

This is the January edition of your monthly newsletter.

There were 40 reported crimes in respect of your ward for the month of December 2007.



AUTO CRIME

I'm delighted to say that once again there were NO THEFTS of motor vehicles this month.

DOMESTIC HOUSEBREAKING

There was one attempted housebreaking. Between the 22nd and 24th an attempt was made to force entry to a room within a hostel at Bruntsfield Place. No entry was gained.

BUSINESS HOUSEBREAKING

There was one attempted business housebreaking. This occurred on the overnight between the 5th-6th at Polwarth Terrace. A window was smashed and entry gained but the culprit made off without stealing any property.

THEFT PEDAL CYCLE

There were seven theft of pedal cycles this month.

THEFT FROM VEHICLES

There were two thefts from vehicles.

On the 20th an INSECURE Heavy Goods Vehicle was entered and a large sum of money stolen whilst parked unattended at Forbes Road.

Between the 28th and the 30th the boot of a Peugeot motor car was entered and golf clubs and equipment was stolen.

THEFT SHOPLIFTING

There were seven thefts by shoplifting this month. With the exception of one shoplifting of jewellery, all the other shopliftings related to food and drink items.

ARRESTS/ REPORTS

A 39 year old male was reported for urinating in public at Gillespie Place on the 2nd.

A 22 year old male was reported for theft by shoplifting at Home Street on the 6th.

A 19 year old male was reported for breach of the peace at Leamington Terrace on the 6th.

A 26 year old male was reported for a taxi fraud at Montpelier Park on the 10th.

A 43 year old male was reported for a theft shoplifting at Colinton Road on the 20th.

A 42 year old male was reported for a domestic assault at Viewforth Gardens on the 27th.

INFORMATION

Throughout December there were High Visibility foot patrols in Bruntsfield and Morningside with the purpose of preventing retail and alcohol related crime.

There was certainly a decrease in crime in December and although there were incidents of shoplifting the incidents related to relatively low value food and drink thefts from supermarkets. With one exception there were no thefts from any other retail premises.

TAGGED INCIDENTS

During the month there were 174 incidents logged by the police in respect of your ward. Of these only 17 were graded 1, i.e. emergencies; 35 were Graded 2 i.e. not emergencies but should be responded to within one hour. The remainder were dealt with by the Community Beat Officer or patrol officers.

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AND FINALLY.....

Crime figures, for the month of December were again lower than the previous month. This is a welcome trend and hopefully the figures will continue to fall.

Together with your help we can continue to prevent crime and take the appropriate measures to prevent ourselves from becoming statistics.

Have a fantastic and crime free 2008.

