



Police and Fire and Rescue Services Committee

Thursday, 23 August 2018

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Meeting of the **Police and Fire and Rescue Services Committee** is to be held at **Council Chambers, Council Office, High Street, Elgin, IV30 1BX** on **Thursday, 23 August 2018** at **09:30**.

BUSINESS

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2 Declaration of Group Decisions and Members Interests *

3 Resolution

Consider, and if so decide, adopt the following resolution:
"That under Section 50A (4) and (5) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, the public and media representatives be excluded from the meeting for Item 11 of business on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information of the class described in the relevant Paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act."

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- Consider any oral question on matters delegated to the Committee in terms of the Council's Scheme of Administration.
- Item which the Committee may wish to consider with the Press and Public excluded**
- 11 Police Operational Update**
- Information relating to action taken, or to be taken, in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime.

Summary of Police and Fire and Rescue Services

Committee functions:

The following functions of the Council shall stand referred or delegated to this Committee:

- (1) To deal with all matters relating to Police and Fire and Rescue Services in Moray.
- (2) To participate in consultations relative to national strategic plans and priorities for the Police and Fire and Rescue Services.
- (3) To work with the Local Police Commander and the Local Senior Officer for the Fire and Rescue Service to set priorities and objectives for Local Police Plans and Local Fire and Rescue Plans for Moray.
- (4) To monitor delivery of the Police and Fire and Rescue Services in Moray, providing feedback and making recommendations for improvements as required.
- (5) To call for reports from the Local Police Commander or the Local Senior Officer for the Fire and Rescue Service on issues relevant to the delivery of the Police or Fire and Rescue Service in Moray as appropriate.
- (6) To facilitate Community Planning relative to the Police and Fire and Rescue Services in accordance with statutory guidance.

Any person attending the meeting who requires access assistance should contact customer services on 01343 563217 in advance of the meeting.

* **Declaration of Group Decisions and Members Interests** - The Chair of the meeting shall seek declarations from any individual or political group at the beginning of a meeting whether any prior decision has been reached on how the individual or members of the group will vote on any item(s) of business on the Agenda, and if so on which item(s). A prior decision shall be one that the individual or the group deems to be mandatory on the individual or the group members such that the individual or the group members will be subject to sanctions should they not vote in accordance with the prior decision. Any such prior decisions will be recorded in the Minute of the meeting.

** **Written Questions** - Any Member can put one written question about any relevant and competent business within the specified remits not already on the agenda, to the Chair provided it is received by the Proper Officer or Committee Services by 12 noon two working days prior to the day of the meeting. A copy of any written answer provided by the Chair will be tabled at the start of the relevant section of the meeting. The Member who has put the question may, after the answer has been given, ask one supplementary question directly related to the subject matter, but no discussion will be allowed.

No supplementary question can be put or answered more than 10 minutes after the Council has started on the relevant item of business, except with the consent of the Chair. If a Member does not have the opportunity to put a supplementary question because no time remains, then he or she can submit it in writing to the Proper Officer who will arrange for a written answer to be provided within 7 working days.

*** **Question Time** - At each ordinary meeting of the Committee ten minutes will be allowed for Members questions when any Member of the Committee can put a question to the Chair on any business within the remit of that Section of the Committee. The Member who has put the question may, after the answer has been given, ask one supplementary question directly related to the subject matter, but no discussion will be allowed.

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Police and Fire and Rescue Services Committee

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**MINUTE OF MEETING OF THE POLICE AND FIRE AND
RESCUE SERVICES COMMITTEE****THURSDAY 24 MAY 2018****COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ELGIN****PRESENT**

Councillors J Allan (Chair); R Shepherd (Depute Chair); G Cowie; P Coy; J Divers;
L Laing; M MacRae and A Patience.

APOLOGIES

Apologies were intimated on behalf of Councillor L Creswell.

IN ATTENDANCE

Chief Superintendent C Thomson and Detective Inspector N Stevenson both Police Scotland; Mr I Findlay, Local Senior Officer, Scottish Fire and Rescue Services; the Head of Development Services and Mrs C Howie, Committee Services Officer as Clerk to the Committee.

1. DECLARATION OF GROUP DECISIONS AND MEMBER'S INTERESTS

In terms of Standing Order 20 and the Councillors' Code of Conduct, there were no declarations from Group Leaders or Spokespersons in regard to any prior decisions taken on how Members will vote on any item on the agenda or any declarations of Member's interests in respect of any item on the agenda.

2. EXEMPT INFORMATION

The meeting resolved that in terms of Section 50A (4) and (5) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, as amended, the public and media representatives be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the items of business appearing at the relevant paragraphs of this minute as specified below, so as to avoid disclosure of exempt information of the class described in the appropriate paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 7A of the Act.

Paragraph No. of Minute**Paragraph No. of Schedule 7A**

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**3. MINUTE OF THE POLICE AND FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES
COMMITTEE DATED 15 FEBRUARY 2018**

The minute of the meeting of the Police and Fire and Rescue Services Committee dated 15 February 2018 was submitted and approved.

4. WRITTEN QUESTIONS

The Committee noted that no written questions had been submitted.

5. SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE MORAY PERFORMANCE REPORT 1 APRIL 2017 TO 31 MARCH 2018

Under reference to paragraph 5 of the Minute of the meeting dated 23 November 2017 a report by Mr Ian Findlay, Local Senior Officer, Aberdeenshire and Moray, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service informed the Committee of the performance of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service locally in respect of the Moray Local Fire and Rescue Plan 2017-20.

Following consideration the Committee agreed to note the performance outlined in the report applicable to the annual performance for 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018.

6. POLICE OPERATIONAL VERBAL UPDATE

A verbal update on Police Operations was provided by Chief Superintendent Campbell Thomson, Divisional Police Commander, North East Division, Police Scotland.

In response to a query from Councillor Coy, Chief Superintendent Thomson advised there had been interaction with almost 100 people in relation to illegal parking which has led to an improvement in the situation.

Chief Superintendent Thomson advised year end data would not be released until Monday; thereafter it was his intention to bring a full report to the next meeting of the Committee.

Chief Superintendent Thomson advised that the Moray Group of the Police Scotland Youth Volunteers (PSYV) meets at Elgin High School and gave a brief overview of some of the events they have been involved in. He enquired if Committee would wish to receive a report on the PSYV to the next meeting and Committee agreed this would be of benefit. Thereafter he advised the Group would be having a passing out parade on 6 June for those volunteers who had completed their training and invited Committee to attend.

Thereafter the Committee agreed to:

- i) note the operational update provided by Chief Superintendent Thomson;
- ii) a report on the year end data being presented to the next meeting; and
- iii) a report on the Police Scotland Youth Volunteers Moray Group being presented to the next meeting.

7. THEMATIC REPORT – OPPORTUNIST CRIME

A report by Chief Superintendent Campbell Thomson, Divisional Police Commander, North East Division, Police Scotland provided information to the Committee in relation to Acquisitive Crime, in particular those which have an opportunist element within Moray.

Following consideration, the Committee agreed to note the information provided in the report in relation to Acquisitive Crime, in particular those which have an opportunist element within Moray.

8. QUESTION TIME

Councillor Coy took the opportunity to thank Mr Findlay for the recent opportunity to visit the fire station which she found to be particularly informative.

9. POLICE OPERATIONAL VERBAL UPDATE [PARA 14]

A verbal update by Chief Superintendent Campbell Thomson, Divisional Police Commander, North East Division, Police Scotland provided information on operational matters within Police Scotland.

Following consideration the Committee agreed to note the informative operational update from Police Scotland.



POLICE SCOTLAND OPERATIONAL UPDATE



**REPORT TO: POLICE AND FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES COMMITTEE ON
23 AUGUST 2018**

SUBJECT: POLICE PERFORMANCE

**BY: CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT CAMPBELL THOMSON, DIVISIONAL
POLICE COMMANDER, NORTH EAST DIVISION, POLICE
SCOTLAND**

1. REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 To inform the Committee of the performance of Police in respect of the Local Policing Plan 2017-20 and other key indicators.
- 1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of Section III (J) (4) of the Council's Scheme of Administration relating to the monitoring of delivery of the Police and Fire and Rescue Services in Moray.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended that the Police and Fire & Rescue Services Committee:-

- (i) scrutinise performance outlined in the reports; and
- (ii) note that the Local Commander will continue to report to the Committee quarterly on performance measures against service objectives as articulated in the 2017-20 Local Policing Plan.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 An initial draft of The Moray Local Policing Plan 2017-20 was circulated by email to Committee on 7 February 2017 for information and presented for consultation / feedback at Committee on 16 February 2017 (paragraph 7 of the minute refers). Following local elections a revised copy of the plan was presented to Committee on 1 June 2017 (paragraph 13 of the minute refers). The final version of The Moray Local Policing Plan 2017-20 is on the agenda of this Committee for approval.
- 3.2 Section 47(2) of the Police and Fire Reform Act 2012 states "a local police plan is a plan which:-

- a. sets out the main priorities and objectives for the policing of the local authority's area.
 - b. where reasonably practicable, identifies outcomes by reference to which the achievement of those priorities and objectives may be measured."
- 3.3 The performance report (**Appendix 1**) provides those outcomes, as per Section 47(2)(d) of the Act, for the last quarter of the year for the Moray Council Area. In addition, it is supported with further key indicators to assist context of the outcomes of the Local Policing Plan.

4. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) Corporate Plan and 10 Year Plan (Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP))

The Moray Council's responsibilities with regards to the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 are directly relevant to Community Planning and the Single Outcome Agreement.

(b) Policy and Legal

This report is presented to the Moray Police and Fire and Rescue Services Committee within its remit for local scrutiny of the Police.

(c) Financial Implications

There are no identified financial implications.

(d) Risk Implications

There are no identified risk implications.

(e) Staffing Implications

There are no identified staffing implications.

(f) Property

Not applicable.

(g) Equalities/Socio Economic Impact

Not applicable.

(h) Consultations

The Local Policing Plan, upon which the performance is reporting, was subject to consultation with elected representatives, and was heavily influenced by ongoing feedback from local communities within the Moray Council area.

5. CONCLUSION

5.1 This report informs the Committee of the performance of Police in respect of the Local Policing Plan 2017-20 and other key indicators.

Author of Report: Chief Superintendent Campbell Thomson,
Divisional Commander
North East Division
Police Scotland

Background Papers:

- Police Performance Report (April 2017- March 2018)



Police and Fire and Rescue Services Committee

**North East Division
Moray**

April 2017 - March 2018



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Introduction

I present the Police and Fire and Rescue Services Committee report on behalf of Police Scotland, North East Division. This report provides a detailed account of Police Performance in Moray in support of agreed priorities, both local and national, for the twelve month period, 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018.

I am pleased to report that as in previous years there has been a further overall reduction in crime and an increase in detection rates which will be discussed more thoroughly within this document. It is particularly pleasing to note that there is a decrease in overall Violence, Acquisitive Crime and Vandalism and some of the highest detection rates recorded in the Moray area.

A great deal of this report will discuss the good work which has been produced through our collective partnership approach in dealing with local and indeed national issues and the excellent support we receive from the communities within Moray.

As we move forward into the new fiscal year there is no room whatsoever for complacency and we must continue to work together to address the many challenges we all face as we strive to keep Moray safe.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Chief Inspector Miller, her team, our partners and the communities for their ongoing commitment to making Moray a safe place to work, live and visit.

Regards

Campbell Thomson
Chief Superintendent
North East Division
Police Scotland



Staffing

	Authorised Establishment	March 2018	Difference
Police Officers ¹	1,115.0 FTE	1,104.77 FTE	-10.23 FTE
	March 2017	March 2018	Difference
Police Staff ¹	118.15 FTE	123.72 FTE	+5.57 FTE

¹North East Division (Moray, Aberdeenshire, and Aberdeen City) Full Time Equivalent (FTE)

The North East has seen a fluctuation in the Authorised Officer establishment over the year with a series of recruitment events addressing previous shortfalls and the ongoing impact of those leaving the organisation through retirement or transfer as is normal.

The Police Scotland recruitment model is now operating quarterly recruitment processes which will remedy any shortfall.

We currently have **29** Probationary Constables within Moray, with **16** having joined us in the last year. These are in the main coming from our local communities and as a result have a personal interest in the Moray area.

One of our Probationary Constables was awarded the Baton of Honour at the Scottish Police College. This award is given to the most outstanding Probationer Student on the course.



Complaints About The Police

Indicator	5 Year Average	Apr 2017 - Mar 2018	Apr 2016 - Mar 2017	Difference	% Change 2018 v 2017
Overall Satisfaction of How Police Dealt With Your incident ²	N/A	82.4%	85.2%		-2.8%
Complaints Received About The Police	N/A	73	76	-3.0	-3.9%
Number of Complaints Per 10,000 Police Incidents	N/A	33.5	35.4	-1.9	-5.4%
On Duty Allegations Raised	N/A	101	100	+1.0	+0.1%
Off Duty Allegations Raised	N/A	0	1	0.0	-100%
Quality of Service Allegations	N/A	18	22	-4.0	-18.2%
Total Allegations	N/A	119	123	-4.0	-3.3%

² North East Division (Moray, Aberdeenshire and Aberdeen City)

We continue to seek feedback from members of the public in relation to their overall satisfaction with the way their incident was resolved. This allows us to gauge public opinion on our interaction to help shape our service delivery and also captures learning and identifies areas for improvement to better our performance.

The number of complaints made against the Police has **decreased** this year however this is an area we continue to review to ensure any are issues identified. Given the volume of incidents to which we attend and our overall interaction with the public, these figures for Complaints About the Police are relatively low.

There have been **no instances** of off duty allegations made.



Antisocial Behaviour, Violence and Disorder

Indicator	5 Year Average	Apr 2017 - Mar 2018	Apr 2016 - Mar 2017	Difference	% Change 2018 v 5 Year Av
Serious Assault - Recorded ³		54	45		
Serious Assault - Detection Rate		101.9%	91.1%		
Common Assault - Recorded	1009.6	916	1079	-93.6	-9.3%
Common Assault - Detection Rate	71.9%	75.7%	71.8%		+3.8%
Robbery - Recorded	10.0	11	9	+1.0	+10.0%
Robbery - Detection Rate	80.0%	100.0%	88.9%		+20.0%
Group 1 Crimes - Recorded ⁴		90	83		
Group 1 Crimes - Detection Rate		97.8	85.5		
Vandalism - Recorded	694.6	501	612	-193.6	-27.9%
Vandalism - Detection Rate	29.1%	30.7%	33.8%		+1.6%
Public Reports of Street Drinking	14.0	0	5	0.0	-100.0%
Licensed Premises Visits	2,174.4	3,594	2,864	+1,419.6	+65.2%
Indicator	5 Year Average	Apr 2017 - Mar 2018	Apr 2016 - Mar 2017	Difference	% Change 2018 v 2017
Number of Complaints of Disorder ⁵	N/A	2,785	2,784	+1.0	0.0%

³ April 2016 - implementation of broader definition of what constitutes a Serious Assault.

⁴ Group 1 Crimes of Violence include Murder, Attempted Murder, Culpable Homicide, Cruelty, Neglect and Un-natural Treatment of Children and Adults, Abduction, Robbery, Assault with intent to Rob, Serious Assault, and Threats and extortion.

⁵ Disorder includes Public Nuisance, Disturbance, Noise, Neighbour Dispute and Nuisance Phone Call incidents.

Overall Violent Crime is down almost **15%** which is almost **170** less victims of crime and the detection rate has risen to over **77%**.

Although we have experienced a slight increase in the number of Robberies and Serious Assaults which have been reported, the detection rate in relation to this crime type is **100%**.

Fortunately, random acts of serious violence are rare events. When they do occur, they tend to be associated with the overconsumption of alcohol. Therefore, Officers are deployed in accordance with our "Weekend Policing Plan" and "Safer Streets" initiatives to specific locations at weekends, in particular, to monitor levels of drunkenness and the likelihood of violence and to take preventative action to reduce the risk of acts of violence occurring.



We have seen an **increase** in licensed premises visits with **3,594** being carried out which is far higher than the 5 Year Average.

There has been a **significant decrease** in Vandalism which is well below the 5 Year Average and a further reduction on last year with **111 less** instances. There is little doubt of the impact which Vandalism and Antisocial Behaviour have in our communities. Our Community Policing Teams continue to be pro-active in their response to these issues with high visible patrols being carried out in known problem areas.

On November 2017, a disturbance took place within a licensed premises on High Street Elgin. Following enquiries, two males, both aged 29, from the Liverpool area were arrested and charged regarding six counts of Assault with one male subsequently imprisoned for a 12 month period.

During February 2018, Officers from the Divisional Alcohol Violence Reduction Unit launched the latest phase of Operation Pine, the Divisions initiative at tackling violence. Enforcement action took place across the Division, including Moray, resulting in the apprehension of 144 offenders and recovery of £14,174 in outstanding fines.

During March/April 2018, an increase in Antisocial Behaviour occurred in Keith. The Local Policing Team supported by the Divisional Alcohol Violence Reduction Unit, carried out enforcement action resulting in the apprehension of eight local males, charged with various crimes including Assault and Possession of Offensive Weapons and later appeared in Court.



