

Scottish Borders Area Command

The Lothians and Scottish Borders

East Berwickshire Community Councils Multi Member Ward Report for June 2025



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.

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Community Update – East Berwickshire

This month PC Jacobs and PC Cameron have been busy working across the Borders region along with their colleagues supporting various summer festivals including the Hawick Common Riding, Selkirk Common Riding, Melrose Summer Festival and Gala Braw Lads.

PC Cameron has been busy with the end of year events in his Schools, including a Nursery Colour Run, Health and Wellbeing Day and having the privilege of attending Eyemouth Primary Schools P7 Leavers assembly. Most importantly however, PC Cameron delivered assemblies to all year groups at EHS on Summer Safety, covering Water Safety and being safe round the harbour, Fire safety and the dangers of Wild fires, and finally Anti Social Behaviour and its impact on the community. These assemblies were delivered alongside SFRS and had some very critical messaging to keep our young people safe across a long summer holiday.

PC Cameron and PC Jacobs were delighted to attend Cockburnspath Primary School's annual beach day. PC Cameron delivered a talk on water saftey and keeping safe before he and PC Jacobs delivered workshops on the recovery position and how to carry out CPR. All the children were then able to practice this life saving skill.



Following a number of complaints from local residents in Allanton, PC Jacobs carried out a speed check in the Main Street. One driver was issued with a warning in keeping with the Lord Advocates Guidelines. All other vehicles were found to be driving within the speed limit.

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PC Jacobs has been involved with meetings with Berwickshire Housing Association and the Scottish Borders Council Anti-Social Behaviour Unit in order to discuss ongoing issues within the community. Following this, 2 residents were required to sign Acceptable Behaviour Contracts which have been effective in addressing their disruptive behaviour

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 June 2025 Police in the Scottish Borders attended and were involved with around 193 mental health related calls, around 33 missing person enquiries and approximately 95 domestic related incidents.

East Berwickshire had 15 mental health related calls and 2 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 10/06/2025 report of an altercation between two motorists on the B6355 involving assault and vandalism. Enquiries ongoing.

On 22/06/2025 report of a male having been assaulted within the Tavern Public House, Eyemouth. Enquiries ongoing.

On 27/06/2025 report of an assault within The Fleet Bar, Eyemouth. Crime Report submitted for further enquiry.

Anti-Social Behaviour

On 08/06/2025 report of youths causing a nuisance riding quadbikes on the Main Street in Reston. No complaints being made, reported for awareness only. Briefing note compiled and circulated.

On 09/06/2025 report of youths being within a derelict outbuilding near to Eyemouth Golf Club. No youths present on police arrival.

On 11/06/2025 report of male being verbally threatened in Dominies Way, Chirnside. Male did not want to make any complaints. Community Officer made aware.

On 12/06/2025 report of male attending the Community Drop-in at the Church Hall, Eyemouth and acting in a threatening manner. Officers attended and one male arrested for an assault, possession of a bladed article in a public place and a vandalism.

On 17/06/2025 report of unknown persons throwing rocks at the window of a property in Hurkur Crescent, Eyemouth. Officers attended. House in darkness. Area checked, no damage seen.

On 18/06/2025 report of persons banging on the bedroom window of a property in Acredale Road, Eyemouth. Officers attended. Area searched no trace of persons. Spoke with informant and advice given.

On 19/06/2025 report of a disturbance ongoing between a group of people outside The Tavern Pub, Eyemouth. Upon police arrival, most of the group had dispersed. No complaints made.

On 20/06/2025 report of loud music playing all day within a property on High Street, Ayton. Officers attended, no noise coming from stated property or surrounding area.

Vandalism/vehicle damage

On 07/06/2025 report of damage to a garden shed in Seafield, Eyemouth. Enquiries ongoing.

On 10/06/2025 report of the glass panel of a front door in Stebbings Rise, Eyemouth having been smashed by a stone. Male arrested and charged.

On 16/06/2025 report of a car having been scratched. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries complete.

Reducing Acquisitive Crime

Theft by Housebreaking

On 01/06/2025 report of entry being gained to a property in Hurkur Crescent, Eyemouth and items taken. Enquiries complete.

Theft

On 02/06/2025 report of theft shoplifting in the Community Shop in Co'path. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing.

On 11/06/2025 report of theft shoplifting in the Community Shop in Co'path. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing.

On 23/06/2025 report of the theft of a quad bike from Fulfordlees Farmhouse, Co'path. Statements noted. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing.

On 24/06/2025 report of theft shoplifting in the Community Shop in Co'path. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing.

On 25/06/2025 report of theft shoplifting in the Community Shop in Co'path. Enquiries continuing.

On 26/06/2025 report of theft of quad bike from outside a stable building at Belstruther Farm, Grantshouse. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing.

On 27/06/2025 report of two Males fighting in Chapel Quay, Chapel Street, Eyemouth. Informant left the property and contacted police. On his return he noticed that his mountain bike had been taken. Statement provided and bike traced at another property. Male traced, arrested and interviewed. Crime Reports submitted.

Improving Road Safety

- On 04/06/2025 a driver was issued a fine for driving with no MOT in Cockburnspath
- On 04/06/2025 a driver was issued a fine and penalty points for tyre grooves less than
 1.6mm (cars/light goods) in Cockburnspath
- On 04/06/2025 a driver was issued a fine and penalty points for a dangerous load in Cockburnspath
- On 10/06/2025 a driver was issued a fine for driving with no MOT in Cockburnspath
- On 10/06/2025 a driver was issued a fine for unauthorised glass fitted in Eyemouth
- On 11/06/2025 a driver was issued a fine and penalty points for driving with no insurance in Penmanshiel

• On 30/06/2025 – a driver was issued a fine for unauthorised glass fitted in Chirnside



Tackling Serious and Organised Crime

The Scottish Borders CID Proactive Unit executed 12 Drug & General Evidence Warrants during the month of June which resulted in the seizures of quantities of Class A/B controlled drugs and over £20,000 cash from the various addresses.

14 persons were reported for drug related offences during the month. These incidents were within Galashiels, Kelso Duns, Hawick and Peebles.

A report was also submitted in related to human trafficking offences committed by a nominal in the East of the Scottish Borders and another cannabis cultivation seizure in that area of the Borders has attracted a degree of media interest.

Proactive CID would like to re-enforce 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



Drowning Prevention Week (DPW) targets families, carers, teachers and instructors of children aged five to fifteen years old with the aim of educating them about water safety.

With the right water safety education – such as knowledge of the Water Safety Code – accidental drownings are preventable. Drowning Prevention Week is deliberately timed ahead of the school summer holidays when children spend more time outdoors and when vital water safety skills can help keep children safe.

Please help spread the word and encourage everyone to have the water safety conversation with children. DPW is critical in raising awareness and encouraging the public to enjoy water safely.

There are lots of leisure operators and swimming pools/schools getting involved in Drowning Prevention Week this year.

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.