

Police Report, JANUARY 2021 BEAT AREA MW02, MW05 & MS04 – Rosewell & District



From 1st January 2021 to 25th February 2021 in the beat areas MW02, MW05 & MS04 – Rosewell & District – There were 9 crimes recorded, with 5 solved to date for the Rosewell area.

Incidents of Note

- Outdoor classroom following reports of vandalism and fire raising at the outdoor classroom, Police carried out extensive enquiries.
 Numerous youths were interviewed, however no charges were proffered due to insufficient evidence.
- About 8.454 pm on 14th January 2021, in Prestonhall Crescent, a car collided with a parked vehicle. Police attended and the driver was found to be under the influence of alcohol. He was arrested and reported accordingly.

Community Police information

Illegal Drugs

Thanks to information from the public, we have arrested and reported people involved in drug supply in the Midlothian area recently.

Drugs cause untold misery and suffering in communities like yours. Your help is vital in enabling us to disrupt the actions of drug dealers and help keep people safe

If you have information about any crime, you can contact Police Scotland on 101.

You can also give information anonymously to the independent charity **CrimeStoppers – 0800 555 111**

What is Hate Crime?

Any crime which is perceived by the victim or any other person as being motivated (wholly or partly) by malice and/or ill-will towards a social group. The social groups currently covered by hate crime legislation are: Disability, Race, Religion, Sexual Orientation and Transgender Identity. Hate crime happens in many different ways, and can include damage to property, someone shouting and swearing at you, threatening or verbally abusing you, being physically attacked or receiving online abuse. Hate crime can happen anywhere, for example, at home, on public transport, in the street, in school,

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college or at work. It can also happen online. If you think you have been targeted because you have a disability then this is hate crime.

Key Messages

- Disability hate crime is never acceptable whether you're a victim or you witness a hate crime - report it.
- No one should suffer from hate crime don't put up with it report it.
- Don't tolerate hate crime in your community together we can tackle disability hate crime.
- Disability hate crime can take place anywhere, in the home, the workplace, education or online recognise hate crime and report it.

Bystanders

- If you witness someone with a disability being abused in a public place, it's important that you don't let it go by without taking action. We're not talking about putting yourself at risk, there are a number of ways that you can report an incident, and demonstrate that disability hate crime has no place in our society.
- In some cases victims and bystanders of Hate Crime do not feel comfortable reporting the matter directly to the Police, and may be more comfortable reporting it to someone they are familiar with. For more information visit the <u>Third Party Reporting</u> page in the Contact Us section.
- I Am Me is a community charity working in partnership with Police Scotland to raise awareness of, and, tackle disability hate crime. You can find out more by visiting the <u>I AM ME Scotland</u> Keep Safe app page.

'Mate' Crime

- Mate Crime is when someone says they are a friend, but they use this friendship to take advantage of people with disabilities.
- This can include taking money, asking them to do things they don't want to do or hurting them. If you or someone you know has a disability and are being taken advantage of, we want you to report it to the police.
- Mate Crime can involve a number of people including friends, family and carers. Even if the exploitation is not an illegal act, this can still have a negative impact on the individual.

Community Officers would also like to take this opportunity to remind you all that we can conduct security surveys on domestic properties and rural establishments such as farms. If anyone is interested please contact police at the email address below.

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TELEPHONING POLICE SCOTLAND

If you need to contact Police Scotland then the number you use will depend on whether what you are reporting is an emergency or not.

- * You should always use 999 when:
- * There is a risk of injury or loss of life
- * A crime is in progress
- * Someone suspected of a crime is nearby

For non-emergency calls please use 101 to contact Police Scotland.

Hate crime and domestic abuse can now be reported online via the official Police Scotland website at www.scotland.police.uk or by visiting a Third Party Reporting Centre – details of which are also on our website.

Information regarding crime can be passed to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or through an Online Form - both of these routes are completely anonymous and available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

If any person has any information about the incident(s) listed above or indeed any other issue please contact your Community Policing Officers –

PC Alan Forbes
PC Graham Black

E-mail LothianScotBordersPenicuikCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk

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