

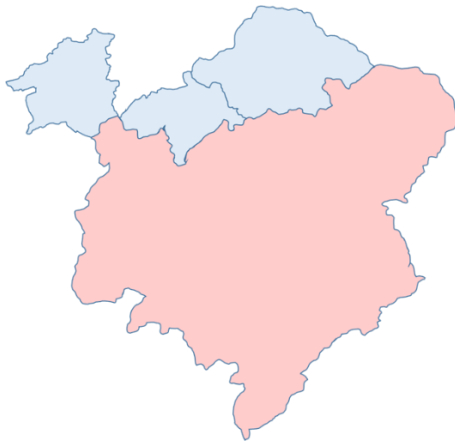
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Scottish Borders Area Command

The Lothians and Scottish Borders

East Berwickshire Community Councils
Multi Member Ward Report for May 2025 (up to 31/05)



The information provided within this report, is predominately based on the East Berwickshire Multi Member Ward Policing Plan and the areas you have identified as priorities.

iThe data provided in this report is for information purposes only and is not official crime statistics. Due to delayed reporting or recording of crimes, incidents or road accidents and the management of crime enquiries, there is likely to be differences between the information in this report and the final Police Scotland statistics. It would not be appropriate to refer to, quote or use any data in this report as official statistics.

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Community Update – East Berwickshire

May has seen the start of festival season for the Scottish Borders with our Community Officers supporting events across our region. If you see us out and about, please feel free to come and have a chat or give us a wave!

PC Cameron School link officer enlisted the help of PC Jacobs East Berwickshire CBO and PC MacLeod with the East Berwickshire P7 cluster days. Scenario training was set up for the P7s and showed them what police officers are faced with in their day-to-day roles.

Further, Eyemouth Resilience Team, SFRS, SAS and Community First responders, welcomed PC Jacobs, PC Cameron, and PC MacLeod to CPR Day at Eyemouth Primary school. We were able to assist the entire school in learning how to make a 999 call on an emergency, how to deliver effective CPR, how to place someone in the recovery position and how to assist when someone is choking.

PC Jacobs and PC Cameron also attended the Coldingham Water Safety Day on 31 May. This was a free family event to promote water safety and was in partnership with the Coldingham Brave Bayers and the Scottish Borders Partnership to Water Safety Group, which Police Scotland is a part of. During the event, members of the public were provided with invaluable water safety advice to enable everyone to enjoy our beautiful beaches safely.



There have been a spate of damage and/or thefts in and around Eyemouth. The Penny Petroleum has been subject to damage and thefts and a result of this local officers are increasing passing patrol in the area on the nightshifts. There are positive lines of enquiry, and one male has been arrested and charged with several offences.

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There have also been thefts of quad bikes and a pick-up around Grantshouse and Reston areas (see below), which CID are investigating. To help safeguard property, crime prevention advice and information can be found at

[Officers trained on technology which can prevent and tackle rural theft - Police Scotland](#)

Sign up to Rural Watch at

[Scottish Partnership Against Rural Crime | Scottish Partnership Against Rural Crime](#)

Local Policing Priorities

1. Protecting Vulnerable People in a Physical & Digital World
2. Reducing violence and Anti-Social Behaviour
3. Reducing acquisitive crime
4. Improving road safety
5. Tackling serious and organised crime



Protecting Vulnerable People in a Physical & Digital World

In May 2025 Police in the Scottish Borders attended and were involved with around 192 mental health related calls, around 30 missing person enquiries and approximately 90 domestic related incidents.

East Berwickshire had 19 mental health related calls and 1 missing person enquires. Due to GDPR and protection of victims/subjects involved, we are unable to share any more specific information in relation to these type of call within this report.

Police Scotland work in collaboration with key partners to assist the most vulnerable within the communities and to provide support.



Reducing Violence and Anti-Social Behaviour

Assaults

- On 05/05/2025 report of a female from Coldstream being assaulted whilst out walking her dog. A crime report was submitted and enquiries are complete.

