



**POLICE
SCOTLAND**

Keeping people safe

Craigmillar & Portobello

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

You identified that the policing priorities for the Craigmillar / Portobello area were:

1. Antisocial Behaviour

You told us that you were concerned about problems with street drinking and disorderly behaviour, including vandalism and graffiti.

2. Housebreaking and Other Theft

You told us you were concerned about your property being broken into and /or your belongings stolen.

3. Drug Dealing and Drug Abuse

You told us you were concerned about people dealing in and using illegal drugs.

4. Assault and Violent Crime

You told us you were concerned about the threat of violent crime in your area.



Our actions to date.

Antisocial Behaviour

We have identified 'hot spots' for antisocial behaviour, under-age drinking and vandalism. We have visited licensed premises to make sure licensing legislation is being complied with. Our school link officer has been working closely with Castlebrae and Holyrood High schools to influence positive behaviour amongst pupils and assist in the delivery of educational, developmental and diversionary activities.

Housebreaking and Other Theft

We have remained focused on deterring property related crime and detecting those responsible. We carried out uniformed and plain-clothes patrols in areas where house break-ins and theft from vehicles have taken place. We have made sure all investigative and forensic opportunities have been captured so offenders could be identified and targeted. Using traditional and social media we heightened public awareness of crime prevention techniques.

Drug Dealing and Drug Abuse

Through intelligence gathered, we carried out operations against people and premises involved in drug dealing and misuse. We increased patrols in 'hot spot' areas, where people have been identified as being involved in the misuse of illegal drugs and carried out a number of positive stop and searches. We have promoted Crimestoppers with the distribution of leaflets and via social media to encourage people to give information anonymously about illegal drug dealing.

Assault and Violent Crime

We have acted on intelligence and have monitored and managed persistent violent offenders. Along with the effective use of our stop search powers, this has resulted in a reduction of crimes of violence in the neighbourhood. We have monitored and managed domestic abuse offenders ensuring curfew/ bail conditions are enforced whilst taking other proactive measures to support victims and minimise the effect on the community.

In the coming months.

Antisocial Behaviour

We will continue to patrol areas identified as disorder 'hotspots'. We will work with our partners to identify those who persist in antisocial behaviour, using restrictive bail conditions, curfews and antisocial behaviour contracts. We will support the use of Antisocial Behavioural Orders (ASBOs) and share information to assist in early eviction of problem tenants. We will regularly visit licensed premises to prevent criminality and disorderly behaviour. We will continue to work with the Community Alcohol Partnership to prevent and divert young people becoming involved in under-age drinking. We will engage with community councils, resident associations and other voluntary groups to listen to local concerns, respond and provide feedback.

Housebreaking and Other Theft

We will provide frequent uniform and plain-clothes patrols in key locations to catch offenders. We will monitor offender's activities, whereabouts and intervene with them at every available opportunity to disrupt their activities and prevent re-offending. We will constantly review our approach to tackling housebreaking, thefts and bogus workmen crimes. We aim to increase resident and business awareness of crime prevention techniques, and further develop victim support.

Drug Dealing and Drug Abuse

We will continue through community intelligence to disrupt the supply of illegal drugs and bring drug dealers to justice. Make full use of our intelligence systems and powers of stop and search. Where drug related offences are detected, we will arrest the offenders and where appropriate share information with housing associations and other partners to effectively prevent further drug dealing in your area.

Assault and Violent Crime

Where persons involved in violent crime and domestic assault come to our attention, we will carry out rigorous investigation into all incidents to ensure offenders are identified and prosecuted and victims are fully supported. We will proactively monitor offender's activities and intervene with them at every available opportunity. Disrupting their activities to prevent re-offending and allowing them to engage with us, and our partners to remove themselves from that lifestyle.



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Multi Member Ward Team

Our team covers the area including the coastal towns of Portobello, Joppa and, further inland, Brunstane, Newcraighall, Bingham, Niddrie and Craigmillar.

Contact Details

Craigmillar Police Station
161 Duddingston Road West
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Call Us

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

Group e-mail address

EdinburghPortobelloCraigmillarCPT@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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