Acquisitive Crime

Indicator	5 Year Average	Apr 2017 - Mar 2018	Apr 2016 - Mar 2017	Difference	% Change 2018 v 5 Year Av
Crimes of Dishonesty - Recorded	1,270.4	848	956	-422.4	-33.2%
Crimes of Dishonesty - Detection Rate	36.0%	44.5%	47.6%		+8.5%
Housebreakings - Recorded	209.6	105	139	-104.6	-49.9%
Housebreakings - Detection Rate	26.0%	39.0%	28.8%		+13.0%
Motor Vehicle Crime - Recorded ⁶	165.8	112	124	-53.8	-32.4%
Motor Vehicle Crime - Detection Rate	25.6%	37.5%	40.3%		+11.9
Theft of Motor Vehicle - Recorded	45.6	37	40	-8.6	-18.9%
Common Theft - Recorded	435.6	292	301	-143.6	-33.0%
Common Theft - Detection Rate	24.1%	26.7%	35.5%		+2.6%

⁶ Theft from secure motor vehicle; Theft from insecure motor vehicle; Theft of a motor vehicle; Attempted Theft of a Motor Vehicle.

Acquisitive Crime encompasses all crimes where property is stolen. Overall there has been a **decrease** in all recorded Crimes of Dishonesty from 956 reported crimes in 2016/17 to 848, **108 less** instances than last year. Detection rates remain strong. It should be noted these are some of the lowest crime figures recorded for Dishonesties.

During the reporting period there has been a **further reduction** in the number of Housebreakings which have been committed and an increase of over **10%** in the **detection** rate which is now **13% above** the 5 Year Average.

In relation to Motor Vehicle Crime there have been **12 crimes less** this year, which is a **32.4%** reduction over the 5 Year Average. Again detection rates remain positive.

In partnership with "Elgin Bid" we have continued our dedicated street patrols of the Elgin Town Centre targeting shoplifting.

Although these results are pleasing we are fully aware of the impact which Acquisitive Crime has on our communities and we will not become complacent in tackling such crime.

Through Operation Magpie, which is the Divisional response to Acquisitive Crime, we have set clear objectives in order to tackle Acquisitive Crime within our communities. We will continue to reassure our communities that we are committed to identifying areas of concern and thereafter take action to firstly prevent crimes from occurring and then to tackle recidivist offenders. In addition, we will look to strengthen and continue



our work with our partners in identifying those who are most vulnerable to this form of crime and provide them with crime prevention advice and support.

In January 2018, a licensed premises in the Buckie area was entered and a three figure sum of cash stolen from within. Enquiries led to the execution of a search warrant at a local address and the subsequent arrest of a 20 year old male who subsequently appeared in Court charged with two counts of theft by opening lock fast place.

During February 2018, a series of thefts took place at garage premises and industrial estates in the Elgin and Buckie areas. In response to this, on 6 March 2018, Officers executed search warrants at addresses in Elgin resulting in the recovery of a significant quantity of stolen property. A vehicle was also seized. As a result, two males aged 32 and 29 were arrested and charged with 16 crimes and later appeared in Court.



Road Safety and Road Crime

Indicator	5 Year Average	Apr 2017 - Mar 2018	Apr 2016 - Mar 2017	Difference	% Change 2018 v 2017
People Killed/Seriously Injured	N/A	35	46	-11.0	-23.9%
Children Killed/Seriously Injured	N/A	2	7	-5.0	-71.4%
People Killed	N/A	6	4	+2.0	+50.0%
Children Killed ⁷	N/A	1	1	0.0	0.0%
Advice/Education Given to Motorists ⁸	N/A	20,483	24,509	-4,026.0	-16.4%
Indicator	5 Year Average	Apr 2017 - Mar 2018	Apr 2016 - Mar 2017	Difference	% Change 2018 v 5 Year Av
Mobile Phone Offences	228.4	130	138	-98.4	-43.1%
Speeding Offences	1,193.0	758	985	-435.0	-36.5%
Drink/ Drug Driving Offences	113.8	125	107	+11.2	+9.8%
Dangerous Driving	41.0	41	47	0.0	0.0%
Disqualified Driving	12.4	17	10	+4.6	+37.1%
Detected Offences Related to Motor Vehicles	3,259.8	2,749	2,877	-510.8	-15.7%
Parking Fixed Penalties Issued ⁹	2,362.8	1,250	832	-1,112.8	-47.1%

⁷ Child is under 16 years of age.

⁸ North East Division (figures area for Moray, Aberdeenshire and Aberdeen City) figures by Road Policing Officers.

⁹ North East Division (figures area for Moray, Aberdeenshire and Aberdeen City).

Each and every death on our roads is a tragedy and deeply impacts our communities. Along with partners, we examine each death seeking to determine the causes of the collision and along with our partners, identify any learning which could be used to reduce further fatalities.

Road Safety and Road Crime remains an absolute priority for both Police Scotland and North East Division. It must also be noted that many of our partners and communities also consider the Road Safety around Moray to be a priority.

While all Police Officers can engage with and provide advice, guidance and verbal warnings to drivers, Road Policing Officers record this engagement as part of their daily duties, invariably where discretion offers such a disposal for minor offences. These are recorded within a North East wide figure which indicates in 2016/17 **24,509** motorists were given advice and guidance by Road Policing Officers, a figure which in 2017/18 dropped to **20,483**, a reduction of **16.4%**.



The Divisional Road Policing Unit covering A Division continue to perform at a high level and in 2018/19 to date, they have recovered the previous reduction seen over the 2017/18 year, with the number of vehicles stopped and motorists engaged increasing by **17%** (from **6334** to **7401**). Additionally the number of warnings for Vehicle Related Offences has increased by **41%** (from **806** to **1138**).

Antisocial Driving Behaviour is an issue which is commonly raised by our communities. We have taken steps to address this issue with Operations routinely conducted by our Community Policing Teams. One of the issues raised by this Committee is speeding and indeed illegally parking in and around our schools these areas are targeted with the intention of educating motorists in the first instance but where necessary taking enforcement action.

The input that we receive from our communities in identifying local issues has greatly assisted both ourselves and our partners in deploying our resources to target problem areas and delivering educational advice to change current and future motorist's behaviour. We continue to target those who offend on our roads and there has been an increase in detecting Drink/Drug drivers and Disqualified drivers.

Through Operation CEDAR we will continue to ensure that there is a highly visible presence on our roads, targeting areas of concern. Based on the results of analytical work, our Community Policing Teams, assisted by Divisional Roads Policing Officers, carry out monthly operations targeting problem areas.

During this fiscal year, Operation CEDAR enforcement days were held across the Fochabers and Lossiemouth beat areas which resulted in 26 fixed penalties being issued for a variety of Road Traffic Offences, in addition to 59 persons being reported to the Procurator Fiscal for Road Traffic matters including speeding, mobile phones, drink driving and no insurance.

Similar Operations were held across the Buckie and Keith section which resulted in 50 persons being reported.

We have also responded to the complaints about parking at various locations across Moray, particularly in Forres, Keith and Elgin.



Protecting People at Risk of Harm

Indicator	5 Year Average	Apr 2017 - Mar 2018	Apr 2016 - Mar 2017	Difference	% Change 2017 v 5 Year Av
Group 2 Crimes - Recorded ¹⁰	177.8	221	220	+43.2	+24.3%
Group 2 Crimes - Detection Rate	70.6%	54.3%	57.7%		-16.3%
Rape - Recorded	28.4	34	29	+5.6	+19.7%
Rape - Detection Rate	75.4%	64.7%	65.5%		-10.7%
Indicator	5 Year Average	Apr 2017 - Mar 2018	Apr 2016 - Mar 2017	Difference	% Change 2018 v 2017
Domestic Abuse Incidents Reported	N/A	710	747	-37	-5.0%
Domestic Abuse Incidents Detection Rate	N/A	73.6%	71.4%		-2.2%
Hate Crime - Recorded	N/A	50	37	+13.0	+35.1%
Hate Crime - Detection Rate	N/A	70.0%	81.1%		-11.1%

¹⁰ Group 2 Crimes of Indecency include Rape, Assault with intent to Rape, Indecent Assault, Sexual Assault, Prostitution related crime and others with an indecent element.

While the level of recorded Group 2 Crimes remains relatively static, there was a slight decrease in the detection rate albeit this can fluctuate particularly in relation to non - recent investigations (the current detection rate for Group 2 Crime is 60%).

Police Scotland continues to work with partners to encourage and support victims of Sexual Crime to come forward and report any such criminality. This work has provided reassurance to the public, increasing their confidence in the service provided by specially trained staff which has in turn led to an increase in the reporting of non - recent offending.