Anti-Social Behaviour

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- On 07/05/2025 report of a disturbance in Stebbings Rise, Eyemouth. After enquiries two individuals have been charged.
- On 18/05/2025 report of a male causing a disturbance in Killies Green, Eyemouth. Male was traced, arrested and charged with threatening and abusive behaviour, breach of bail conditions and drug offences.
- On 16/05/2025 report of youths throwing stones at the end of the east pier, Eyemouth. No damage caused. Passing attention to be given to the area.
- On 17/05/2025 report of males being seen with weapons outside a property in Hinkar Way, Eyemouth. Area searched, one male spoken to. He was alone and did not have any weapons. False call, good intent.
- On 20/05/2025 report of a known male banging on the door of a property in Killies Green, Eyemouth causing a disturbance. Officers attended, male traced and checks confirmed he was breaching bail conditions. Male became hostile and shouted abuse at officers. He was arrested and cautioned and charged with a breach of bail conditions & threatening and abusive behaviour. Held to appear at court.
- On 20/05/2025 report of a group of males trying to break into a large shed at Eyemouth golf course. Nothing ongoing on police arrival, no damage. Informant could not provide any further information. Area searched, no trace.
- On 22/05/2025 report of a Male causing a disturbance within a property In Abbots Row, Coldingham. Male traced and issued with a Recorded Police Warning for threatening and abusive behaviour.

Vandalism/vehicle damage

- On 03/05/2025 report of damage to window in Beach Avenue, Eyemouth by unknown person throwing stones. Enquiries ongoing.
- On 13/05/2025 report of damage to the door handle of a property in Windram Road, Chirnside. Enquiries complete.
- On 20/05/2025 report of a male seen shouting and swearing and kicking a gate of a property in Killies Green, Eyemouth. Crime Reports submitted for vandalism and threatening and abusive behaviour.
- On 22/05/2025 report of a smashed window in Stebbings Rise, Eyemouth. Accused issued with recorded police warning.
- On 27/05/2025 report of a male having caused further damage to a gate in Killies Green, Eyemouth. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing.

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Reducing Acquisitive Crime

Theft by Housebreaking

- On 17/05/2025 report of several sheds having been broken into at Eyegrow, Eyemouth allotments. Statements noted. Crime reports submitted for 2 x theft OLP, 2 x vandalism and 8 thefts by OLP with intent. All lines of enquiry followed and now complete.
- On 20/05/2025 report of the front door of a property in Renton Terrace, Eyemouth being forced open by means unknown and cash being taken from within. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries complete.
- On 25/05/2025 report of the Recycling Centre, Eyemouth being broken into and vehicle batteries, shovels and other items having been taken. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing.
- On 26/05/2025 report of a workshop at Monashee Farm, Grantshouse having been broken into and a number of power tools taken. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing.
- On 27/05/2025 report of the workshop at Sunnyside Farmhouse, Reston and quad bike and bike key stolen. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing.
- On 27/05/2025 report of a pick-up and water pump stolen from a steading at Butterdean Farm, Grantshouse when entry was forced. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing.
- On 27/05/2025 report of a quadbike and several tools stolen from Brockholes Farmhouse, Grantshouse. Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing. These thefts on 27/05/25 are believed to be linked and are being investigated by CID.
- On 28/05/2025 report of a break into the Penny Petroleum, Eyemouth. Vapes and alcohol stolen. One Male arrested, charged and reported to appear on undertaking.

Theft

- On 22/05/2025 report of theft at Traprain Farm. Further enquiries ongoing.
- On 24/05/2025 report of theft shoplifting in the Co-Op, High Street, Eyemouth. One Male arrested, charged and reported to appear at court on undertaking.
- On 26/05/2025 report of theft of alcohol from the Penny Petroleum, Toll Road, Eyemouth. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing.
- On 25/05/2025 report of both the jet wash and coin operated vacuum cleaner at Eyemouth Autocentre being broken into. Crime Reports submitted.

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- On 26/05/2025 further report of the self-service vacuum machine and air/water pump having been broken into at the Penny Petroleum, Eyemouth. One Male arrested, charged and reported to appear at court on undertaking.
- On 28/05/2025 further report of the coin operated vacuum cleaner been broken into and money having been taken from within it. Crime Report submitted. One Male arrested, charged and reported to appear at court on undertaking.
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Improving Road Safety

- On 02/05/2025 a driver was issued a fixed penalty ticket for driving with no MOT On B6355 near to Chirnside.
- On 05/05/2025 a vehicle was seized due to the driver not having a licence or insurance. The driver and passenger have been charged with Road Traffic offences.
- On 09/05/2025 a female was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol whilst driving on the A1107.
- On 12/05/2025 a driver was issued a fine for driving with no MOT in Ayton.
- On 14/05/2025 a driver was issued a fine for driving with no MOT in Eyemouth.
- On 26/05/2025 – a driver was issued a fine and penalty points for careless/inconsiderate driving in Eyemouth.
- On 26/05/2025 – a driver was issued a fine and penalty points for driving a motor car without an MOT in Eyemouth.



Tackling Serious and Organised Crime

The Scottish Borders CID Proactive Unit executed 8 Drug & General Evidence Warrants during the month of May which resulted in the seizures of quantities of Class A/B controlled drugs and 5 figures sums of cash. 8 persons were reported for drug related offences during the month. These incidents were within Galashiels, Kelso Duns and Hawick. One of which has attached local media attention within Hawick.

They also assisted reactive CID in our area with stolen property warrants for housebreakings within Eyemouth.

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They would like to re-inforce the message to all wards that any drug related crime or organised criminality in the Scottish Borders can be anonymously reported via CrimeStoppers, who are an independent charity not connected to the Police. The public can of course still use 101 for this purpose too.

Campaigns

What is Doorstep Crime?

Doorstep crime is principally committed against the elderly and vulnerable in their own homes by individuals or organised groups. These criminals systematically target their victims and adapt their criminal method to exploit their victim's individual vulnerabilities. The impact of this type of crime has devastating effects on victims and our communities. Please remain vigilant of doorstep scams.

Trusted Sources of Information

- Approved Traders**
Find local traders who have been vetted by Trading Standards
www.tsscot.co.uk/consumer-advice/approved-trader-schemes
- Neighbourhood Watch Scotland**
Sign up to receive localised safety alerts from partners such as Police Scotland
www.neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk/sign-up-for-alerts
- Police Scotland**
Call 101 if you see someone suspicious in your local area or call 999 in an emergency
- Advice Direct Scotland**
Report all scams and get free consumer advice online or over the phone
www.consumeradvice.scot
0808 164 6000

Doorstep Scams

Close the Door on uninvited callers. Don't feel obliged to answer the door to a cold caller - it is your home and you should not let anyone in unless you feel comfortable.

Take Time to think before making a decision. Rogue traders may try to pressure you by saying that they have special deals only available today. Don't let a cold caller start work straight away.

Research Get at least 3 quotes before having any work done. Rogue traders go to great lengths to appear legitimate - check at least 3 review sites to make sure you are getting genuine feedback. Find traders who have been vetted by Trading Standards through a local approved trader scheme.

Verify that the person is genuine. ID cards can be faked - close the door and, rather than phoning the number on the trader's ID card, look up the company's number on their official website or in an official phone directory to check their identity. Legitimate traders will be happy to wait while you perform these checks.

Report suspicious behaviour to Police Scotland on 101, or 999 in an emergency. Sign up to the Neighbourhood Watch Scotland Alert system to receive localised alerts about crime prevention and safety issues

Trading Standards Scotland
www.tsscot.co.uk

Feedback from a meeting/contacting your Community Policing Team

Anyone with information relating to any criminal activity can contact Police Scotland by dialling 101 or alternatively anonymously by calling **CRIMESTOPPERS** on **0800 555111**.

Should the Community Council wish to discuss any matters highlighted in the report, please contact:

EastBerwickshireCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk

We will endeavour to provide you with this information, however some information is sensitive and as an organisation we have to ensure compliance with GDPR.