

November 2017



**Report from
Inspector Carol Wood
Inspector John Scott**

This report will update the **Cheviot Locality Committee** on performance, activities and issues across the Ward for the period 1ST September to the 31st October 2017.

The Ward Plan Priorities for each area:

Jedburgh and District Ward

Drugs Dealing & Misuse

Official stop and search figures will be reported to the Police and Fire Scrutiny Board.

During the reporting period four persons were charged with possessing a controlled substance. These were all within Jedburgh.

Additionally one male was reported for production of a cannabis cultivation and supplying a controlled substance. The cultivation was discovered when officers attended at an address in an outlying area of Jedburgh.

We will remain visible in the community to develop intelligence on people who deal in and use controlled drugs. We will continue to work with our partners, combining education and enforcement strategies. We continue to receive intelligence from the public in relation to drug matters whether that is persons being in possession or persons dealing drugs and we would encourage this. Completely anonymous information can be left on Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Road Safety

There have been very few incidents of note during the reporting period relating to road issues:

In the early morning of 21st October 2017, a passing motorist came across a one vehicle accident just north of Jedburgh on the A68. The driver had exited the vehicle uninjured. Officers attended and the male was found to be under the influence of alcohol. He was subsequently charged with a drink driving offence and reported accordingly.

On 20th October 2017 a report was received of careless driving. The driver of a vehicle had overtaken another vehicle in a dangerous position, just north of Jedburgh. The complainant needed to take evasive action to prevent a road crash. A positive line of enquiry is being progressed to trace the offending driver.

During the reporting period a number of road checks have been carried out. This resulted in one driver being issued with a fixed penalty notice for speeding offence.

NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED

Antisocial Behaviour

A number of individuals have been charged with causing a breach of the peace. These incidents are isolated and there is no pattern to them.

We continue to engage with those responsible for any antisocial behaviour in the ward area and there are a number of ongoing matters being dealt with at present in Jedburgh. These are being addressed through partnership with the Anti Social Behaviour Unit and relevant Landlords.

Rural Crime

We have continued to receive reports of fuel thefts from vehicles in Jedburgh / Ancrum and St Boswells. There does not appear to be any pattern to these thefts and enquiries are continuing into the reports.

Overnight on 16/18th September 2017, pens containing partridges were opened near to Longleefoot Farm and the birds set free. Enquiries are continuing this incident although due to the rural location it will be difficult to detect this.

Overnight on 27/28th September 2017, a shed at Longnewton Sawmill was entered and property stolen. Again the rural location makes it difficult to establish who was responsible for this theft.

Kelso and District Ward

On 30th October the new Kelso Station Assistant commenced working for Police Scotland and is presently undergoing her training. We welcome Jenny Inkster to the station and look forward to working with her.

Dishonesty

Police are investigating a fraud where an 85-year-old man was visited at home in Tweedsyde Park, Kelso, he gained access to his personal computer and removed a five figure sum of money from his bank account. This occurred between the 23rd and 26th October. This is an unusual crime in that the culprits tricked their way into the home to commit the crime rather than doing this on the telephone or online.

Inquiries are ongoing to identify the suspect and communities are reminded never to let any unsolicited callers into their homes or provide them with access to any of your personal details or information. Keeping your information safe is crucial and those involved in these crimes are simply looking for an easy victim.

If you have any concerns regarding personal security or those of your family who may be vulnerable, advice is available on the Police Scotland website.

Road Safety

NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED

NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED

Drivers are reminded to pay particular attention to the road conditions over the coming months in particular on rural roads. It is reported that there will be some prolonged cold conditions in the coming weeks and drivers should pay attention to advice issued by Scottish Borders Council and the Police with regards to road conditions. The SB Alert messaging system is used widely by agencies and weather and driving advice will be issued through this system.

There have been no drink driving offences detected in the reporting period.

Drug Dealing and Misuse Of Drugs

There have been 5 drugs offences in the Kelso area in the reporting period, all of these relate to possession offences.

Antisocial Behaviour

Anyone who is the victim of antisocial behaviour, should report this at the time of the incident to the police or if it is an ongoing issue, this can be reported to the Antisocial Behaviour Unit helpline on **0800 028 5711**.

Following a number of complaints regarding Antisocial Behaviour in Roger Fish Gardens, a public meeting was held led by Rt Hon John Lamont MP. As a result further diary sheets were issued and residents visited to request the reporting of any further issues.

Other Information

Sheep Worrying

Police Scotland are running a month long campaign to prevent livestock worrying.

The Scottish Partnership Against Rural Crime, a multi-agency partnership which includes Police Scotland, National Farmers Union of Scotland and Scottish Land & Estates, is working with Scottish Natural Heritage, the Kennel Club and the National Sheep Association (Scotland) to promote responsible dog walking in the countryside.

Rural dog owners and those who choose to exercise their dogs in the countryside must ensure they are under control at all times and try to avoid going into fields where livestock is grazing.

The worrying of sheep and other livestock by dogs not only has an obvious financial and emotional impact on farmers when their animals are killed or injured, but also has an effect on the animals themselves, their productivity and welfare.

We are encouraging farmers and landowners to engage with dog walkers and to help keep them informed by putting up signs on gateways and on key roads and paths alerting them to the presence of sheep and other livestock in their fields and suggesting alternative routes

NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED

NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED

Farmers and those who use the countryside are urged to report all incidents of livestock worrying to police on 101 or 999 in an emergency.

Police Scotland will robustly enforce the existing legislation, ensuring all reported cases of livestock being attacked by dogs are thoroughly investigated and offenders reported to the Procurator Fiscal.

You're View Counts

Police Scotland are continuing to consult communities on what their policing priorities are. We would encourage all Community Council to promote the survey and to take the time to complete it on line.

The survey takes just 5 minutes and this has informed us on what matters locally.

The results of the survey are updated with the results from each quarter and this will allow us to shape the priorities going forward.

<http://www.scotland.police.uk/about-us/decision-making/public-consultation/local-policing-consultation/>

PI John Scott
Community Inspector ECPA
'J' Division
Police Scotland
Kelso Police Station
Scottish Borders
Email: john.scott@Scotland.pnn.Police.uk

PI Carol Wood
Community Inspector South
Scottish Borders
'J' Division
Police Scotland
Hawick Police Station
Tel: 01450 375051
Email: carol.wood@scotland.pnn.police.uk

Website: www.scotland.police.uk
Facebook: www.facebook.com/PoliceScotland
Twitter: [twitter@BordersPolice.com](https://twitter.com/BordersPolice.com)

Police Scotland Non Emergency number 101

Crimestoppers: 0800 555 111

NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED