More detail about the individual indicators and the report structure will be presented during the Scrutiny meeting on 8th February 2019. However we considered it important that Scrutiny Board members had sufficient time to review the proposed changes prior to the meeting.

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DRAFT PROPOSED SCRUTINY REPORT
(examples, where available, are from 01/04/18 to 31/12/18)
Quarterly Performance Report
July 2019

Period Covered: 1 April 2019 to 30 June 2019

“Making the Scottish Borders a safer place to live, work and visit”

Key: Green – Performance Improved, Amber – Performance Reduced < 15%, Red – Performance Reduced >15%

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Strategic Priority – Through effective partnership working fewer adults and children experience Gender Based Violence

Overall Summary

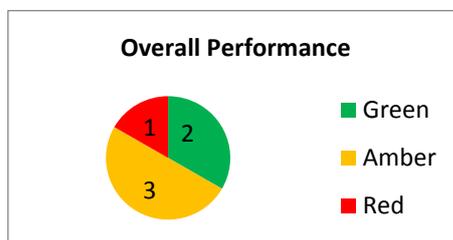
Performance Context

The number of domestic abuse incidents reported to Police Scotland in the year to data 1st April 2018 to 31st December 2018 is 767. This is 63 incidents (7.6%) lower than 2017 over the same time period.

There has been a corresponding reduction in the number of cases referred to DAAS when compared to 2017. However, referrals to all domestic abuse services (DAAS, SHO, DAAO and CAS) are very similar to last year at this point

Domestic Abuse Services Overall Performance

Overall performance 6 indicators:



Key Successes

- The CEDAR Graduates have been recognised for their achievements in completing CEDAR, by two awards - CEDAR Mums Graduates won an adult learners award in recognition of the skills and knowledge they developed in preparing and delivering a number of workshops on domestic abuse at the 2018 Scottish Borders CEDAR Conference, and the children/young people won an Inspiring Youth Award in recognition of their courage in sharing their experiences, and raising awareness of domestic abuse in their communities.
- The Safe Housing Options service continues to be regarded as a good example of providing housing alternatives for victims of domestic abuse, with the delivery of a workshop and discussion group at the National Chartered Institute of Housing Conference in December.

Key Issues

- The longer term funding profile for Domestic Abuse Services is being considered as part of a wider public protection review.

Key Activities

- The Gender Based Violence Strategic Assessment has been completed and priorities for the next 3 years have been established. Work has now started on defining activities that will deliver on our stated priorities.

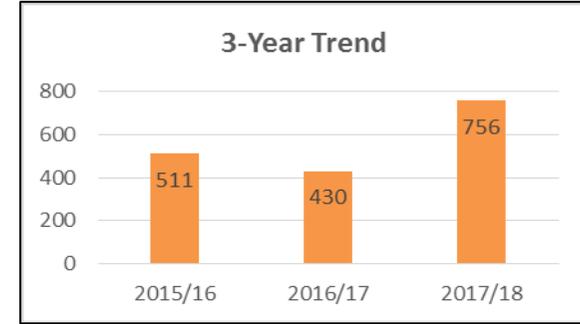
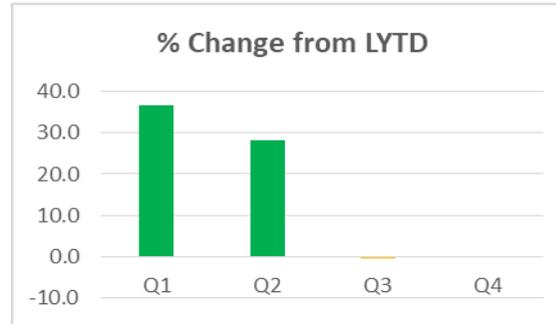
Strategic Priority – Through effective partnership working fewer adults and children experience Gender Based Violence

Increase the number of referrals to Safer Communities Domestic Abuse Support Services (Adults)

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
552	554	-2	-0.4%

Source: DAAS/DAAO/SHO/CAS

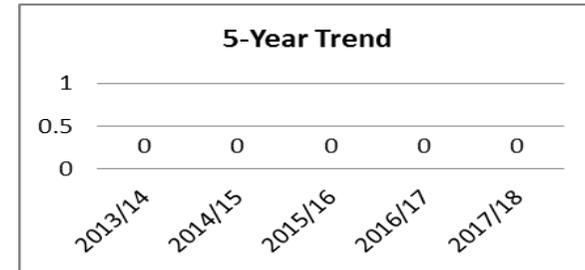
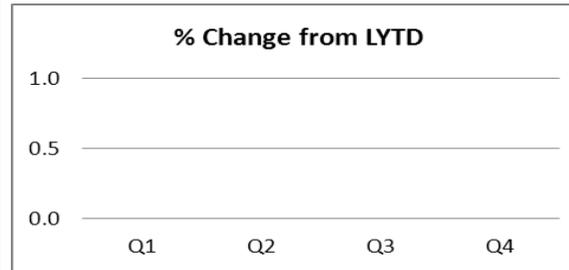


Reduce the number of repeat referrals (adults) to Domestic Abuse Support Services

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
0	0	0	0

Source: DAAS/DAAO/SHO/CAS



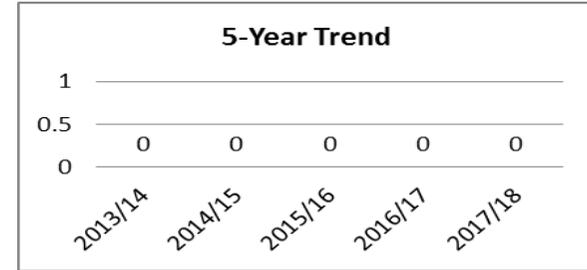
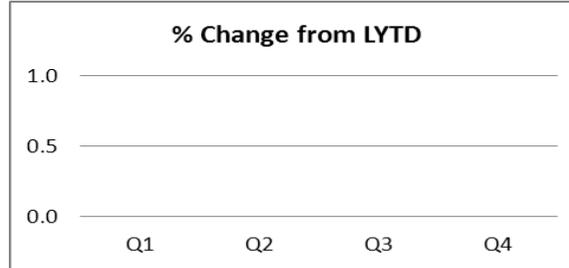
Strategic Priority – Through effective partnership working fewer adults and children experience Gender Based Violence

Maintain/Increase the percentage of clients contacted by Domestic Abuse Support Services (adults) within agreed timescales

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
0	0	0	0

Source: DAAS/DAAO/SHO/CAS



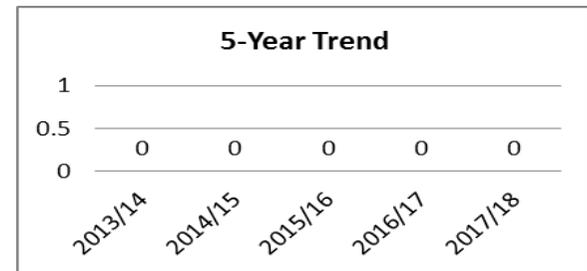
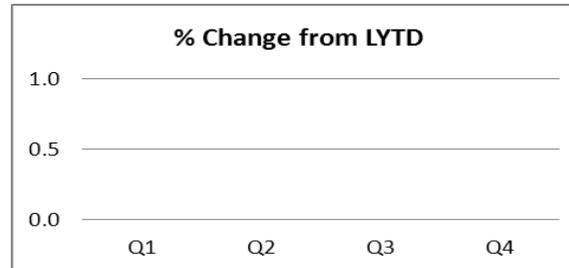
90% of referrals contacted within 24 working hours for Police and Self referrals and 90% of referrals contacted within 48 working hours for Agency referrals.

