

POLICE SCOTLAND

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This policing plan will outline the priorities your community identified during our most recent consultation and will inform you of how we plan to address them throughout the year.

Our focus is to reduce crime and disorder, to increase public reassurance within your community and to keep people safe.

We will continue to work closely with our partners to find effective long-term solutions to the issues you raised.

This policing plan sets out how we intend to deal with your priorities.

Local Priorities

You identified that the policing priorities for the Caol and Mallaig area were:

1. Road Safety

You told us that mobile phone, drink driving and speeding, in particular outside schools, are a priority. Deer and overgrown roadside scrub on the A830 was also highlighted as a road hazard

2. Alcohol Abuse

You told us your concerns about alcohol abuse, particularly young people, obtaining alcohol and engaging in disorderly behaviour and causing noise disturbances.

3. Community Engagement

Community Engagement is of significant importance to you, together with enhanced police liaison and visible and accessible policing, in particular foot patrols.

We have acted on your concerns and are sure you will have seen improvements in the Caol and Mallaig area

Actions carried out to date

- To enhance road safety we continued our strategy of increasing driver awareness and behaviour. Engaging, advising and educating road users and targeting known locations of speeding.
- Speed checks have been deployed outside schools in the area to deter inappropriate driving and to increase road safety.
- Continued partnership working to address identified road safety hazards on the A830 including the deployment of the Northern Safety Camera Partnership vehicle.
- Dedicated and proactive anti crime patrols, both high visibility and plain clothes in unmarked vehicles. These were concentrated within the more rural communities during winter evenings and weekends, offering reassurance and deterring antisocial behaviour, opportunist crime and travelling criminals.

- Proactive, intelligence led deployment of a drugs dog, scanning licensed premises throughout the area.
- An increase in checks of licensed premises has contributed towards a significant reduction in antisocial behaviour and disorder in the surrounding area while also deterring the sale of alcohol to those who are under-age.
- Continued partnership working and engagement with Pubwatch and Highland Council licensing officer positively contributes towards maintaining a reduction in incidents of antisocial behaviour

In the Coming Months

- Through Operation Route your local community policing team will positively engage with travelling criminals using the roads while also promoting road safety awareness. This will reassure communities and deter criminal use of the roads through high visibility patrols of both trunk and rural routes. This will also target speeding and inappropriate driving through a combination of education and awareness, alongside proactive deployments to areas where speeding or driver behaviour is a problem. This will include speed checks outside schools and the introduction of a road safety event to secondary school pupils.
- Through Operation Ram we will make every effort to target the illegal possession and supply of drugs and remove those involved in illegal and harmful activities from our communities. This will include intelligence led deployments of a drugs dog within licensed premises.
- Through Operation Respect we will reduce disorder and incidents linked to licensed premises.
 Working with key partners to prevent crime and make people

- feel safe, we will target the illegal supply of alcohol to persons who are under-age, both within and outwith licensed premises. This will be achieved through regular and frequent visits to licensed premises and ongoing liaison with Pubwatch members, licence holders and Highland Council licensing officers. Intelligence led test purchase initiative may also be deployed.
- Your community policing team will increase its visibility and accessibility to all communities within Caol and Mallaig.
 Community engagement is an elementary and essential task which will include regular and frequent liaison with all schools and community councils.
- Develop and promote positive future engagement with the young community members through the introduction of "Bluelight" events.
- The introduction of a new, demand led, shift pattern for officers to increase operational capability and to meet community needs.

Useful information

Caol & Mallaig Multi Member Ward Team

Our team covers, Caol and Mallaig

Contact Details

Fort William Police Station High Street Fort William PH33 6EE

Group e-mail address

CaolMallaigCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk This group e-mail address is provided for you to contact your local Community Policing Team to discuss non-urgent local crime or antisocial behaviour problems. This should not be used to report a crime or incident.

All e-mails will be responded to within 48 hours.

For more detailed information about your local Community Policing Team and other services that Police Scotland provides, please refer to the Force website at:

www.scotland.police.uk

We are here to help

We will continue to keep in touch with you to keep you updated on the ongoing work being done to tackle the issues that are affecting life for you and your community.

- If you have any concerns or issues you wish to discuss, contact your local Community Policing Team.
- Dial 999 for an emergency that requires urgent police attention.
- For non-emergency contact, call 101, the single non-emergency number.
- Give information about crime without revealing your identity to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or at www.crimestoppers-uk.org Crimestoppers is an independent charity and not part of the Police.
- Service users who are deaf or have a hearing impairment can contact Police Scotland via TextRelay in an emergency on 18000 or nonemergency on 18001 101.

We respect your right to confidentiality and will not visit you without checking first.