

**Rhu and Shandon Community Council meeting – Beat 17 08/02/17-11/04/2017**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Locus</b>	<b>Crime/Incident</b>	<b>Persons charged/Arrested</b>
06/03/17	Church Pl, Rhu	Breach of the Peace	1 x male reported
12/03/17	Helensburgh Sailing Club	Theft by inflatable dinghy	Enq continue

**Police Scotland – 2026 Strategy - Consultation**

- Draft 10 year plan for Policing services – Full details on Police Scotland website and opportunity for communities to contribute feedback/views.

**Road Safety**

- Local officers and Road Policing unit continue to carry out patrols/speed checks in area, and this will continue throughout Spring/Summer months.

**Fraudulent scams**

Helensburgh Police have been made aware of a current scam trying to dupe unsuspecting victims into purchasing iTunes or UKash. The criminals involved in this crime are very convincing and often pretend to be from large well known organisations, claiming that victims owe substantial outstanding debts and using threats that they could lose their home or be arrested unless they purchase the above vouchers or make payments to pay these fictitious debts. Anyone could be targeted during this scam and victims may panic into providing personal information, banking details or buying vouchers. Large companies will not contact customers in this way and will never ask you to purchase vouchers or transfer funds directly to them in this way. If you receive any contact whether via a phonecall, letter, email or text message asking for personal information and you are in any doubt, end the call, do not engage or provide any personal information. It is always safer to obtain a current legitimate contact number for the company concerned to confirm if the contact was genuine or not. If you believe you have been a victim of this type of scam or are concerned a neighbour or relative is being targeted, please contact your local police office by calling Police Scotland on 101 for further advice.

**Bogus Workmen**

- Unfortunately there can be a rise in Bogus workmen type crimes during spring/summer months. Police Scotland is reminding residents to be wary of any bogus workmen or cold callers either to your home address or via telephone calls, text messages or emails purporting to be from large companies offering to carry out computer or other home/garden maintenance.