Ward 6 Cromarty Firth November 2025



Reporting Period - 01 November 2025 - 25 November 2025

Local Policing Priorities



Road Safety and Road Crime

Intention - With Partners, enhance Road Safety across the Highland Area.

Objective – With Partners, deliver a Road Safety Strategy focusing on: Challenging driver behaviour; Education at the roadside and elsewhere; Detection of offences linked to contributing factors of Fatal and Serious Road Traffic Collisions and collectively reducing potential harm.

There have been a total of six motorists arrested for drink and drug (cannabis / cocaine) driving in Ward 6 during the reporting period, due to proactive policing of the road networks.

Additionally, one motorist was issued with a Conditional Offer of Fixed Penalty for Careless Driving on the A9 at Kilmuir. A motorist in Invergordon was reported for having two defective tyres, whilst another was issued a Conditional Offer of Fixed Penalty for having a dangerous load on the A9 at Rosskeen.

Police Scotland will be running its annual Festive Drink / Drug Drive campaign between Monday 1st December 2025 and Sunday 4th January 2026.

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Anti-Social Behaviour, Disorder and Violence

Intention – With Partners, better understand the causes to prevent and reduce instances of Anti-Social Behaviour, Disorder and Violence to enhance community safety across the Highland Area.

Objective – Work with Partners to share information, support Education, Prevention, Diversionary and Enforcement Measures linked to harmful alcohol consumption; maintain robust procedures around licensed premises; support victims of violent crime by working with partners to improve service provision and prevent repeat victimisation.

Police Scotland is committed to effectively dealing with perpetrators of violence and will not tolerate violence of any kind towards its officers. Perpetrators of such incidents will always be dealt with robustly and reported to the courts where there is sufficient evidence.

There have been twelve reports of assault during November, one of which was categorised as a serious assault. One individual has been charged with two assaults after a disturbance on a bus and there have also been assaults reported in domestic settings and one in an educational setting.

Three incidents of vandalism to residential and businesses addresses in Alness and Invergordon are being actively investigated.

Acquisitive Crime

Intention – With Partners and Communities, prevent instances of acquisitive crime across the Highland area.

Objective – With Partners, share information, support education, prevention, diversionary and enforcement activity linked to acquisitive crime; develop work with targets – recidivist offenders to reduce reoffending linked to acquisitive crime e.g. Persistent Offenders programme; enhance the use of all media platforms to raise awareness of local and national preventative initiatives.

Retail crime is a continuing focus both locally and nationally. Three offences of Shoplifting have been reported during November – committed at both The Cooperative, Alness and Morrisons. Alcohol and food items have been stolen in each case. One suspect was identified and has been issued with a Recorded Police Warning. A break-in to a residential address in Evanton is also being investigated, where a quantity of cash was taken.

Protecting Vulnerable People

Intention – Protect people at risk of harm.

Objective – With Partners and as corporate parents we will deliver the Highland CHAMPS (Highland Champion Board) strategy; with Partners we will focus on safeguarding communities; with Partners we will address emerging issues through Prevention and Intervention.

There is nothing specific to report for November under this section however, protecting vulnerable people remains a priority for local officers. Calls regarding concern for person and mental health related incidents are attended frequently. These calls can have quite an impact on local resources however there is currently a review ongoing at executive level to ensure Police Scotland are providing the most appropriate response to these types of incidents. Further information can be found here Thematic review of policing mental health in Scotland | HM Inspectorate of Constabulary in Scotland and Multi-Agency Partnership Approach to Distress: Framework for Collaboration

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Serious and Organised Crime

Intention – With Partners, reduce the threat, risk and harm caused by Serious Organised Crime.

Objective – With Partners work to safeguard the Highland area by taking all opportunities to prevent crime and make the Highland area a hostile environment for Serious & Organised Crime Groups; to improve outcomes for individuals and communities and reduce offending through prevention, early intervention and diversion; in support of our Partners in the Local Authority and NHS via the Highland Alcohol and Drug Partnership Strategy we will direct those who are substance dependant towards recovery through prevention, treatment and support services; with Partners work to reduce the instances of substance misuse in our communities.

Police Scotland continues to tackle substance abuse within our communities by using tactics such as proactive searches of individuals and pre-planned, intelligence-led enforcement.

Five offences of Possession with Intent to Supply Controlled Drugs have been investigated during November, where various types and quantities of suspected drugs have been recovered and individuals arrested. Recoveries have taken place in Alness, Invergordon and Milton.

Twelve offences of lower-level Possession of Controlled Drugs have been detected, with suspects dealt with accordingly.

Officers continue to record and act upon all intelligence submitted to Police Scotland regarding serious and organised crime and encourage public to report suspicious activity via contact us form on the website or via 101.

Counter Terrorism

Intention – Support the delivery of the CONTEST strategy to reduce the threat posed by terrorism and domestic extremism.

Objective – Strengthen PREVENT work with Partners and institutions; with Partners, support individuals who are vulnerable to terrorism and violent extremism; strengthen PREVENT work in relation to the internet and Social Media; Effective Multi-agency planning in respect of Counter Terrorism is taking place; Develop our ability to response effectively to any terrorist attack (with a specific focus on emerging high-risk threats, and specialist capabilities).

ACT Early is a program delivered to schools across the Highland area. The ACT Early session is a vehicle for debate around the sensitive issue of violent extremism within communities. As such it is an enabler for community participants to air grievances, debate matters of interest to them and work through a group problem solving experience. The following links can provide more information regarding the program: https://act.campaign.gov.uk/ https://actearly.uk/

Whilst Counter Terrorism is obviously a priority for Police Scotland, in the monthly report it is anticipated that there will be nothing to report monthly and the information will generally remain as above.

Published crime data can also be accessed online via the following link:-**Crime data - Police Scotland**

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