Increase the number of children referred to CEDAR

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
0	0	0	0

Source: CEDAR



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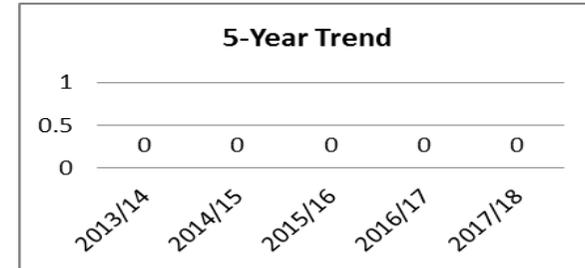
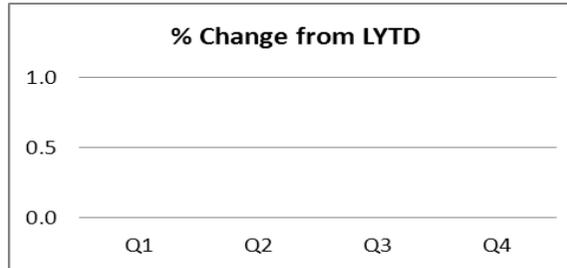
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Increase the number of children accessing CEDAR Groups

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
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Source: CEDAR

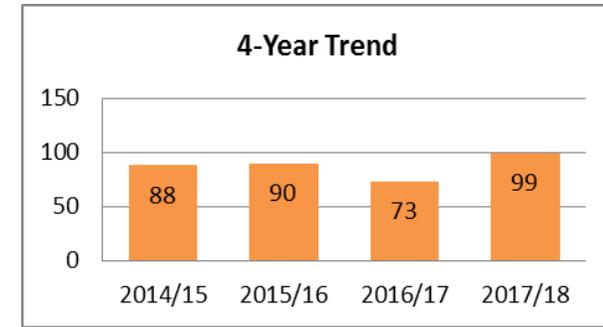
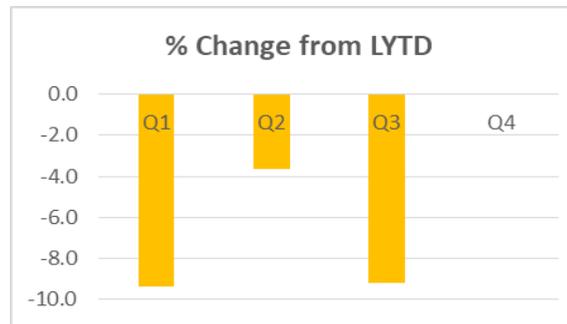


Increase the number of high risk domestic abuse cases referred to MARAC

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
79	87	-8	-9.2%

Source: MARAC



Strategic Priority – Through effective partnership working fewer people experience antisocial behaviour

Overall Summary

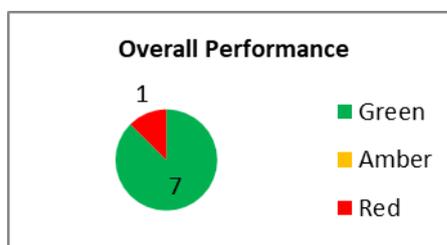
Performance Context

The year to date trends shows a reduction in group 1-5 crime by 2.9% and ASB by 3.2% from 1st April 2018 to 31st December 2018 when compared to the same time period in 2017. The improvement is likely to have resulted from a range of activities, for example, the multi-agency Core Group predominantly involving neighbour disputes, tasks allocated to the council funded Police Community Action Team and the work of the SBC event Safety Advisory Group in supporting the safe running of public events.

There has been a reduction of 5.6% in people being monitored for anti-social behaviour and the number of early interventions undertaken by ASB partners has increased by 15.8%.

Overall Performance

Overall performance 8 indicators:



Key Successes

Key Issues

- There has been a decrease in referrals to mediation but the success rate as a result of mediation remains high. The Mediation officer has recently taken over the role of Travelling Community Liaison Officer.

Key Activities

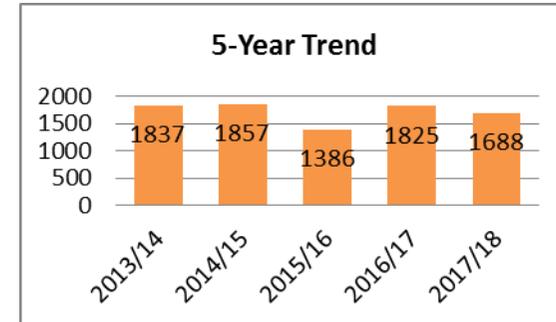
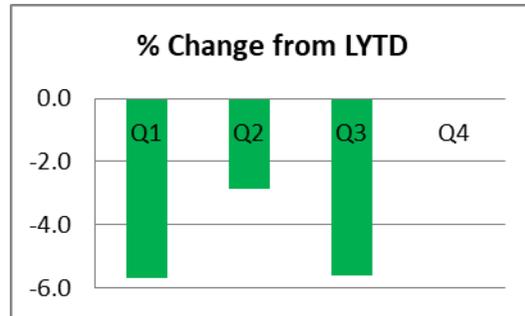
Strategic Priority – Through effective partnership working fewer people experience antisocial behaviour

