



**POLICE  
SCOTLAND**

Keeping people safe

## **Preston, Seton & Gosford**

Multi Member Ward Plan 2014

# Our focus. Your priorities.

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 our community and to keep people safe.

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

## Local Priorities

### **1. Substance Misuse**

You told us you were worried about people using and dealing drugs in the area, and their subsequent behaviour.

### **2. Antisocial Behaviour**

You told us there were problems with littering, antisocial behaviour, violent conduct, young people causing disturbance, rowdy drunken behaviour and vandalism.

### **3. Road Safety**

You told us there were issues with speeding motorists and inconsiderate parking, especially near schools.

### **4. Housebreaking**

You told us you were worried about security and people breaking into houses.



# Our actions to date.

## **Daily Tasking**

We are tasked on a daily basis, according to community information and police intelligence, by a tasking and co-ordinating group, to which we report back our actions and are held to account.

## **East Lothian Community Policing Teams**

We continue to use the East Lothian Community Policing Teams to target those involved in antisocial behaviour, as well as areas that are 'hotspots' for such activity.

## **Visibility**

We are visible within the community through uniform foot and bike patrols, where we actively engage with all sections of society. This includes special operations directed at youth alcohol/licensing related matters, dog fouling projects and diversionary work such as school linked youth groups.

## **Drugs**

We have recovered a large amount of substances and seized money under the Proceeds of Crime legislation. We have prosecuted drug dealers and used tactics to deter them from re-offending.

## **Local Issues**

We tackled area-specific issues you raised with us, including: road and speed checks; deploying resources around pubs and creating a specific team to investigate housebreakings.

## **Speeding**

Community police officers trained in the use of Prolaser Speed Detection equipment, target 'hotspot' areas for speeding.

## **Parking**

We worked with schools, particularly younger pupils, challenging dangerously parked drivers around their school.

## **Licensed Premises**

We targeted problem off-licenses and licensed premises, in order to tackle violence and antisocial behaviour caused by young people illegally accessing alcohol.

## **East Lothian Council Antisocial Behaviour Team**

We work in partnership with East Lothian Council Anti Social Behaviour Team, a group of housing officers, police officers, police staff and investigation staff, who target those who commit antisocial behaviour and minimise the effect they have on others.

## **Local Meetings**

We took part in council surgeries, Community Council meetings, Community and Police Partnership (CAPP) meetings, as well as carrying out home crime prevention surveys, delivering leaflets and giving out advice.

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# In the coming months.

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

## **Patrolling**

We will continue to be visible within the community, maximising the number of patrols carried out, and undertaking specific operations and diversionary initiatives.

## **Partners**

We will take part in all aspects of the community, through involvement in Community Councils, CAPP meetings, Neighbourhood Watches, schools, youth groups, interest groups and farming forums to ensure a coordinated approach to addressing those issues within the community.

## **Campaign Against Violence**

We will use additional officers on selected Friday nights to target violent offenders and assist regular officers with pub dispersals.

## **Local Violent Offender Multi Agency Tasking and Co-ordinating (MATAC)**

We will discuss prominent offenders with partners and will take actions to prevent future offending and enforce any court restrictions.

## **Crime Prevention**

We will continue to give crime prevention advice, on request from occupiers of residential properties or owners of business premises.

## **Listening**

We will listen and assess information given to us by the community, in general or at our surgeries and respond with advice and action, where appropriate.

## **Schools**

We will continue to work closely with local schools in an effort to talk to young people about antisocial behaviour, domestic violence and road safety issues through initiatives like 2morow's driver (Road Safety awareness for young drivers).

## **Searches**

We will target violent individuals, by using stop-search powers to identify those carrying alcohol, weapons and drugs.

## **ASBOs**

We will support the use of ASBOs and share information to help with the early eviction of problem tenants.

## **Investigation**

We will use specialised officers to combat and investigate thefts by housebreaking, domestic violence and sexual offences and target these crimes with specific initiatives.

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# Keep up to date.

## Follow us.

### Multi Member Ward Team

Multi Member Ward Areas: Our team covers Prestonpans, Port Seton, Cockenzie, Longniddry and surrounding areas.

### Contact Details

6 New Street  
Prestonpans  
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### Follow us on Twitter

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### Call Us

Telephone 101 and you will be connected to your local policing team.

### Group e-mail address

[PrestonSetonGosfordCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk](mailto:PrestonSetonGosfordCPT@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. It should not be used to report a crime or incident.

### Crimestoppers

If you have information about crime in your area and wish to provide it anonymously, call the independent charity CRIMESTOPPERS on 0800 555 111.

### Further Assistance

Service users who are deaf or have a hearing impairment can contact Police Scotland via TextRelay in an emergency on 18000 or non-emergency on 18001 101.

If you, or anyone you know, requires further assistance regarding this document please contact your local Community Policing Team or our Diversity Unit by calling 101 or by email at:

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