With the ever increasing use of online technology there has been a rise in the reporting of online sexual offences. Through education, provided by ourselves and our partners, we endeavour to educate the public, in particular young persons, on how to best keep themselves safe online.

The Public Protection Units have been raising awareness of online child sexual abuse. In partnership with the "Stop it now" charity, an advertising campaign to raise awareness was undertaken and posters were put on display in public areas around Moray. These posters encourage potential offenders to contact the charity for help.



This campaign aligns directly with our priority of Protecting People at Risk of Harm aligned to the work of the Child Protection Partnerships in Moray.

Domestic Abuse remains a priority for all of our staff. Work has been ongoing aligned to that of Sexual Crime to provide the public with the confidence to report any incidents to the Police. With the assistance of our partners, we continue to provide a referral process which support victims. In an effort to prevent reoffending, we are committed to a multi-agency approach, whereby if any substance misuse or mental illness is identified as a factor in the offending we will ensure that the offender is signposted accordingly. In the last reporting period there was a reduction on the incidents reported and an increase in detection rates in regard to Domestic Abuse.

A Violence Against Women Partnership (VAW) has been developed with partners in Moray, led by Chief Inspector Maggie Miller. Support has been given to the group by the National Co-ordinator for VAW networks. An ambitious work plan has been developed to support victims of Domestic Abuse in Moray.

Following on from the Thematic Report on Human Trafficking, presented to the Moray Scrutiny Committee, work has progressed by members of the Child Protection Co-ordinating Group, in relation to ensuring that the partnership in Moray is responding appropriately to Scottish Government strategy on Human Trafficking. A report outlining responsibilities of the partnership and the ongoing efforts in relation to training, awareness raising and support for recovered victims, has been prepared and will be tabled at the next respective meeting of the Co-ordinating Group, Child Protection Committee and Adult Protection Committee.

Our response in Moray to Human Trafficking concerns will continue in line with reports and intelligence received. Both Divisional Officers and the Public Protection Unit will continue to work with partners to identify perpetrators involved in this type of criminality and to provide support to victims.

Over the year there has been an increase of **13** Hate Crimes in Moray. It is acknowledged that historically Hate Crime has been under reported and work continues with partners to build public confidence in reporting such matters. All of these crimes are isolated incidents and are not borne out of longstanding underlying issues. Each crime is scrutinised and dealt with as a priority, often these enquiries can be protracted and lead to detections outwith the reporting period.



Serious Organised Crime

Indicator	5 Year Average	Apr 2017 - Mar 2018	Apr 2016 - Mar 2017	Difference	% Change 2018 v 5 Year Av
Proceeds of Crime Act Seizures ¹¹	£146,782.24	£398,245.03	£291,365.84	+£251,462.79	+171.32%
Drug Possession Offences	248.2	356	317	+107.8	+43.4%
Drug Supply Offences	37.2	45	44	+7.8	+21.0%
Indicator	5 Year Average	Apr 2017 - Mar 2018	Apr 2016 - Mar 2017	Difference	% Change 2018 v 2017
Drug Deaths	N/A	11	8	+3.0	+37.5%

¹¹ A Division (Moray, Aberdeenshire and Aberdeen City) reported seizures only.

We are absolutely committed to proactively target Serious Organised Crime groups who operate within the North East of Scotland and in particular Moray. Although, these groups impact on the local communities in a multitude of different ways one of the main threats they pose to the public in Moray is through the supply of controlled drugs.

There have been **45** Drug Supply offences reported during this period, which is an increase of one from the same period last year. The number of drug possession offences has **increased** to **356** which is **above** the 5 Year Average. We can also report that **£394,243.03** has been seized under the Proceeds of Crime Act which demonstrates our ongoing commitment to tackling the supply of controlled drugs in the area. It should be noted that this figure is **more than double** that of the 5 Year Average.

In order to successfully target the Organised Crime Groups we rely heavily on our communities to furnish us with relevant and current information. As a result of the information and intelligence that we have received we have executed a large number of drug search warrants in the Moray area.

With the intention of disrupting the supply of controlled drugs within the Buckie and Keith area including their licensed premises an operation involving the Community Policing Teams and Criminal Investigation Department was instigated. As a result of the operation 14 drug search warrants were executed, 22 positive stop searches were carried out with a variety of Class A, B and C controlled drugs recovered.

In the Forres area, following information received from the public, a male was located in possession of over 600 ecstasy tablets. He was reported for being concerned in the supply of drugs.



There has been an increase in the number of drug related deaths in the last year, up 3. Many of these individuals were known as drug users who have been abusing controlled substances for a lengthy period.

One of the aims of Moray Alcohol and Drugs Partnership is to reduce the number of people accessing hospital with an alcohol or drug related diagnosis, and the number of those who suffer an alcohol or drug related death. Work is ongoing in relation to this and there has been an increased focus on promoting early engagement and trying to reduce alcohol and drug related harms. Drug deaths in Moray reflect the national data sets. There are no patterns at this stage, albeit they appear lifestyle related with many of the deaths relating to individuals who have been abusing Controlled Drugs for a number of years. Mixed-drug intoxication is the predominant cause of death.

A number of support measures are also in place across Moray for those affected by drug misuse. There is a strong partnership approach to this through the Moray Alcohol and Drug Partnership. For example, Quarriers, the Third Sector provider have continued to develop a Recovery focus, expanding opportunities for those in services, improving links with the wider network of agencies; e.g. employment support, housing, mental health. Arrows (the Alcohol and Drug Service within Quarriers) have developed peer led groups and these continue to be developed across Moray. They also provide a Direct Access Service for MIDAS (Moray Integrated Drug and Alcohol Service).



Counter Terrorism and Domestic Extremism

In the last reporting period there have been significant terrorist attacks in mainland Europe and the United Kingdom. As a direct result of these attacks, the overall threat assessment to United Kingdom citizens rose from Severe (An attack is likely) to Critical (An attack is expected imminently) for a total period of eight days. Following this period, the threat level has remained at Severe.

Although throughout this period, there were no direct threats to the North East of Scotland we have remained vigilant and would urge our partners and communities to do likewise and report any concerns immediately.

National Security is a priority and is taken into consideration when conducting our day to day business. With key strategic locations situated in Moray we ensure that we provide reassurance to both of these installations and their communities. We work closely with our military colleagues and regularly carry out joint reassurance patrols and provide support during military events.

Likewise, Moray has developed into a diverse area and we ensure that we provide preventative messaging, reassurance patrols and educational inputs to the communities. In order to achieve this, Moray has Local Contest Liaison Officers (LCLO) who regularly deliver PREVENT and CONTEST inputs throughout the local communities. Our Officers have engaged with the local mosques strengthening our relationship and providing security and safety briefings. The role of the LCLO also focuses on the numerous small ports situated along our coastline. With the support of Border Policing Command and Counter Terrorism Security Advisors the LCLO have established excellent links within the communities and with our partners.

In addition, we have seen Moray based School Liaison Officers scheduled to deliver the "Act Now" input to school children throughout the Moray area.

Moray is an active partner within the North East Division Pan-Grampian Multi-Agency CONTEST Group, which benefits from the partnership links with all three Local Authority Areas (Aberdeen City, Aberdeenshire and Moray). This group drives the local CONTEST Action Plans which are supported by the existing Pan-Grampian partnership structures including Education, Emergency Services, Resilience and Third Sector Partners.

In October 2017, Operation Reiver, which tested the Police response to a Counter Terrorist Incident, took place. This was a challenging three day event which focused on a complex scenario and confirmed our ability to deal with such an incident.



Miscellaneous

Stop and Search

Indicator	Apr 2017 - Mar 2018	Apr 2017 - Mar 2018 (positive)
Consensual	0	0
Legislative	432	127
Number of Consensual Stop and Searches Refused	0	N/A

It is crucial that all officers adhere to Police Scotland's code of Ethics and Values when considering and conducting stop and searches or seizures. Each of their actions must be balanced with public safety and persons rights.

As can be seen above there have been **432** stop searches carried out, **127** were positive, nearly **30%** of the searches.



Response Times

A Division Comparison - Response Times

Note 1 - Data extracted and provided by APU from STORM Unity on for A Division showing data from 00:00:00 on the first of each month until 23:59:59 on the last day of each month. Figures include all resourced incidents (except diary calls) including those which have been generated by police, e.g. pre-planned events such as firearms operations or spontaneous deployment to deal with ongoing crime.

Note 2 - Data extracted and provided by APU from STORM Unity on for A Division showing data from 00:00:00 on the first of each month until 23:59:59 on the last day of each month. Figures are based on resourced incidents where a call is received from the Public, incident raised and transferred to ACR, then a resource dispatched which subsequently arrives at scene. Linked incidents and diary calls are excluded. Any incidents not dispatched within the grade of service timescales that are left open/scheduled for a future date will be included in the average calculation.

