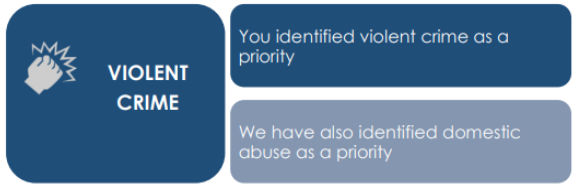
Community Council Report Covering OLI – October 1st – October 31st 2026					
Service Demand & Recorded Crimes Per Beat Area		LB23 Calls: 101 Crimes: 30	LB24 Calls: 78 Crimes:32	LB25 Calls: 29 Crimes:7	LB26 Calls: 19 Crimes:5
LB27 Calls:46 Crimes: 26	LB28 Calls:40 Crimes: 5	LB29 Calls: 7 Crimes: 1			Total Calls: 320 Crimes: 106

Beat Area	OLI Councils Served	Beat Area	OLI Councils Served
LB23 & LB24	Oban Community Council	LB27	Dunbeg Community Council Connel Community Council Taynuilt Community Council
LB25	Luing Community Council Isle of Seil & Easdale Community Council Isle of Colonsay Community Council Kilmore & Kilbride Community Council Kilmelford & Kilninver Community Council	LB28	Avich & Kilchrennan Community Council Glen Orchy & Innishail Community Council
LB26	North Connel Community Council Ledaig Community Council Benderloch Community Council Barcaldine Community Council Ardchattan Community Council	LB29	Appin Community Council Lismore Community Council

Local Policing Priority	Local Good News	How can you help?
	• There has been 1 seizure of Class A drugs • There has been 5 seizures of Class B drugs A 67 year old male driver was issued with a Recorded Police Warning for possession of cannabis following a vehicle stop on the A85 at Achnacloich on the evening of Tuesday 6th October. On the evening of Thursday 29th October a 25 year old male, detained under the Misuse of drugs Act 1971 on Lorn Road, Oban, was issued with a Recorded Police Warning after being found in possession of cannabis.	Help us keep these drugs off your streets - stop drug related crime by reporting any suspicions you may have either in person or anonymously via 101 or via crime stoppers online: Crimestoppers in Scotland | Crimestoppers (crimestoppers-uk.org) 0800 555 111
	There have been 20 acquisitive crimes reported during October: • 1 report of Housebreaking • 1 report of Housebreaking with intent to steal • 1 report of intended theft curtilage • 10 reports of Theft • 2 reports of Theft Shoplifting • 3 reports of Fraud (one of which is a taxi fraud) • 1 report of attempted Fraud • 1 report of taking and driving away a M/V Between 1600 and 1700 hours on Tuesday 13th October an insecure Kayak has been stolen from underneath Connel Bridge on the A828. Police are investigating.	Your local police would like for your Community Council to help us by following us on our social media channels and help us spread crime prevention advice and guidance.

	Between 1700 hours on Wednesday 14th October and 1100 hours on Sunday 18th October the front and rear registration plates were stolen from a vehicle parked at Dalmally Medical Practice. Police are investigating. About 0500 hours on Thursday 22nd October there has been a Theft of cooking oil from a premises in Corran Esplanade Oban. Police are investigating Between 1200 hours on Wednesday 21st October and 0925 hours on Monday 26th October there has been a Housebreaking with Intent at Dunbeg Church, Etive Road, Dunbeg. Police are investigating. Between 1500 hours on Thursday 22nd October and 1200 hours on Tuesday 27th October there has been a housebreaking to a property on the B8074 at Glen Orchy. Police are investigating.	
	There have been 37 Road Traffic Offences detected during October. These include: • 3 reports of Dangerous Driving • 2 reports of Careless Driving • 6 reports of failing to stop after an accident • 6 reports of driving without insurance • 3 reports of driving without a licence • 1 report of driving with a provisional licence, unsupervised without L plates • 1 report of drink driving On the afternoon of Wednesday 14th October a 24 year old male driver was stopped by Police on the A85 at Dalmally and found to be driving with a revoked licence. The driver	If you are aware of anyone that is driving under the influence of drink or drugs make Police aware. You can do this by phoning 101 or 999 if the person is behind the wheel. You can also report online on the Police Scotland website: https://www.scotland.police.uk Or you can report anonymously via Crimestoppers. Crimestoppers can be contacted on 0800 555 111 or online at https://crimestoppers-uk.org

	was cautioned and charged and the circumstances will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal. On the afternoon of Sunday 18th October an uninsured vehicle was seized by Police and the 32 year old female driver was cautioned and charged with driving without valid insurance and without a valid MOT on Dalriach Road, Oban. The circumstances will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal. On the morning of Friday 23rd October a 29 year old male driver was cautioned and charged with driving without a valid license and driving without valid insurance after he was spotted by Police driving on Camus Road, Dunbeg. The circumstances will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal. A 33 year old female driver has been cautioned and charged with driving whilst using a hand-held mobile phone on Corran Esplanade, Oban, on the morning of Monday 26th October. The circumstances will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal. An 18 year old male driver has been arrested and charged with drink driving, driving with a provisional licence, without L plates, unaccompanied, driving without valid insurance and taking and driving away a motor vehicle, following a single vehicle collision on the Kilmore back road during the early hours of Saturday 31st October. The circumstances will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal.	

