

# Police Service of Scotland Community Council Report



**Community Council:**

Forth and Endrick, Killearn

**Reporting Period:**

November 2014

**Ward Plan Priorities**

**Antisocial Behaviour**

You are concerned about antisocial behaviour including drunken behaviour.

In the past month there have been no reports of any anti-social behaviour. The Fireworks display passed without any incidents reported to Police.

**Road Safety**

You are concerned about speeding, dangerous driving and indiscriminate parking

In the past month officers have been out with Hand held Radar, with no one caught speeding.

Police Scotland are currently working to promote vehicle road worthiness and ensure responsible use of vehicles. One driver has been caught using a phone while driving and one driving a vehicle without a door window!

As most will have heard, the drink/driving limit has been reduced by the Scottish government from 35ug of alcohol to 20ug of alcohol in 100ml of breath. This new limit takes effect on 5 December 2014 and local officers will be doing what we always do at this time of year and taking every opportunity to breath test drivers. We are regularly asked what this means and 'how much can I have to drink and still be under the limit?' There is no simple answer to the question and the simplest response is don't risk it. Don't drive if you have had alcohol and if you are in any doubt, don't take the risk. The courts take a firm line with drink drivers and the offence carried a minimum 12 month driving ban in addition to a fine, may result in imprisonment and the court can take your car and have it crushed. Quite a price to pay!

**Theft**

You are concerned about homes being broken into and travelling criminals

In the past month there have been no crimes of any type reported in Killearn!

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## Community Engagement and Reassurance

It is important to you to have community officers who you know, who are accessible and who address local problems

In the last month Officers have been in Killearn regularly on foot and on mobile patrol.

Police Scotland will shortly launch a number of messages aimed at keeping People Safe in the festive period. These include

**'Party Safe'** - Charge your mobile when you are out; Watch your drink and don't leave it unattended; don't be tempted to use so called 'legal' highs. Legal does not mean 'safe'; Stick with friends and plan how you will get home; dress for the weather.

**'Shop Safe'** - Check cash machines have not been tampered with and hide your PIN; Don't leave presents in your car on view; keep your bag closed and your purse safe;

**'Home Safety'** - Check windows and doors are locked when you are out; Protect any gifts you've bought for your friends and family. Get them to register mobiles, tablets, laptops and cameras at [www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com). Don't give them a good quality bike without giving them a good quality lock, and register bikes at [www.BikeRegister.com](http://www.BikeRegister.com).

**'Online safety'** - If you're buying your child a mobile or tablet for Christmas, think about how you can keep them safe online; If you'll be away from home over Christmas or even just out and about, be careful about what you say on social networking sites – don't let thieves know your house will be empty, we know that they do check!

**Other  
Incidents /  
Activity of  
note**

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## Issues raised

## Community Council Feedback

Raymond provided a very good summary of activity and answered several questions.

There is continuing concern about speeding in Beech Rd from Abbeyfield onwards. If speed checks in Killlearn are contemplated, could this area be a priority please. If such checks do take place, even though no one is caught, could you please note this on your report so that we can let residents know that there has been a response to this request. Many thanks.

No other incidents were reported.