Reduce the number of persons being monitored for antisocial behaviour

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
1175	1245	-70	-5.6%

Source: ASBU

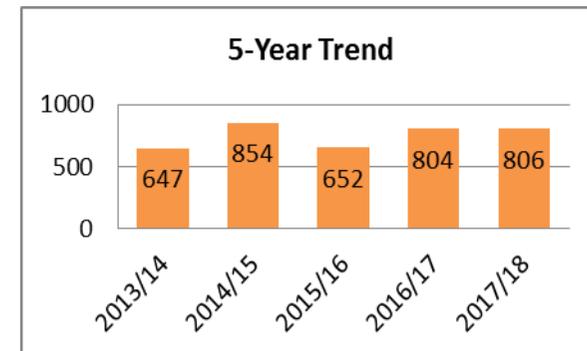
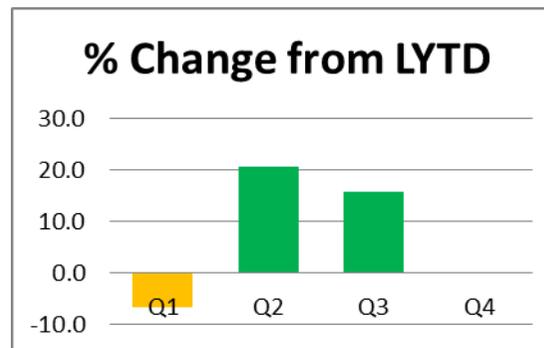


Increase the number of early interventions made by ASB partners

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
690	596	+94	+15.8%

Source: ASBU

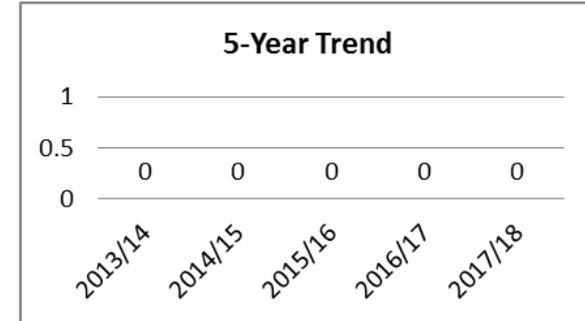
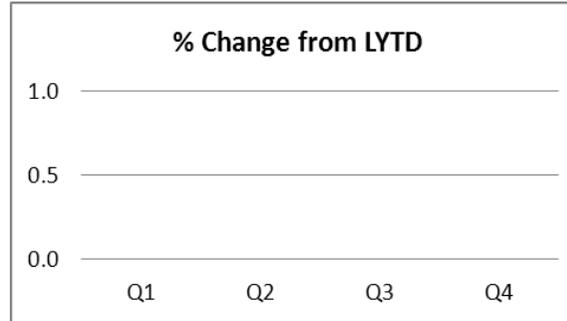


Strategic Priority – Through effective partnership working fewer people experience antisocial behaviour

Reduce the number of cases referred to the antisocial behaviour case review process

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
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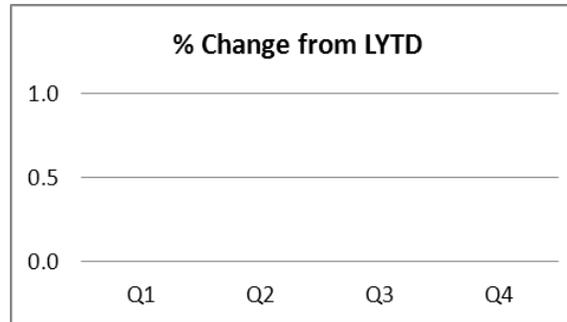


