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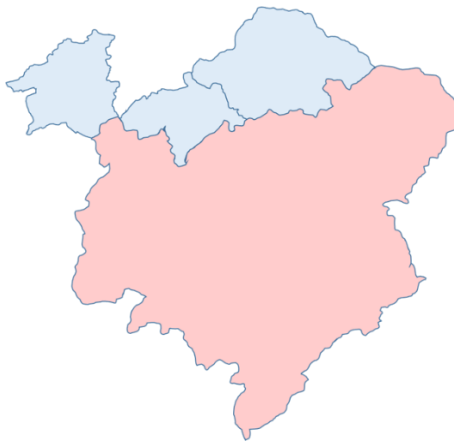


Scottish Borders Area Command

The Lothians and Scottish Borders

Tweeddale East and West Community Councils

Multi Member Ward Report for July 2025



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

The 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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North Area Community Policing News – PS Crawford Laing

The busy event season continued through July with Common Ridings and local Festivals giving Community Officers the opportunity to get involved with the Policing of these festivities. Through the Summer I have been involved at Hawick, Selkirk, Peebles, Galashiels, Innerleithen and finally my hometown of Lauder. It has been a pleasure to work at these events in what is the more enjoyable part of the job.



You will see towards the end of this report that the Samaritans Charity highlight their services during the month of July. They offer support all day every day to anyone who needs it. As a society, we have become more aware of Mental Health in recent years, especially since the Covid Pandemic and there are many support services out there who can help if people are struggling to cope with life. As a Police Officer, I have seen people from all walks of life suffer with poor mental health and I have also seen how support can help. I would encourage anyone who is struggling to reach out for support whether that is from an organisation such as the Samaritans, from friends and family or from a GP.

Local Policing Priorities

1. Protecting most vulnerable

2. Reducing violence and Anti-Social Behaviour
3. Reducing acquisitive crime
4. Improving road safety
5. Tackling serious and organised crime



Protecting most vulnerable

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 120 domestic related incidents.

Tweeddale East and West had 14 mental health related calls and 6 missing person enquiries. 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 16/07/2025 report of an assault in, Peebles. Victim refused to engage with Police regarding circumstances. Limited lines of enquiry completed.

Anti-Social Behaviour

- On 05/07/2025 report of neighbour dispute regarding parking at Northgate, Peebles. No criminality and advice given.
- On 19/07/2025 report of youths causing a disturbance in Hall Street, Innerleithen. No trace of youths on police arrival, enquiries complete.

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- On 21/07/2025 report of a disturbance near Broughton. Female traced and charged.
- On 21/07/2025 report of food items damaged and left on garden at Craigerne Drive, Peebles. Advice given, enquiries complete.
- On 25/07/2025 report of neighbour dispute at Kingsland Square, Peebles. Advice given, enquiries complete.
- On 25/07/2025 report of youths causing a disturbance and chasing each other at Kingsmeadow Road, Peebles. Officers attended, no trace of youths, no criminality identified.
- On 25/07/2025 report of neighbour dispute at Cardona, Peebles. Advice given, enquiries complete.
- On 27/07/2025 report of a disturbance at Kingsmeadow Road, Peebles. Culprit arrested and charged with 3 offences and held in custody for court.
- On 27/07/2025 report of neighbour dispute at George Terrace, Peebles. Advice given, enquiries complete.
- On 31/07/2025 report of neighbour dispute at Violent Bank, Peebles. No criminality identified and advice given.

Vandalism

- On 03/07/2025 report of damage to car at Old Town, Peebles. Enquiries complete.
- On 07/07/2025 report of damage caused to cabling at Telecommunications Masts at Tweedsmuir. Remote site, enquiry completed.
- Reports on 07/07/2025 & 11/07/2025 of vandalism to Community Garden, St Ronan's Primary School. Enquiries ongoing.
- On 20/07/2025 report of damage caused at West Linton Tennis Club. Enquiry complete.
- On 25/07/2025 report of vandalism at The Pavillion, Tweed Green, Peebles. Enquires complete.
- On 29/07/2025 report of vandalism to disused building at Old Town, Peebles. Enquiries ongoing.
- On 30/07/2025 report of vandalism at Kingsmeadow Road, Peebles. Enquiry complete.

Reducing Acquisitive Crime

Theft by Housebreaking

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- On 02/07/2025 report of attempt theft at The Smithy, West Linton. Enquiries ongoing.
- On 11/07/2025 report of an attempt break-in to Farm Buildings at Goatfoot, Skirling. Enquiries ongoing.
- On 23/07/2025 report of theft at Miller Street, Innerleithen. Enquiries ongoing.

Theft

- On 02/07/2025 report of theft from Tesco, Peebles. Enquiries complete.
- On 06/07/2025 report of theft from Tesco, Peebles. Culprit identified, charged and reported.
- On 09/07/2025 report of theft of Pop-Up Policeman from Skirling House, Biggar. Enquiries complete and culprit not identified.
- On 16/07/2025 report of theft of purse at Clark Place, Peebles. Enquiries complete.
- On 20/07/2025 report of theft of van from Traquair Road, Innerleithen. Enquiries ongoing.
- On 22/07/2025 report of theft from Tesco, Peebles. Enquiries ongoing.
- On 22/07/2025 report of theft of Quad Bike at Deanfoot Road in West, West Linton. Enquiries ongoing.
- On 24/07/2025 report of theft of number plates from vehicle parked at Barony Castle, Eddleston. Enquiries ongoing.
- On 30/07/2025 report of theft from BP Petrol Station, Peebles. Enquiries ongoing.



Improving Road Safety

- On 20/07/2025 – a driver was issued a fine and penalty points for careless/inconsiderate driving in Broughton

Killed or Seriously Injured

None



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

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B, A controlled drugs with a street value of £15000, and cash in excess of £1000 from the various addresses.

Three people were arrested and seven people 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**

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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.

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:

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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.

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