

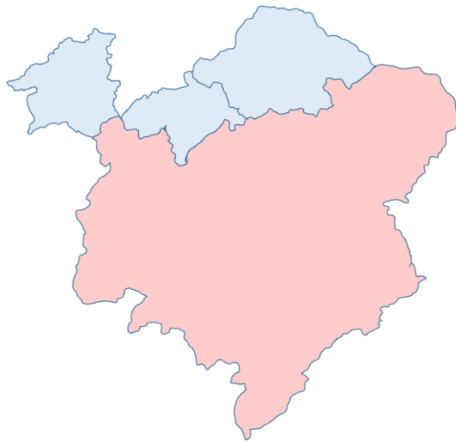
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Scottish Borders Area Command

The Lothians and Scottish Borders

Jedburgh and District Community Councils
Multi Member Ward Report for February 2025



The information provided within this report, is predominately based on the Jedburgh and District 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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Community Update – Jedburgh & District – PS Ali Granger

This month, PC Tait-Logan provided an input to the Primary 7's at Jedburgh campus regarding alcohol, tobacco and vapes. This is to help give them an understanding of the dangers associated to each and to try and resist peer pressure in respect of them.

Meanwhile, High School pupils at Jedburgh Campus have been provided a variety of inputs to help keep the young people safe online. PC Tait-Logan provided a sexting input to S1 and a sextortion input to S5 and S6.

PC Tait-Logan also carried out a safer driving input with S6 providing valuable advice to young people who are either driving or likely to be driving in the near future. This encourages them to be safe drivers and be considerate to other road users as well as being aware of the consequences of their actions / manner of driving.

PC Lee Harper has also been carrying out work with St Boswells Primary School Junior Road Safety Officers (JRSO's), carrying out speed checks with them – JRSO's worked hard - 30 vehicles were stopped with 6 being warned for speeding. They also gave an input to the P1, P2 & P3 pupils about road safety and blind spots. PC Harper helped the JRSO's to identify road safety signage on the roads surrounding the school and sent photographs to Scottish Borders Council Road Safety, highlighting areas which needed improvement. Well done to JRSO's from St Boswells Primary!



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Local Policing Priorities

1. Protecting Vulnerable People in a Physical & Digital World
2. Reducing violence and Anti-Social Behaviour
3. Reducing acquisitive crime
4. Improving road safety
5. Tackling serious and organised crime

Protecting Vulnerable People in a Physical & Digital World



In February 2025 Police in the Scottish Borders attended and were involved with around 163 mental health related calls, around 29 missing person enquiries and approximately 76 domestic related incidents.

Jedburgh & District had 8 mental health related calls and 1 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

Anti-Social Behaviour

On 05/02/2025 report of youths throwing objects at a house in Howdenburn Court, Jedburgh. Advice given. This is an ongoing issue and community officers made aware, SLO PC Tait Logan providing suitable inputs in school.

On 14/02/2025 report of intoxicated male banging on doors. Hartrigge Road, Jedburgh. Male traced and returned home, relevant support given.

On 22/02/2025 report of two males on dirt bikes riding on path nearly knocking over a dog walker. Hartrigge Crescent, Jedburgh. Enquiries ongoing.

On 25/02/2025 report of male shouting at Duck Row, Jedburgh. Male found and returned to his home address.

Vandalism

On 28/02/2025 report of vehicle vandalised. Burn Wynd, Jedburgh. Enquiries complete.

Reducing Acquisitive Crime

Theft

On 05/02/2025 report of theft of two e-bikes. Main Street, St Boswells. Enquiries complete.

On 18/02/2025 report of male shoplifting. Co-op, Jedburgh. Enquiry ongoing.

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On 21/02/2025 report of quad bike and various power tools stolen from workshop at a Farm Bonjedward Mill. Enquires ongoing.

On 24/02/2025 report of male shoplifting. Co-op, Jedburgh. Enquiry ongoing.

On 25/02/2025 two reports of males shoplifting. Co-op, Jedburgh. Enquiries ongoing.



Improving Road Safety

On 05/02/2025 – a driver was issued a fine for driving without a MOT in St. Boswells



Tackling Serious and Organised Crime

Serious and organised crime enforcement – February 2025

The Scottish Borders CID Proactive Unit executed 2 Drug Warrant during the month of February which resulted in the significant seizures of Class B and C Drugs. 2 persons were reported for drug related offences.