Source: ASBU

Increase the number of monitoring cases closed

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
0	0	0	0



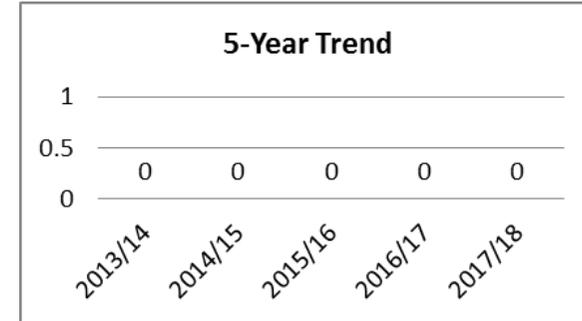
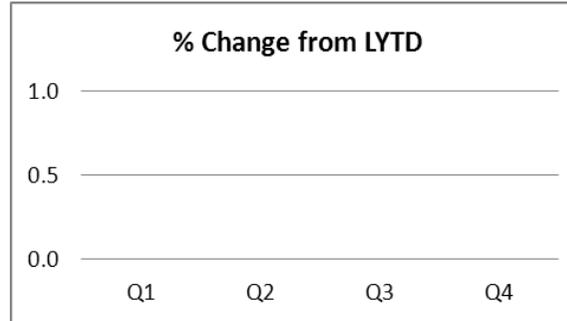
Source: ASBU

Strategic Priority – Through effective partnership working fewer people experience antisocial behaviour

Reduce the number of currently open monitoring cases that are showing an escalation in antisocial behaviour

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
0	0	0	0

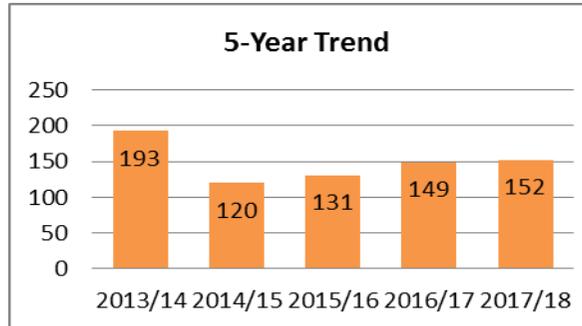
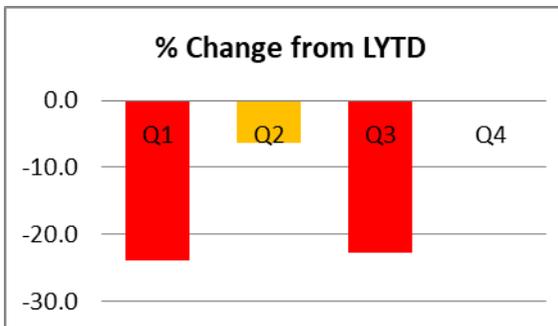


Source: ASBU

Increase the number of mediation referrals

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
88	114	-26	-22.8%



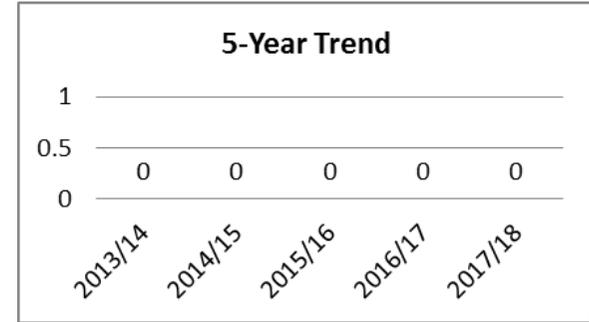
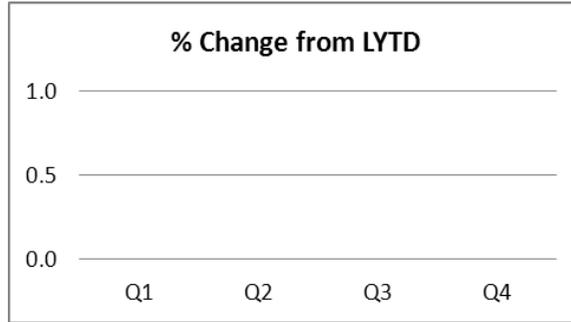
Source: Mediation

