

Scottish Borders Area Command

The Lothians and Scottish Borders

East Berwickshire Community Councils Multi Member Ward Report for July 2025 (Up to 31/7).



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.

Community Update – East Berwickshire

Berwickshire School Link Officer, PC Cameron, and East Berwickshire Community Officer PC Jacobs were on annual leave in July. This meant that unfortunately PC Jacobs was unable to attend the Eyemouth Herring Queen events, however they were covered other members of the community policig team who report a great atmosphere in the town and excellent organisation and marshaling. Well done to all those involved. PC Jacobs was dissappointed not to have been able to attend this year and will hopefully be on hand to assist for next years events.

PC Jacobs was able to assist in return with Duns Sumer Festival Events earlier in the month, covering for Mid Berwickshire Community Officer PC MacLeod.

July saw a decrease in reported Antisocial behaviour incidents in Eyemouth and a very low amount of youth antisocial behaviour calls, demonstrating the vast majority of young people in our communities are responsible and respectful. PC Cameron spent time carrying out antisocial behaviour awareness inputs to young people in schools prior to the summer holidays and this would also appear to have had a positive effect.

Many Scottish Borders officers were required to assist our colleagues with the visit of President Trump at the end of July. Those who didn't travel to attend assisted with response policing calls in the Borders, ending a particularly busy month for community officers in the Scottish Borders.

The below link gives access to the latest Police document for the Scrutiny Panel for the Police, Fire and Rescue and Safer Communities Board, which sits twice per year at Scottish Borders Council.

Item No. 5a- Scottish Borders Scrutiny Q4 2024 2025.pdf

Once you click into this link, please scroll down to read the full report. It provides progress and updates on service matters from Police Scotland as presented by the Local Area Commander CI Stuart Fletcher.

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 July 2025 Police in the Scottish Borders attended and were involved with around 238 mental health related calls, around 24 missing person enquiries and approximately 120 domestic related incidents.

East Berwickshire had 31 mental health related calls and 0 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.

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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 08/07/2025 report of a male having been assaulted whilst within The Penny Petroleum, Eyemouth. Officers attended, statements noted and CCTV viewed. One male traced and issued with a Recorded Police Warning.
- On 11/07/2025 report of an assault whilst at the beach in Eyemouth. Crime Report submitted. Male been traced and charged with assault.

Anti-Social Behaviour

- On 08/07/2025 report of an ongoing disturbance at Eyemouth Holiday Park. One male arrested for an outstanding warrant
- On 09/07/2025 report of youths causing a nuisance by shouting and swearing and throwing stones and rubbish into the driveway of a property in Fort Road, Eyemouth. No damage caused, community officers made aware for passing attention.
- On 10/07/2025 report of persons knocking on the door of a property in Hurkur Crescent, Eyemouth and verbally threatening the householder. Ethical crime report submitted.
- On 11/07/2025 report of youths throwing cans onto the conservatory roof of a property in Gillsland, Eyemouth. Both males to be spoken to in the presence of their parents.
- On 11/07/2025 report of youths being loud in the car park area at Coldingham Sands,
 Coldingham. No sets free due to ongoing calls. No further calls received.
- On 12/07/2025 report of two males being verbally abusive to a male within the curtilage area of Eyemouth Freezers Ltd, Eyemouth. Complainers spoken to, advice given
- On 18/07/2025 report of youths within the community centre grounds in Grantshouse.
 Caller concerned for their safety if they were within the building as it is in a state of disrepair. No youths on police arrival.
- On 25/07/2025 report of a male shouting at youths in the Co'path area. Suitable advice given.

Vandalism/vehicle damage

 On 15/07/2025 report of a wooden planter having been vandalised outside Oblo, Harbour Road, Eyemouth. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing.

Reducing Acquisitive Crime

Theft

- On 02/07/2025 report of theft from a boat moored at St Abbs Harbour. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries complete.
- On 04/07/2025 report of theft of items from a property in Auchencrow. Crime Report submitted and enquiries continuing.
- On 05/07/2025 report of theft shoplifting from Co'path Community Shop. Crime Report submitted. Male to be reported.
- On 05/07/2025 report of a female filling her vehicle with fuel at Penny Petroleum, Eyemouth and driving away without paying. Enquires ongoing to trace Female.
- On 18/07/2025 report of a shoplifting and failing to pay whilst at the Co'path Community Shop and assault. Male to be reported for both offences
- On 23/07/2025 report of theft of metal signs from the driveway of a property in School Road, Coldingham. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing.
- On 29/07/2025 report of theft of plants from a garden in Fort Road, Eyemouth. Enquiries ongoing.
- On 30/07/2025 report of theft of items from a property in St Abbs. Statement noted.
 Enquiries ongoing.
- On 31/07/2025 report of theft from the recycling centre at Gunsgreenhill Industrial Estate, Eyemouth. Crime submitted and enquiries continuing.

Improving Road Safety

On 04/07/2025 – a driver was issued a fine for driving with no MOT in Eyemouth



Tackling Serious and Organised Crime

Serious and organised crime enforcement - July 2025

The Scottish Borders CID Proactive Unit executed 6 Drug & General Evidence Warrants during the month of July which resulted in the seizures of significant quantities of Class B, A controlled drugs with a street value of £15000, and cash in excess of £1000 from the various addresses.

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3 persons were arrested, and 7 persons were reported for drug related offences during the month. These incidents were within Galashiels, Kelso, Eyemouth and Hawick.

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

Samaritans Awareness Month





Every year in July, Samaritans throughout the UK hold events to raise awareness that Samaritans are here to listen to anyone who's struggling to cope, at any time of the day or night. Samaritans. Every life lost to suicide is a tragedy and Samaritans are here to listen. There are many healthy coping mechanisms you can use, one of which includes reaching out for help and talking to someone you trust. Talking to someone has many benefits including;

- Helps you process your emotions
- Helps you feel less alone
- Helps to route you onto support
- Helps to reduce stigma
- Talking to someone about how you feel can be daunting, especially if it's the first time you've spoken about your feelings to someone.

If you need to speak to someone, you can contact Samaritans for free 24/7 by calling 116 123 or emailing jo@samaritans.org

Helping someone with a mental health problem - Mind The mental health charity Mind have shared tips on how to begin that conversation with family, a friend or your GP, as well as supporting someone struggling with a specific problem or diagnosis.

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

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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.