Protect communities by monitoring the average length of time taken to attend at the scene of Emergency (Grade 1) classified incidents

Grade 1 Incidents	A Division												
	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	Oct-17	Nov-17	Dec-17	Jan-18	Feb-18	Mar-18	Apr-18
Numbers based on all resourced incidents ¹ :													
Monthly Number of Grade 1 Incidents	388	406	359	464	421	369	369	324	369	280	295	301	314
Monthly number of Calls achieving Grade of Service	339	363	324	426	389	352	348	302	351	260	278	284	292
% of Calls achieving Grade of Service	87.4%	89.4%	90.3%	91.8%	94.2%	95.4%	94.3%	93.2%	95.1%	92.9%	94.2%	94.4%	93.0%



Grade 1 Incidents	A Division												
	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	Oct-17	Nov-17	Dec-17	Jan-18	Feb-18	Mar-18	Apr-18
Numbers based on responding to public ² :													
Monthly Number of Grade 1 Incidents	382	399	344	455	410	355	355	317	366	272	288	295	309
Monthly Number of Calls achieving Grade of Service	336	356	309	417	379	340	336	295	349	253	271	279	287
% of Calls achieving Grade of Service	88.0%	89.2%	89.8%	91.6%	92.4%	95.8%	94.6%	93.1%	95.4%	93.0%	94.1%	94.6%	92.9%
Public response stage breakdown ² :													
Incident Handling - Service Centre (monthly avg. time)	00:03:18	00:00:32	00:00:40	00:00:28	00:00:30	00:00:30	00:00:30	0:00:30	0:00:29	0:00:31	0:00:30	0:00:27	0:00:30
Incident Dispatch - Area Control Room (monthly avg. time)		00:02:28	00:02:00	00:02:03	00:01:48	00:02:06	00:02:42	0:01:53	0:01:46	0:02:19	0:01:54	0:01:56	0:01:58
Resource Deployment - Local Division (monthly avg. time)	00:13:48	00:13:48	00:13:52	00:12:44	00:12:24	00:16:38	00:13:14	0:12:33	0:13:04	0:12:36	0:12:55	0:11:40	0:12:10
Overall Response Time (monthly avg. time)	00:17:07	00:17:13	00:17:02	00:15:43	00:15:11	00:19:34	00:16:41	0:15:18	0:15:37	0:15:43	0:15:41	0:14:21	0:14:59



Incident handling and incident dispatch times must be below 5 minutes to achieve Grade of Service for Grade 1 incidents. Table shows the percentage of calls which achieve this grade of service.

Please note for North Divisions the incident handling and dispatch times are combined due to system limitations.

Protect communities by monitoring the average length of time taken to attend at the scene of Grade 2 classified incidents													
Grade 2 Incidents	A Division												
	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	Oct-17	Nov-17	Dec-17	Jan-18	Feb-18	Mar-18	Apr-18
Numbers based on all resourced incidents ¹ :													
Monthly Number of Grade 2 Incidents	3,660	3,623	3,378	3,680	3,615	3,279	3,346	3,072	3,488	3,070	2,884	3,045	3,143
Monthly number of Calls achieving Grade of Service	2,901	3,178	2,925	3,214	3,211	2,926	2,979	2,726	3,109	2,765	2,604	2,744	2,818
% of Calls achieving Grade of Service	79.3%	87.7%	86.6%	87.3%	88.8%	89.2%	89.0%	88.7%	89.1%	90.1%	90.3%	90.1%	89.7%
Numbers based on responding to public ² :													
Monthly Number of Grade 2 Incidents	3,360	3,471	3,225	3,536	3,502	3,141	3,227	2,963	3,328	2,974	2,785	2,942	3,052
Monthly Number of Calls achieving Grade of Service	2,882	3,045	3,797	3,095	3,114	2,809	2,870	2,634	2,971	2,677	2,523	2,658	2,938
% of Calls achieving Grade of Service	85.8%	87.7%	86.7%	87.5%	88.9%	89.4%	88.9%	88.9%	89.3%	90.0%	90.6%	90.3%	89.7%



Grade 2 Incidents	A Division												
	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	Oct-17	Nov-17	Dec-17	Jan-18	Feb-18	Mar-18	Apr-18
Public response stage breakdown ² :													
Incident Handling - Service Centre (monthly avg. time)	00:12:43	00:00:49	00:00:50	00:00:44	00:00:46	00:00:44	00:00:46	0:00:45	0:00:43	0:00:44	0:00:42	0:00:44	0:00:41
Incident Dispatch - Area Control Room (monthly avg. time)		00:09:22	00:11:00	00:11:03	00:09:47	00:10:00	00:09:27	0:10:45	0:07:57	0:09:46	0:07:25	0:09:23	0:08:59
Resource Deployment - Local Division (monthly avg. time)	00:25:55	00:25:47	00:26:03	00:23:39	00:23:26	00:22:49	00:22:53	0:23:11	0:25:15	0:21:47	0:22:39	0:22:35	0:23:57
Overall Response Time (monthly avg. time)	00:38:39	00:36:58	00:38:20	00:35:52	00:34:40	00:34:00	00:33:33	0:35:25	0:34:29	0:32:51	0:31:26	0:33:04	0:34:22

Incident handling and incident dispatch times must be below 15 minutes to achieve Grade of Service for Grade 2 incidents. Table shows the percentage of calls which achieve this grade of service.

Please note for North Divisions the incident handling and dispatch times are combined due to system limitations.



Protect communities by monitoring the average length of time taken to attend at the scene of Grade 3 classified incidents													
Grade 3 Incidents	A Division												
	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	Oct-17	Nov-17	Dec-17	Jan-18	Feb-18	Mar-18	Apr-18
Numbers based on all resourced incidents ¹ :													
Monthly Number of Grade 3 Incidents	5,199	4,063	3,702	3,869	3,963	3,829	3,850	3,334	3,480	3,204	3,116	3,366	3,713
Monthly number of Calls achieving Grade of Service	2,479	2,762	2,416	2,577	2,677	2,569	2,657	2,337	2,476	2,284	2,187	2,352	2,572
% of Calls achieving Grade of Service	47.7%	68.0%	65.3%	66.6%	67.5%	67.1%	69.0%	70.1%	71.1%	71.3%	70.2%	69.9%	69.3%
Numbers based on responding to public ² :													
Monthly Number of Grade 3 Incidents	3,783	3,547	3,227	3,365	3,466	3,344	3,387	2,889	2,975	2,786	2,694	2,925	3,217
Monthly Number of Calls achieving Grade of Service	2,453	2,368	2,038	2,192	2,291	2,188	2,282	1,964	2,036	1,916	1,841	1,983	2,149
% of Calls achieving Grade of Service	64.8%	66.8%	63.2%	65.1%	66.1%	65.4%	67.4%	68.0%	68.4%	68.8%	68.3%	67.8%	66.8%