Strategic Priority – Through effective partnership working fewer people experience antisocial behaviour

Reduce the percentage of mediation referrals that become mediation cases

Performance

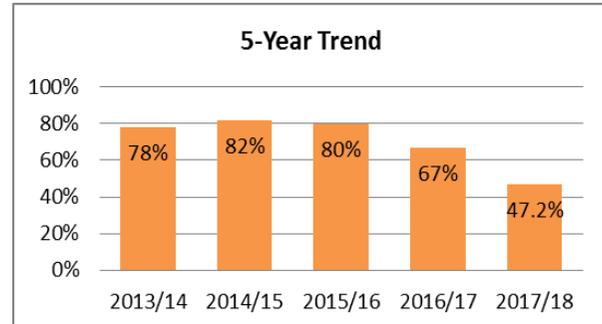
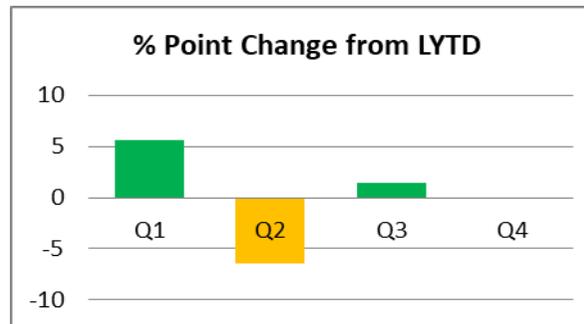
YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
0	0	0	0



Source: Mediation

Increase the percentage of mediation cases that show agreement/improvement after mediation

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
93.6	92.1	+1.5	-



Source: Mediation

Strategic Priority – Work in partnership to reduce injury and prevent accidents

Overall Summary

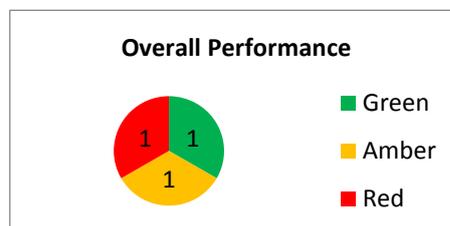
Performance Context

Road safety remains a key focus for the team. Unfortunately the number of casualties on our road from 1st April to 31st December is worse than at the same point in 2017. With 10 fatalities (2 more than 2017) and 51 serious injuries (7 more than 2017).

For the team's priority areas of focus accidents involving motorcyclists remain a concern with 25 fatal or serious casualties between 1st April to 31st December 2018, 7 more than 2017 for the same time period.

Overall Performance

Overall performance 3 indicators:



Key Areas of Focus from 1st April 2019 – 30th June 2019 (Quarter 1)

- Rugby Sevens
- Drivewise Over 65
- Schools Countryside Day
- Drowning Awareness Week
- Common Ridings
- Child Safety Week
- Bogus Callers
- Water Safety

Key Areas of Focus from 1st July 2019 – 30th September 2019 (Quarter 2)

- Common Ridings
- Borders Union Show
- Drivewise Over 65
- Borders College/Heriot Watt University Fresher's Week
- Fire Safety
- Outdoor Safety

Strategic Priority – Work in partnership to reduce injury and prevent accidents

Hate Crime (There will be a section like this for each focus area identified for the quarter)