	There have been 29 Crimes of Violence recorded during October, including: • 5 reports of assault • 6 reports of assault to injury • 16 reports of Threatening and Abusive Behaviour • 1 report of resisting an officer in the execution of their duty • 1 report of carrying a knife. A 36 year old male and a 34 year old male have been arrested and charged with Threatening and Abusive Behaviour following an incident at an address in Oban on the afternoon of Tuesday 6th October. Both males were kept in custody to appear at Oban Sheriff Court. On the evening of Monday 12th October a 26 year old male was arrested for Threatening and Abusive Behaviour and possession of a knife at Awe Service Station. The male was released on Undertaking to appear at Oban Sheriff Court at a later date. A 39 year old male has been arrested and charged with Threatening and Abusive Behaviour following an incident in a common close at an address in Oban on the evening of Friday 16th October. A 39 year old male was cautioned and charged with Threatening and Abusive Behaviour towards Police and resisting arrest on the afternoon of Saturday 17th October, when Police were called to an address for an unrelated matter.	Your local police would like for your Community Council to help us with tackling Violent Crime by reporting any ASB or community concerns either in person via 101 or via crime stoppers online: Crimestoppers in Scotland | Crimestoppers (crimestoppers-uk.org) 0800 555 111

	On the evening of Monday 19th October a 26 year old male was arrested at a licensed premises in Oban following a report of a disturbance. The male was subsequently cautioned and charged with assault and failing to leave a licensed premises when requested to do so after behaving in a disorderly manner. The circumstances will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal. An 18 year old male was arrested and charged with Threatening and Abusive Behaviour and Vandalism following a disturbance at a takeaway premises on George Street, Oban during the early hours of Sunday 25th October. The circumstances will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal. A 55 year old female was arrested and charged with Threatening and Abusive Behaviour following a disturbance in George Street, Oban, on the evening of Saturday 31st October. The female was issued with a Recorded Police Warning and released when sober.	
	Police received 37 Public Protection Calls during October, and 3 public protection crimes including: • 1 report of extortion • 1 report of breach of Non-Harassment Order • I report of failing to comply with bail conditions	Report to your local Police any concerns you may have regarding potential victims of Domestic Abuse or vulnerable persons, who may be being exploited or who may just need additional crime prevention support. Please report this to us either in person or anonymously.

Issues & Questions Raised by Community Councils & Coucillors to the Communities Team **N.B. Where the issue is applicable to a section above, this is included there*	**General News:** On the afternoon of Friday 30th October, Police were made aware that a sticker with a QR code leading to an unrelated website had been placed over the QR code on a legitimate parking sign at Horizon car park in Oban. Police are investigating and would urge members of the public who have paid for parking using a QR code to check that any money paid has been to a legitimate company. Also that they check signs have not been tampered with, prior to making any payments using a QR code. If anyone else has been a victim of this type of crime, please report it to Police if you have not done so already. You can do this by telephoning 101 or reporting online via the Police Scotland website. Between midnight on Friday 30th October and 1645 hours on Sunday 31st October a fence in Miller Road Oban has been deliberately damaged. Police are investigating. Road Smart Hubs Road smart hubs are back across Argyll. This is an initiative between Police Scotland and the Institute of Advanced Motorists and the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, delivered by enthusiastic and experienced local teams. We offer two 90 minute interactive sessions focusing on key risk areas: winter driving and night-time driving. These sessions address common causes of collisions ranging from minor vehicle damage to serious incidents and give you practical tools to stay safe on the road. Attend one or both. Cost: £10 donation to Glasgow North Group of Advance Motorists charity are welcomed to support ongoing road safety education. Winter driving events are taking place at Campbeltown Fire Station on Monday 2nd November 1930 -2100 hours, Lochgilphead Joint Campus on Saturday 14th November from 1030-1200 hours, Oban Community Fire Station on Tuesday 17th November from 1930-2100 hours. There will be a Drive Safe at Night input at Lochgilphead Joint Campus on Saturday 21st November from 1030-1200 hours. Operation Moonbean Police Scotland will again provide a dedicated public order response across Scotland to help keep communities safe during the Halloween and Bonfire Night period.

