

GATESIDE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEETING – 09/03/2017

POLICE REPORT

CRIMEFILE

The Crimefile system records crimes committed in a particular area throughout Fife. Since the last meeting on 8th February 2017 there has been one recorded crime our Crimefile system for Gateside which related to a crime of dishonesty. This relates to the theft of a trailer from a property in Bower Park between 15th and 16th February. To date, this has not been detected, however should anyone have any information to assist in this matter please contact 101.

There were no other notable calls to Gateside since the last meeting.

ACTIVITIES

Graeme and I are also keen to tackle road traffic issues including speeding in and around the various villages and we are in the process of arranging days of action for that. We have recently completed a series of road safety inputs with children at Primary Schools and are also keen to get into all of our schools to provide similar inputs as and when convenient.

Graeme and I are also setting up Bikeability courses, previously called Cycling Proficiency, at the primary schools where we teach pupils safe cycling skills over a number of weeks. It is hoped that this will get underway in a few weeks once we have slightly better weather.

Graeme is also arranging for car seat checks to be delivered to staff at the primary schools in line with the new legislation that is to come into force. Graeme has arranged for the assistance of Fife Council Safer Communities Team to assist in delivering this input and general road safety advice. No date has been set as yet, however will hopefully be in the near future.

Last year Graeme and I also took part in a day of action with Fife Trading Standards in relation to Bogus Workmen/callers. We are keen to arrange a further day of action after some reports of suspicious activity in some of the villages in The Howe of Fife. Should anyone have any information or concerns in relation to such activity, please don't hesitate to contact Police on 101.

The year 2017 has also seen changes to the Management Team at Cupar Police Station. Chief Inspector Annandale has recently moved to Area Commander at Kirkcaldy Police Station and is replaced by Chief Inspector Steven Hamilton. Inspector John Docherty has recently assumed the responsibility of North East Fife Community Inspector following the departure of Inspector Nicola Black who has also moved to the same role in Kirkcaldy.

Sergeant Ewan Pearce is also moving on to pastures new with a move to Sergeant covering Divisional Road Policing. He will be replaced by PS Sharon Holmes who moves to us from Levenmouth Police Station.

POLICING 2026

Graeme and I also want to draw your attention to a new survey being rolled out across Scotland. Policing 2026 is a strategic programme which aims to transform the police service over the next 10 years by ensuring that as many voices as possible are heard. The consultation will run for 10 weeks and will help refine and inform the strategy.

The programme acknowledges that communities in Scotland are changing and the Police service must also change and adapt to provide the best possible service, and to do that we would like to hear the opinions of members of the public.

There is a short survey online which will remain open until 8th May 2017 and we would encourage as many people as possible to take a few minutes to complete this wherever possible.

<https://consult.scotland.police.uk/consultation/2026>