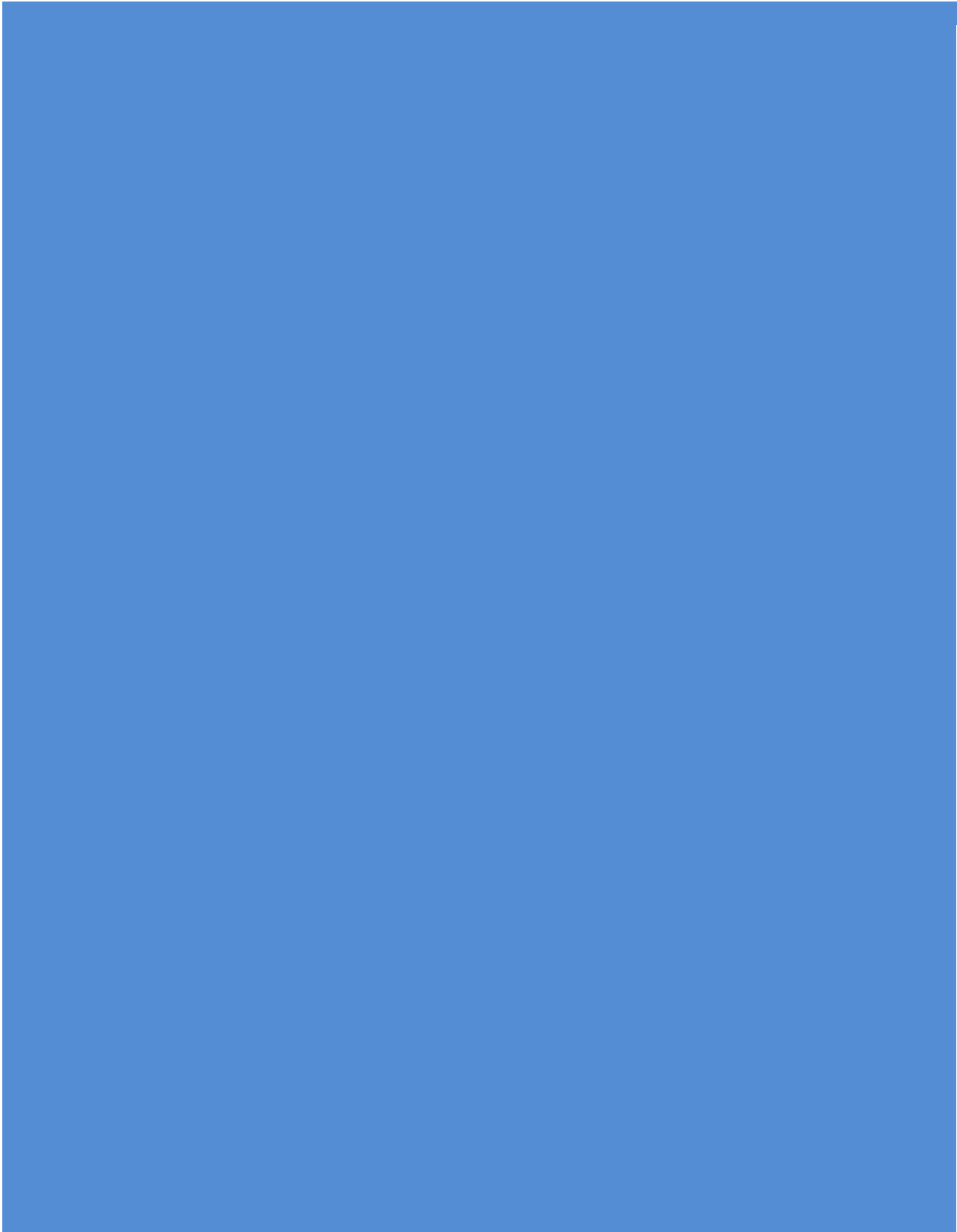
Grade 3 Incidents	A Division												
	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	Oct-17	Nov-17	Dec-17	Jan-18	Feb-18	Mar-18	Apr-18
Public response stage breakdown ² :													
Incident Handling - Service Centre (monthly avg. time)	03:06:26	00:01:28	00:02:41	00:00:59	00:00:57	00:00:59	00:00:59	0:01:13	0:00:57	0:02:31	0:00:55	0:00:55	0:01:29
Incident Dispatch - Area Control Room (monthly avg. time)		02:23:36	02:41:33	02:26:35	02:29:42	02:35:10	02:27:56	2:27:36	2:27:32	2:11:20	2:20:48	2:46:21	2:07:59
Resource Deployment - Local Division (monthly avg. time)	01:05:56	00:57:54	00:54:16	00:47:52	00:59:52	01:00:56	00:57:52	0:52:21	0:57:20	0:45:46	1:00:04	0:55:08	0:54:08
Overall Response Time (monthly avg. time)	04:12:22	03:14:58	03:30:41	03:05:58	03:23:37	03:29:25	03:21:46	3:16:02	3:17:57	2:54:28	3:19:49	3:32:17	3:01:14

Incident handling and incident dispatch times must be below 40 minutes to achieve Grade of Service for Grade 3 incidents. Table shows the percentage of calls which achieve this grade of service.

Please note for North Divisions the incident handling and dispatch times are combined due to system limitations.



Breakdown of Grades 4-5													
Grade 4-5 Incidents	A Division												
	Apr-17	May-17	Jun-17	Jul-17	Aug-17	Sep-17	Oct-17	Nov-17	Dec-17	Jan-18	Feb-18	Mar-18	Apr-18
Numbers based on all resourced incidents ¹ :													
Monthly Number of Grade 4 Calls	353	302	290	264	311	296	331	223	284	242	257	264	328
Monthly Number of Grade 5 Calls	247	241	218	251	208	210	172	160	175	144	123	188	175
Total Number of Calls Overall	9,847	8,635	7,947	8,528	8,518	7,983	8,068	7,113	7,796	6,940	6,675	7,164	7,673





**REPORT TO: POLICE AND FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES COMMITTEE ON
23 AUGUST 2018**

**SUBJECT: THEMATIC REPORT – MORAY POLICE SERVICE YOUTH
VOLUNTEERS**

**BY: CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT CAMPBELL THOMSON, DIVISIONAL
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SCOTLAND**

1. REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 To inform the Committee of Police Scotland Youth Volunteers within Moray.
- 1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of Section III (J) (4) of the Council's Scheme of Administration relating to the monitoring of delivery of the Police and Fire and Rescue Services in Moray.

2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 **It is recommended that the Police and Fire & Rescue Services Committee scrutinise and note the information provided in this report in relation to Police Scotland Youth Volunteers (PSYV) particularly within Moray.**

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 PSYV is Scotland's newest uniformed youth organisation. They are groups of up to 24 young people, aged between 13 and 18 years, who are based in each Council area across Scotland.
- 3.2 Supported by Adult Volunteers, who must be aged 18 years or over, and led by a serving Police Constable, PSYV volunteer by performing stewarding-type duties at community and national events and assist local policing priorities through participation in leaflet drops and community safety events. To date the national events have included the Commonwealth Games, T in the Park, the Open Golf Championship, the Wickerman Festival and the Edinburgh Military Tattoo.

- 3.3 The purpose of PSYV is to:
- Promote a practical understanding of policing amongst young people.
 - Encourage a spirit of adventure and good citizenship.
 - Support local policing priorities through volunteering.
 - Give young people a chance to be heard.
 - Inspire young people to participate positively in their communities.
- 3.4 PSYV will provide an insight into policing, however there are no guarantees that this will lead to either paid or voluntary work within the wider Police family and PSYV is not recruitment focused.
- 3.5 The principles of PSYV are that each group should:
- Have 25% of their membership from a 'vulnerable' background.
 - Have a body of youth volunteers that represents the diversity of the area.
- 3.6 Youth Volunteers must sign up to:
- Attend weekly group meetings.
 - A minimum of 3 hours per month volunteering at community events or initiatives once their Initial Training Programme is complete.
- 3.7 Youth Volunteers follow a bespoke PSYV Award programme which is SQA accredited and their volunteering is recognised through the use of Saltire Awards.
- 3.8 Structurally PSYV nationally is split into three areas of North, East and West. Each area has a Sergeant Regional Coordinator whose role is to support the Group Coordinators in their area and link directly with the National Programme Manager at the Police Scotland College. The Group Coordinators have formal line management within their own Police Division.
- 3.9 PSYV is supported in all aspects of its programme delivery by YoungScot and YouthLink (Scotland).
- 3.10 The set up costs of groups are met from the national budget which draws funding from several sources. There is no direct funding of PSYV from Police Scotland budgets. The ultimate aim is for groups to become self-supporting through fundraising and by application to available funding streams.
- 3.11 Within North East Division we have well established PSYV groups operating in Aberdeen and Fraserburgh, and on Tuesday 6 March 2018 these were complemented with the addition of the Moray group who met for the first time at their base at New Elgin Primary School.
- 3.12 This inaugural meeting followed a recruitment process for Youth Volunteers that drew on support from the Moray Community Planning Partnership, the Buckie and Keith Locality Management Groups and the Buckie and Keith Locality Wellbeing Officer, and saw:
- Direct inputs to relevant years of academy age pupils.
 - A series of public 'drop in' events to allow interested young people to find out more.
 - Partners identifying suitable groups of young people to apply.

Use of social media platforms to publicise benefits of PSYV membership.

- Direct referrals from the Police and other partner agencies.

- 3.13 Each young person who wished to apply to join PSYV was asked to complete an application form which had to be endorsed by a parent/guardian. There was then a paper sifting process to identify a manageable number of applicants who were invited for interview. Successful interviewees were then offered a place with PSYV.
- 3.14 A similar process was undertaken for the recruitment of Adult Volunteers, which secured applicants from a variety of backgrounds and brought a vital mix of skills and experiences to the group. The Adult Volunteers are subject to the Protecting Vulnerable Group process for working with young people and attend a mandatory one day course on working with young people delivered by YouthLink (Scotland).
- 3.15 The Moray group's Initial Training Programme comprised sessions on subjects such as Police rank structure, radio procedures, physical fitness, drill, missing persons, teambuilding, first aid and health & safety, and culminated with a Passing Out Parade on Wednesday 6 June 2018 at Elgin High School.
- 3.16 In anticipation of a successful training period, the Group Coordinator PC Yvonne Squair has already secured volunteering opportunities over the Summer at the Rrrallye Car Show and Family Fun Day at Keith, the European Pipe Band Championships at Forres, the Speyfest Celtic Festival of Music & Dance at Fochabers and a litter pick at Spey Bay.

4. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) Corporate Plan and 10 Year Plan (Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP))

The Moray Council's responsibilities with regards to the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 are directly relevant to Corporate Plan and 10 Year Plan.

(b) Policy and Legal

This report is presented to the Moray Police and Fire and Rescue Services Committee within its remit for local scrutiny of the Police.

(c) Financial Implications

There are no identified financial implications.

(d) Risk Implications

There are no identified staffing implications.

(e) Staffing Implications

There are no identified staffing implications.

(f) Property

Not applicable.

(g) Equalities/Socio Economic Impact

Not applicable.

(h) Consultations

The Local Police Plan, upon which the performance is reporting, was subject to consultation with elected representatives, and was heavily influenced by on-going feedback from local communities within the Moray Council area.

5. CONCLUSION

5.1 It is hoped that the PSYV in Moray continue to grow in numbers and continue to make a positive contribution to local communities in the local area.

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Background Papers: None
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SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE OPERATIONAL UPDATE



**REPORT TO: POLICE AND FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES COMMITTEE ON
23 AUGUST 2018**

**SUBJECT: SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE THEMATIC REPORT –
UNINTENTIONAL HARM AND HOME SAFETY**

**BY: AREA MANAGER FINDLAY, LOCAL SENIOR OFFICER,
SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE**

1. REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide the Committee with information on this priority both in relation to past performance and how it is intended to deliver against this priority in the future.
- 1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of Section III (J) (4) of the Council's Scheme of Administration relating to the monitoring of delivery of the Police and Fire and Rescue Services in Moray.

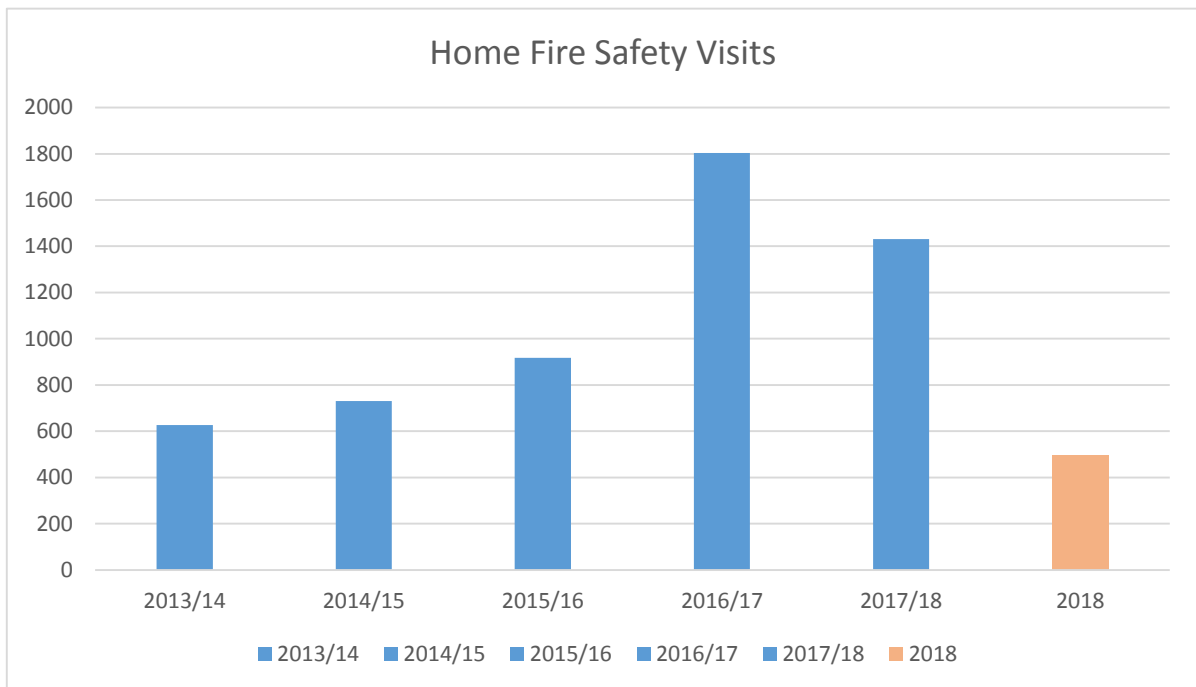
2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 **It is recommended that Committee consider and note the information provided in this report in relation to Unintentional Harm and Home Safety.**

3. INTRODUCTION

- 3.1 A key priority within the Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Moray is Reducing Unintentional Harm and Promoting Home Safety.
- 3.2 Unintentional harm in the home environment, and in particular, accidental fires, slips, trips, falls and burns/scalds to the very young and old, is now widely recognised as presenting significant issues to the health of the public, as well as the wider impact these injuries have on public services.
- 3.3 Working with partners in Moray and across Scotland, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) has a significant role to play in contributing towards identifying those persons most vulnerable and/or at risk, the risks they are exposed to, and reducing those risks, either directly through SFRS, or indirectly through partner intervention. The key aim is to improve safety, including fire safety and reducing injury and/or harm.

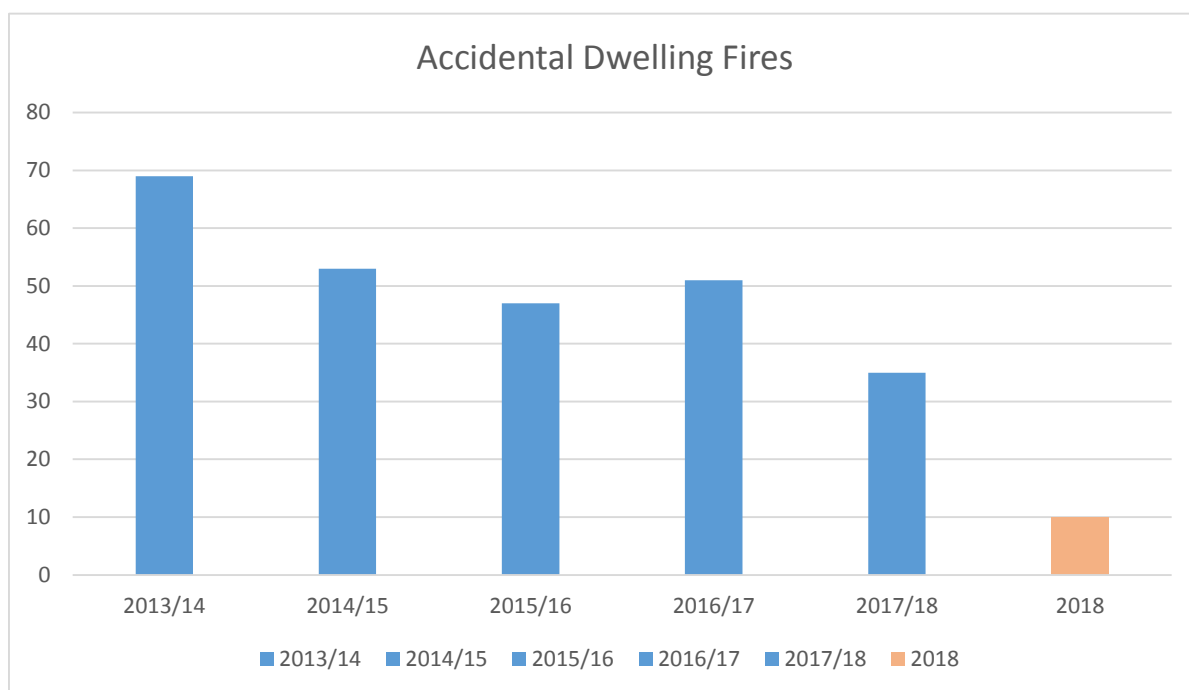
- 3.4 All staff within the area are committed to working in partnership to reduce unintentional harm within the home. To help deliver against this priority there is a dedicated Community Safety Action Team who work with partners and station based personnel to reduce the risk of unintentional harm within the home. The team support the 11 stations across the Moray area with the delivery of Home Fire Safety Visits.
- 3.5 The current structure of the Community Safety Action Team is:
- 1 x Group Manager (Shared role between Aberdeenshire, Moray and Highland Area)
 - 1 x Station Manager
 - 1 x Local Authority Liaison Officer
 - 1 x Assistant Local Authority Liaison Officer
 - 4 x Community Safety Advocates
- 3.6 In addition to a Community Safety Action Team work has been carried out with Moray Council and partners within the Moray area to develop the Community Safety Hub, The Hub helps to deliver against known priorities and identify those most vulnerable.
- 3.7 Partnership working is a key element of the Community Safety Hub and the Hub has also supported thematic areas of work including road safety, working with children and young people and engaging with older persons.
- 3.8 The promotion and delivery of free Home Fire Safety Visits remain a priority theme for the SFRS locally across Moray and in the future these visits will be expanded to include home safety and through a targeted approach delivered to those most vulnerable and at risk from fire and/or harm in the home.
- 3.9 The chart below shows the progress that has been made in Moray in the delivery of Home Fire Safety Visits since the beginning of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, the chart shows visits delivered between 1st April – 31st December for each respective year;



