

A Division Community and Neighbourhood Watch News



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'Work With Us'

Divisional Commanders Message

CITY
WIDE

A number of unplanned incidents over the last few months have demonstrated the unpredictable nature of policing and provided requirement to address investigation and resource issues across the City. I wish to highlight that the focus, despite these unexpected demands, is still very much on the provision of an appropriate service to our community. The ability for police officers and staff to continue to provide this service is aided through joint working arrangements with our partners as well as liaison with the community.

The demand on police resources continues throughout June, which is traditionally a very busy month for us with a number of events taking place across the city. This is also a forerunner to the summer months of July and August, which incorporate the school holidays and a number of major events such as the Edinburgh International Festival and the Royal Military Tattoo, as well as the increased number of smaller events across the Division. We will, however, strive to continue to provide the same level of service in local communities as we do at all other times in the year.

As always, if you have any concerns you wish brought to our attention your Community Beat Officer can provide invaluable advice and support.

Chief Superintendent Colin Campbell

Summer "Slip In" Thefts

HOT
TOPICS

At this time of year we regularly notice a rise in the number of "Slip In" thefts. These are committed in a number of ways; the most common being when you are in the garden and the thief slips into your house through an insecure door or window and steals your valuables. Similarly if it's a nice day and you leave windows or doors insecure whilst you go about your business inside the house you are leaving your property open to criminals.

Remember, it only takes a second to slip in and steal cash, credit cards, jewellery, digital camera, MP3 player, laptop or even your car.

If you are in your back garden, make sure that your front door is locked and secured, not just on the Yale lock as these are easy to overcome. Similarly if you have a conservatory or patio doors at the rear of your home it is important to secure them to prevent anyone slipping in whilst you're working in your garden. In the rare event that we experience a particularly warm and pleasant summer, do not be tempted to leave your windows open when you're out the house. Open windows can be an invitation to thieves and please remember to keep your car keys safe. Modern cars are virtually impossible to steal without the true key so don't leave them lying around in vulnerable areas. Keep your keys with you or secure them in a safe place, not on a key hook or near the front door.

SM47 Morningside/ Meadows

Local News

Ward 10 Beat 47

This is the June edition of your monthly newsletter.

There were 34 reported crimes in respect of your ward for the month of May 2009.



DOMESTIC HOUSEBREAKING

There was one domestic housebreaking.

On the 7th premises at Bruntsfield Place were entered after climbing scaffolding and jemmying open a window.

BUSINESS HOUSEBREAKING

There were two business break ins this month.

On the 20th premises at Bruntsfield Place were entered by bending security bars to the rear of the premises, and climbing through. Cash was stolen from within.

On the 23rd a shed at premises in Polwarth Terrace were entered and paint stolen from within.



THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLES

There was one attempted theft of a vehicle. This occurred at Lochrin Place on the 5th when attempts were made to remove the vehicles cowling and start the engine.

VEHICLE CRIME

There were three thefts from vehicles this month.

Between 3rd-5th at Napier Road an INSECURE Mercedes was entered and £5 stolen. A 41 year old male has been reported for this crime.

On the 16th at South Etrick Road a window was smashed on a Saab motor car and a bag and contents were stolen.

Overnight between 18th-19th at Westhall Gardens an INSECURE Rover motor car was entered and sunglasses stolen.

REPORTS/CRIMES

An 41 year old male was reported for theft at Napier Road between the 3rd -5th.

A 45 year old male was reported for breach of the peace at Home Street on the 21st

A 38 year old male was reported for breach of the peace at Bruntsfield Place on the 21st

REPORTS/CRIMES

A 31 year old male was reported for breach of bail conditions at Polwarth Terrace on the 22nd

There were no thefts from vehicles last month. This month there were three thefts, two of which were from INSECURE vehicles.

ONCE AGAIN, DO NOT LEAVE YOUR VEHICLE/PROPERTY INSECURE WHEN LEFT UNATTENDED.

TAGGED INCIDENTS

During the month there were 164 incidents logged by the police in respect of your ward. Of these only 8 were graded 1, i.e. emergencies; 52 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....