Scale of the Issue

Activities Undertaken

Outcomes

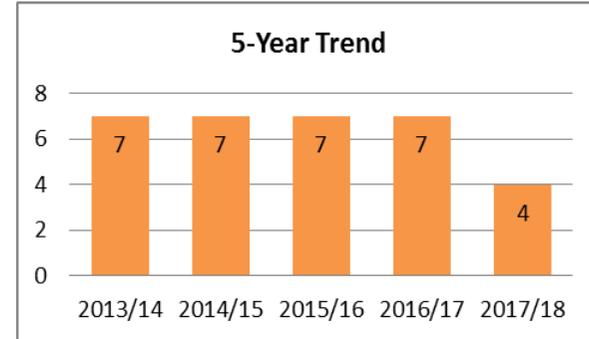
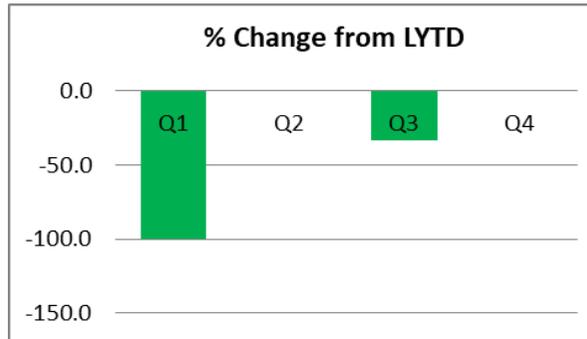
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Strategic Priority – Work in partnership to reduce injury and prevent accidents

Reduce the number of young drivers aged 17-25 killed or seriously injured on our roads

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
2	3	-1	-33.3%

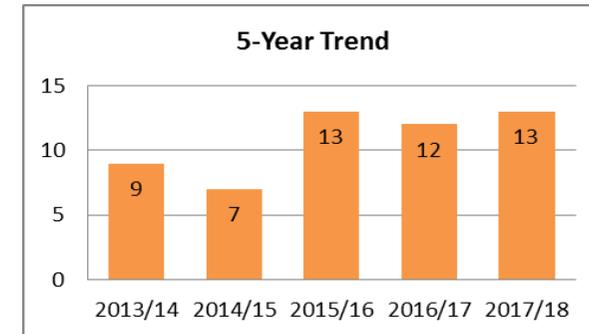
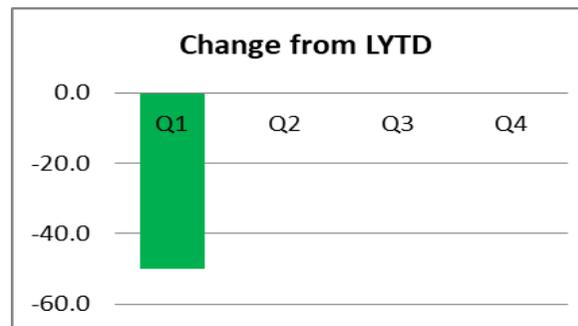


Source: Police Scotland

Reduce the number of older drivers aged 65+ killed or seriously injured on our roads

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
12	12	0	0%



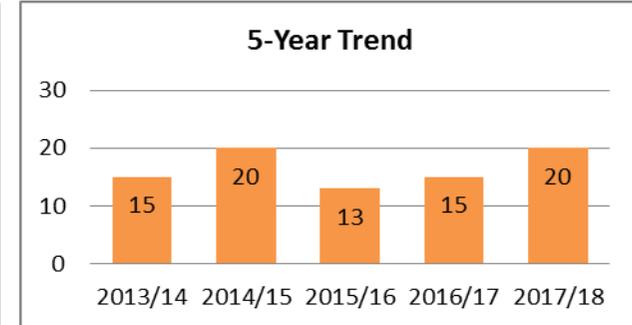
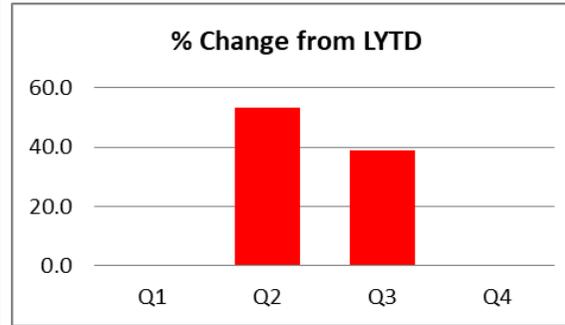
Source: Police Scotland

Strategic Priority – Work in partnership to reduce injury and prevent accidents

Reduce the number of motorcyclists killed or seriously injured on our roads

Performance

YTD	LYTD	Change Value	Change %
25	18	+7	38.9%



Source: Police Scotland