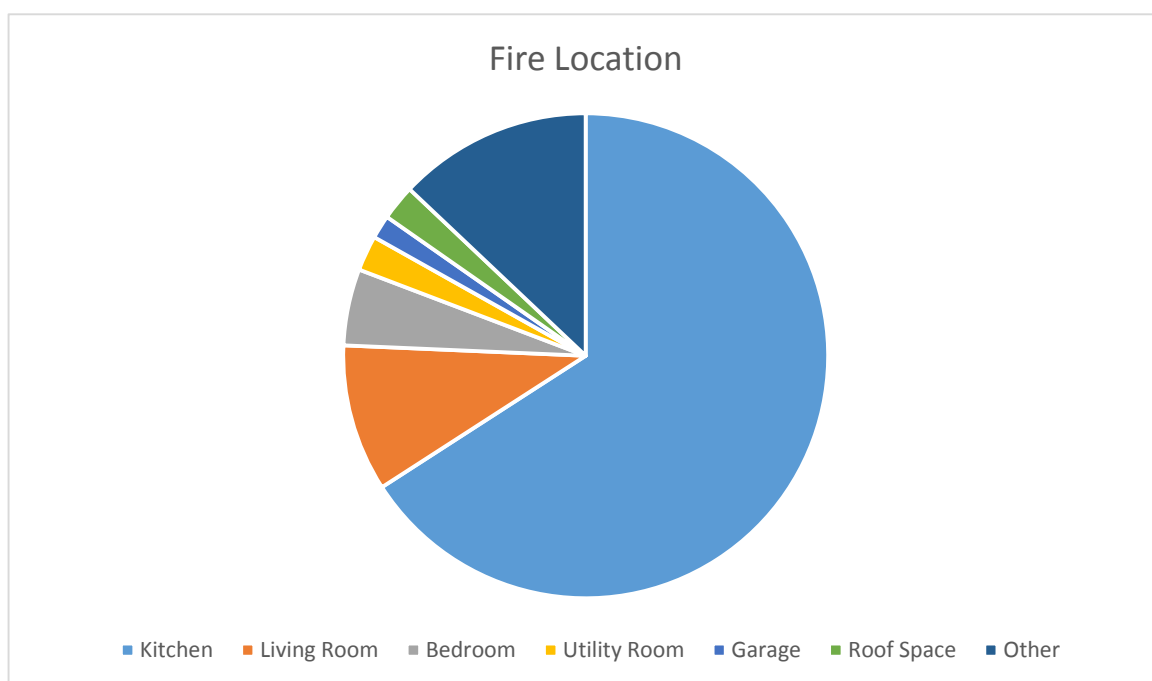
- 3.10 While these visits have been effective we hope to use service transformation to further develop the visits to cover wider Home Safety issues and provide an even better service to local communities.

4. ACCIDENTAL DWELLING FIRES

- 4.1 The reduction in the number and severity of Accidental Dwelling Fires is a key performance indicator for this priority and both quantitative and qualitative information will be supplied on these indicators.
- 4.2 The chart below shows the number of Accidental Dwelling Fires that have occurred within Moray from 1st April 2013 – 31st March 2018;



- 4.3 Between 1st April 2013 and 31st March 2018 the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service responded to 255 Accidental Dwelling Fires within the Moray Area. The chart below shows the room of origin for these incidents;



- 4.4 As can be seen from the chart below fires starting in the kitchen account for 66% of all accidental dwelling fires that occurred within the area.
- 4.5 Out of 255 accidental dwelling fires attended, at 192 incidents no firefighting action was required other than removing the item from the heat source and providing the occupiers with reassurance and community safety advice.

4.6 Partnership working and information sharing are key to reducing unintentional harm within the home and focus is being placed on developing the referral process to ensure that early interventions take place for those that are most vulnerable in the communities. Examples of partnership working initiatives that have been carried out in this area are:

- Safe and Sheltered Housing Initiative
- Hanover Housing Initiative
- Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks priority reconnection initiative.

5. **ACCIDENTAL DWELLING FIRE CASUALTIES**

5.1 The reduction in the number of Accidental Dwelling Fire Casualties (both Fatal and Non-Fatal) is a key performance indicator for this priority and both quantitative and qualitative information will be provided on these indicators.

5.2 Fatal fire analysis highlights that there are often multiple contributory factors when investigating fire deaths. Evidence provided by SFRS Fire Investigation for the 2014-15 period indicates there were 28 accidental dwelling fire fatalities recorded in Scotland. Of these, 23 were aged 60 and over (82%), of the 28, half (14) of the incidents were caused by smokers' materials. Contributory factors included e.g.; living alone (17), health issues including dementia and mobility problems (13) and alcohol (7).

5.3 Fatal accidental dwelling fires occur predominantly in the living room, usually the main habitable room, and there are clear links to lifestyle issues including the use of alcohol and smokers' materials. Early detection is of vital importance when any fire occurs and consideration should be given to the placement of fire detection in principle habitable rooms, as well as circulation spaces, as per Scottish Building Standards, which are interlinked to other detectors in the home.

5.4 In Moray there have been 2 Fatal Accidental Dwelling Fire Casualties since 1st April 2013 as shown in the table below;

2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18
0	1	0	1	0

5.5 Both fatal Accidental Dwelling Fire Casualties have been 60+ years of age.

5.6 A further breakdown of the ages of fatal accidental dwelling fire casualties is provided in the table below;

60-69	80-89
1	1

5.7 The gender balance of casualties was 1 male and 1 female.

5.8 Of the 2 dwelling fires that resulted in fatalities 1 of them started in the living room, and 1 in the kitchen.

5.9 Smoke Alarms were present in both fires, and on both occasions the alarm activated but did not raise the alarm.

5.10 In relation to Non-Fatal Accidental Dwelling Fire Casualties there have been 69 casualties as shown in the table below;

2013 – 14	2014 – 15	2015 – 16	2016 – 17	2017 – 18
23	8	11	15	12

5.11 The greatest number of Non-Fatal Casualties occurred in the 10-19 age group, a further breakdown of casualty's ages is shown in the table below;

0-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80-89	90-99	Not Known
2	10	8	7	7	9	6	2	5	2	11

5.12 For every casualty that occurs in an accidental dwelling fire a case study is carried out, the purpose of this is to record details of the circumstances relating to the casualty and to identify trends for future interventions.

5.13 Of the 69 casualties, 35 of these were male and the remaining 34 were female.

5.14 The main causation of Non-Fatal Fire Casualties was cooking related fires that accounted for 28 casualties.

5.15 Smoke Alarms were present in 40 (58%) instances that resulted in a casualty. The fitting and correct siting of Smoke Alarms remains a priority for the area.

6. MOVING FORWARD

6.1 Prevention and early intervention of unintentional harm within the home is a key priority for the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service within the Local Fire Plan. We will continue to work with partners and communities to maximise our contribution to preventing unintentional harm and promoting home safety.

6.2 As part of Service Transformation the Home Fire Safety Visits will be developed into Home Safety Visits to have a more holistic approach to reducing unintentional harm in the home.

6.3 Both inward and outward referral processes will continue to be refined to ensure that the right information is shared regarding people at risk of harm and the most vulnerable people.

6.4 Engagement activities will be focussed in areas where service demand has been identified and evidence identifies trends.

7. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) Corporate Plan and 10 Year Plan (Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP))

The Local Fire and Rescue Plan supports the outcomes contained within the Moray LOIP

(b) Policy and Legal

There are no specific policy or legal implications arising from this report.

(c) Financial Implications

There are no specific financial implications arising from this report.

(d) Risk Implications

There are no Risks directly identified in respect of this matter in terms of the Corporate and Directorate Risk Registers as the Committee is monitoring the performance of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service as required under the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 however links to the Corporate Risk of [Working with Other Organisations](#).

(e) Staffing Implications

There are no specific staffing implications arising from this report.

(f) Property

There are no specific property implications arising from this report.

(g) Equalities/Socio Economic Impact

An equality impact assessment is not required because this report refers principally to advice to members on the performance of the Scottish Fire & Rescue Service for the relevant periods. There will be no detrimental impact, as a result of the report, on people with protected characteristics.

(h) Consultations

Not applicable.

8. CONCLUSION

8.1 The Committee note the information provided in relation to Unintentional Harm and Home Safety.

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