	Operation Moonbeam 2026 officially launched on Wednesday 21 October. Throughout the weekend of 31 October and in the run up to the evening of 5 November, local policing divisions can call on specially trained officers to respond to violence and disorder. Now in its ninth year, Operation Moonbeam was launched in 2018 following significant fireworks-related criminality in several parts of the country. During the disorder, an Edinburgh officer was seriously injured after being struck by a firework. Our communities play a vital role in in preventing disorder. If you have any information about the illegal sale, storage or planned misuse of fireworks: - Report non-emergencies or share intelligence via 101 - Contact the independents charity Crimestoppers 100% anonymously on 0800 555 111. - Always dial 999 in an ongoing emergency or if there is an immediate danger to life. Let's work together to ensure a safe, peaceful and enjoyable season for everyone. <u>Fireworks and the law, what you need to know</u> Fireworks can be dangerous and disruptive if misused. It is a criminal offence to: Possess fireworks if you are under 18 Sell buy or supply fireworks to anyone under 18 (excluding category F1 items like party poppers) Set off fireworks between 11pm and 6am (exceptions are midnight on bonfire night, 1am on Hogmanay, Chinese new year and Diwali). Throw or set off fireworks in any public space Cause unnecessary suffering to animals. If you know or suspect someone is misusing fireworks or setting deliberate fires, you can report 100% anonymously via Crimestoppers or https://orlo.uk/UMDIM <u>That Guy Campaign</u> Police Scotland's latest That Guy campaign started on Monday, 28 September, with a call for everyday role models to recognise the positive influence that men can have on each other and boys, to prevent the attitudes and behaviours that lead to harassment, assault and rape. The advert kick-started a six-week focus aimed at tackling the over 200 reports of violence against women and girls crimes which are reported every day on average in Scotland.

	Launching the campaign, Assistant Chief Constable Tim Mairs said: “Violence against women and girls is a national emergency. Young men and boys are growing up where attitudes towards women, sex and relationships are shaped what they see online, including messages about masculinity and how women should be treated. “Manosphere influencers and social media algorithms can repeatedly expose boys to harmful attitudes and behaviours, which can become normalised. This extremist content is having a direct impact on women’s safety. “Our campaign offers a different narrative, one based on respect, positive role modelling and healthy relationships. “We’re supporting men aged 18 - 35 to reflect on the role they can play in positively influencing boys and young men.” The campaign encourages men to recognise that being a positive role model isn’t about being perfect. It’s about the standards they set through their everyday behaviour, the way they speak about women, what they share online, the conversations they have with friends and whether they’re prepared to challenge behaviour that is sexist, disrespectful or harmful. This year, Police Scotland is working with a growing network of partners across sport, education, transport and communities to take the campaign beyond its own channels and reach men in the places and spaces where they live, work and socialise. Partners supporting the campaign include Scottish Rugby, West of Scotland Sexual Assault Response Co-ordination Services, Scottish Professional Football League (SPFL), ScotRail, Tennis Scotland, Team Scotland and Up and Running Scotland.

Useful Links/Contacts:

- **Argyll and Bute Communtiy Directory** - https://abcd.scot/ - this excellent site signposts you to all available services in your area, be it advocacy, counselling, debt advice or animal welfare;
- **Crimestoppers** – Crimestoppers in Scotland | Crimestoppers (crimestoppers-uk.org) 0800 555 111
- **Scottish Partnership Against Rural Crime** – www.scottishparc.co.uk
- **Women’s Aid -** Home - Women's Aid (womensaid.org.uk)
- **Citizens Advice** – 0808 164 6000 & https://www.abcab.org.uk/ - Argyll and Bute Citizens Advice Bureau is a local, independent charity which provides free, impartial and confidential advice and information to give you the tools you need to sort out any issues or problems;

- **Argyll and Bute Council Trading Standards** – 01546 605 519
- **Argyll and Bute Council** – https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/my-council/how-contact-us
- **Transport Scotland** – road related incidents and road closures - https://www.traffic.gov.scot/traffic-information/incidents
- **Scottish Water -** https://www.scottishwater.co.uk/Help-and-Resources/Contact-Us 0800 0778 778
- **NHS24 (including mental health support) –** 111 or https://www.nhsinform.scot/
- **Scam Share Bulletin** Trading Standards Scotland Bulletin 6 June (mailchi.mp)
- **Age Scotland- Demetia Information and help-** https://www.agescotland.org.uk/
- **Neighbourhood Watch** - sign up to to receive local alerts and bulletins for your community area - https://neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk/#0
- **Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA)** - https://www.sepa.org.uk/ - for pollution, environmental safety, flooding, waste disposal/carrying enquiries

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- Facebook - Police Scotland Argyll and West Dunbartonshire
- X (formerly Twitter) – PSOSArgyllBute and PSOS ArgWestDunb

Please contact the officer below with any feedback or concerns raised at the meeting for further considerations or police action.

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