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Leith Harbour & Newhaven Community Council meeting January 2022

compiled by Leith Community Policing Team – 23/01/22



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Welcome to our LHNCC newsletter for January 2022!

Breakdown of calls in north Leith/Newhaven area for December 2021 (approx 377 in total)*:

- 22 calls relating to public nuisance
- 1 covid-related call
- 19 neighbour disputes
- 32 calls of theft/housebreaking
- 7 domestic-related calls
- 17 calls of other violence
- 2 incidents with hate motivation
- 19 loud noise/music-related calls
- 42 concern-for/missing person calls
- 10 drug-related call

*stats for period 19/11-27/12/21

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Breakdown of calls in north Leith/Newhaven area for January 2022 (approx 181 in total)*:

- 7 calls relating to public nuisance
 - 2 covid-related call
 - 10 neighbour disputes
 - 15 calls of theft/housebreaking
 - 16 domestic-related calls
 - 8 calls of other violence
 - 1 incident with hate motivation
 - 10 loud noise/music-related calls
 - 20 concern-for/missing person calls
 - 0 drug-related calls
- *stats for period 28/12/21-22/01/22

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Coronavirus pandemic

The Police response under Operation Talla has continued in line with the updated Government regulations:

Current Government advice to stay safe in relation to COVID-19 includes to:

- get the vaccine or vaccine booster
- take regular lateral flow tests - especially before mixing with other people or visiting a hospital or care home
- follow the guidance on self-isolating/booking a test
- wear a face covering where required
- limit your social contact - gather in groups of no more than 3 households
- wash your hands regularly and cover your nose and mouth if coughing or sneezing
- open windows when meeting indoors
- work from home, if you can
- use the apps: COVID status, Protect Scotland and Check-in Scotland

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Some notable actions/events/incidents:

- On 30th November, we attended at Prince Of Wales Dock to visit the Leith Sea Cadets and discuss matters relevant to young people, including their views on the Police and policing values, drugs, alcohol and personal & online safety. The talks were well-received and seemed to be enjoyed by both the cadets and our officers!
- During December and early January, we were attached to the policing of Edinburgh winter markets at Princes Street and George Street, providing a visible presence for the safety and assistance of members of public.
- Officers from across Edinburgh have been assisting with enquiries into the whereabouts of Alathea Byrne, who was reported missing from the Portobello area on 1st January. Please see the penultimate slide for the Police Scotland information appeal.
- Victoria Primary school has now relocated to its new home at Western Harbour Drive. We have liaised with the school and conducted uniformed patrols at pupil drop-off & collection times, with the Council-appointed School Crossing Patrol Guide due to start on Tuesday 25th January. We have also spoken with the Heart Of Newhaven community project regarding their exciting and varied plans for the old school building at Newhaven Main Street and are hopeful of having a part to play in its use in the future.
- With football and rugby matches now being attended by large crowds, we are to be once again deployed at the high-profile SFA matches and the 6 Nations rugby matches in the near future.

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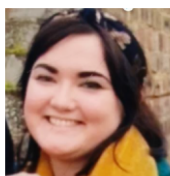
Some of the local issues we have been tackling:

- We conducted dedicated uniformed patrols of Ocean Terminal following an incident where a group of youths began fighting outside Subway on 10/12/21. We engaged with local businesses, security staff and those using the centre and there was no repeat incident reported.
- Acting upon intelligence obtained by local community officers, drugs warrants were executed at private addresses on North Junction Street & Western Harbour View in November & December, with £1000 worth of heroin, bags of blue tablets, 127g of crack cocaine seized and four persons arrested on drug-supply charges.
- We have conducted uniformed & plain-clothes patrols of main stairs at Ferry Road, North Junction Street and Admiralty Street and public parks in the Leith area, following calls to Police about drug misuse and antisocial behaviour.
- In the next few weeks, we shall be conducting road traffic operations and uniformed patrols to combat driving offences and antisocial behaviour at local hotspots in Leith.

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MISSING PERSON

Appeal For Information



Alatheia (Alice) Byrne (28)

- White female, 5ft 6in, medium build, short black hair. She has tattoos of bats on her wrists and ribs.
- Alice was last seen on the morning of 1st January 2022 in the Marlborough Street area of Portobello. She was last seen wearing a black t-shirt, black ripped jeans and white trainers.
- Police in Edinburgh are growing increasingly concerned for the welfare of Alice Byrne who has been reported missing.



Anyone with information is asked to contact police on 101, quoting incident number 0647 of 02/01/2022.

Do you know anything that may assist police?

Police non-emergency number: **101** Incident Number: **0647** of 2 January 2022

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