A male was stopped and searched under the Misuse of Drugs Act which resulted in the seizure of a quantity of Class A drugs from within a vehicle. Following assistance from our Road policing colleagues several road traffic offences were identified. A report has been submitted to the Procurator Fiscal.

Another industrial sized cannabis cultivation was also discovered at a business premises within Hawick. This had a value of approximately £300,000 with enquires still ongoing in relation to this. This was widely reported in local and national news outlets.

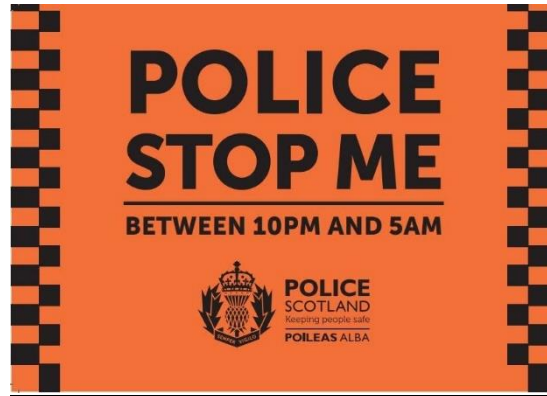
Serious and organised crime impacts local communities across the Borders and anyone with information on criminal activity are asked to contact Police Scotland on 101, report it at any Police Station or report it anonymously via the Crime Stoppers Charity.

Campaigns

Launch of the Stop Me Sticker Campaign to help tackle rural crime. Police Scotland is providing farming communities with a specially designed, waterproof sticker than can be displayed on tractors, excavators, and other rural machinery, encouraging police to stop them to verify ownership and permitted use during set hours where the machinery is not routinely used by the owners.

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Sextortion is blackmail. Criminals target people through dating apps, social media, text or email and manipulate them into sharing sexual content that they later use to demand money. Don't panic, don't pay, report it to police. Read more at <https://orlo.uk/UPF97>



CAT Update

ROAD SAFETY & PARKING TICKETS –

Officers have been carrying out high visibility enforcement across the Borders and addressing parking concerns there. Extra attention was given to Galashiels, Selkirk, Duns and Chirnside following complaints.

On the 5th February SBCAT were on mobile patrol in Burnfoot when there was a report of a no injury collision between an electric off road motorbike and a car. The bike was seized, and the rider was charged with several offences under the Road Traffic Act.

On the 15th February SBCAT officers came across a van in Galashiels that appeared to be abandoned with it's lights on. Upon inspection a driver was found to be in the driver's seat but heavily intoxicated with alcohol. He failed the breath test and was later charged with drink driving.

RURAL ACQUISITIVE CRIME –

We carry out high visibility mobile patrols across rural areas at varying times while completing static road checks.

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On the 26th of February a rural patrol of farms was completed using the quad bikes in the area around Galashiels. Numerous farmers were spoken to and anti-theft farm vehicle stickers were handed out.

VIOLENCE AND ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR –

High visibility patrols have continued in targeted areas of the Scottish Borders to address concerns highlighted as per our taskings.

On the 9th February 2025 there was a serious incident in Chirnside and SBCAT assisted with the enquiry. A male was arrested and later appeared at Jedburgh Sheriff Court for murder.

On the 13th February 2025 the SBCAT were first to attend an immediate call to a pub in Galashiels following an assault whereby a male was left unconscious. The CAT assisted with the arrest of the suspect and took the injured male to the BGH.

PROTECTING VULNERABLE PEOPLE –

Since late December the SBCAT has been making attempts to trace a male who was wanted for a domestic related serious assault in Hawick. This continued into early February but by working with intelligence analysts in Edinburgh we were able to narrow down his location and he was subsequently arrested in Cheshire.

On the 10th of February a priority warrant was issued for a registered sex offender in Selkirk. The SBCAT were on duty and immediately attended at his address and arrested him.

Also, on the 10th of February SBCAT officers were in Selkirk when reports came in regarding a male approaching teenage females in a concerning manner in the town centre. The male was traced and issued with a recorded police warning.

TACKLING SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME –

In early February the SBCAT assisted the Proactive Crime Team as they executed a drugs search warrant in Hawick. Cannabis plants worth an estimated £290,000 were seized from the property.

OTHER ISSUES OF NOTE-

SBCAT officers now have access to Selecta DNA tagging Spray. This can be sprayed on suspects making off from us, such as those using off road bikes and failing to stop. It leaves an invisible residue behind which shows up under a UV light, allowing us to identify offenders.

[Feedback from a meeting/contacting your Community Policing Team](#)

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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