



Mid Argyll Community Policing Plan 2010/11

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We have again carried out a consultation exercise in Mid Argyll to find out about local concerns and what you want your Community Policing Teams to deal with over the next year.

Working with the local community and with other partners we aim to reduce the fear of crime and increase feelings of safety as well as increasing public satisfaction and confidence in the police. Working together we will build safer communities.

The Policing Plan sets out how we plan to deal with your priorities.

Local Priorities

You identified that the Policing Priorities for Mid Argyll were:

1. Drunk or Disorderly Behaviour

You told us that there were problems with public drinking, youth disorder and vandalism.

2. Drug Use and Drug Dealing

You told us that you were concerned with the levels of drug use and drug dealing in the community.

3. Speeding Motorists

You told us that speeding vehicles in and around town centress and on the trunk roads that service the towns and villages are a problem.

4. Assault and Violent Crime

You told us that you were concerned with the levels of assaults and violent crime including incidents of domestic abuse.

We've listened to your concerns and you'll hopefully already have seen some improvements in the Mid Argyll area.

Actions carried out to date.

- A change in our deployment plan has enabled us to ensure that the community benefits from an increase of officers on patrol at peak times.
- We have targeted underage drinking by ensuring there are high visibility foot patrols in areas that you have identified where this is a problem.
- We continue to work in partnership with local licensees in the Mid Argyll area, frequently visiting licensed premises with a view to deterring and detecting acts of drunken disorder and violence.
- Joint visits have been conducted with Trading Standards to all knife retailers in the area to ensure such weapons are not sold to underage persons.
- We have carried out enforcement operations, targeting speeding motorists on routes identified by you.
- You identified drug use and drug dealing as areas of concern.
 We have carried out large scale road checks to detect and deter drug couriers. This has included stopping service buses and using drug detection dogs.
- We have, in partnership with other agencies, delivered Young Driver Training Programmes in Lochgilphead

to educate young people and improve their driving skills.

In the coming months you can expect to see a number of other things happening:

- We will carry out operations against householders to disrupt drug dealing and drug misuse.
- We will work to engineer longer term solutions to the problem of road safety and speeding.
- We will continue to target underage drinking by deploying officers to patrol on foot in areas identified by you where this concerning issue occurs.
- We will work in partnership with Women's Aid to address issues of domestic violence.
- We will target the most prolific domestic offenders in our community in order to protect their victims.
- We will be working with our local partners including Argyll & Bute Council and housing organisations to make long term, sustainable improvements to your area.
- We will carry out regular surveys in the community to gain further information about the issues which cause greatest concern.

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Useful information.

Mid Argyll **Community Policing Team**

This team covers the central area of the Sub Division and includes Lochgilphead, Inveraray, Furnace, Minard, Kilmichael, Kilmartin Crinan, Cairnbaan, Tayvallich and Ardfern.

Contact Details

Lochgilphead Police Office (open 24 hours) Lochnell Street, Lochgilphead PA31 8JJ

Community Policing Team

Telephone Number: 01546 702270

Group e-mail address

MidArayllCommunityPolicinaTeam@ strathclyde.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 Strathclyde Police provides, please refer to the Force website at

www.strathclyde.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 Lochailphead Police Office or your local Community Policing Team.
- Dial 999 for an emergency that requires urgent police attention.
- · For non-emergency contact, call the 24-hour non-emergency contact centre on 01586 862200.
- If you have information about crime in your area and wish to provide it anonymously, call CRIMESTOPPERS on 0800 555 111.
- Service users who are deaf or have a hearing impairment can contact Strathclyde Police in an emergency or non-emergency via our Minicom number which is 0141 207 5758.

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



