Torry

Community Council

August 2025

This report aims to highlight emerging issues in your area, and to provide crime prevention advice and guidance to Community Council members and the residents you represent. Our focus is to reduce crime and disorder, help create safer communities and respond effectively to local concerns.

Crime Overview

We are pleased to announce improvements in the way statistics are provided to Community Councils. Previously, the manual generation of stats due to misalignment between Community Council boundaries and Police beat codes led to occasional inaccuracies and was time-consuming. Now, the North East Police division will provide data that aligns with police beat codes, some of which encompass multiple Community Council areas. Additionally, beat code maps will be available for reference. We have also updated previous data to ensure comparable statistics are readily accessible.

In the Torry community, there were a total of 290 calls in August 2025. Calls to Police predominantly related to non-criminal matters including, concern for persons, missing persons, assisting the public and false calls with good intent.

As a result of these incidents, and proactive Police activity, 80 crimes were recorded in the Torry community during August 2025.

Crime Type	Jan 25	Feb 25	Mar 25	Apr 25	May 25	June 25	July 25	Aug 25
Drugs	6	7	10	11	4	10	2	4
Vandalism	10	13	3	7	9	7	8	5
Assault	9	19	11	13	14	16	7	12
Theft	12	15	17	9	11	12	10	9
RTO	11	11	9	13	33	17	14	13

Antisocial behaviour, Violence and Disorder

On 8 August 2025, in the area of Menzies Road, Aberdeen, Police received a report of a vandalism. A male was captured on CCTV to cover his face with a bin bag before damaging the CCTV camera. The male was identified and issued with a Recorded Police Warning.

On 20 August 2025, in the area of Balnagask Road, Aberdeen, Police received a report of a vandalism to a motor vehicle. The owner parked and secured the vehicle with no damage. When returning to the vehicle it was found to have multiple deep scratches and scrapes had been made on the bonnet and rear passenger side door by an unknown suspect using an unknown tool or implement. There was CCTV coverage of the area and enquiries are ongoing.

Acquisitive Crime

On 12 August 2025, at a premises in the Crombie Road, Aberdeen area Police received a report of a theft of a Tentbox which had been fitted to a vehicle. The incident was fully captured on CCTV at nearby premises and enquiries are ongoing to identify the accused.

On 9 August 2025, in the area of Balnagask Road, Aberdeen, Police received a report of a theft by shoplifting. The male exited the premises without paying for goods totalling £30. The male thereafter left in a vehicle but was later traced by Police, charged and reported to the Procurator Fiscal.

Road Safety & Road Crime

During August 2025, 6 drivers were identified and charged with various road traffic offences and were reported to the Procurator Fiscal. These included driving without a valid MOT and driving unregistered motor vehicles with no insurance.

On 9 August 2025, in the area of Wellington Road, Aberdeen, a driver was stopped by Police for driving without due care and attention. The driver was cautioned and charged, issued a conditional offer resulting in 3 penalty points and a £100 fine.

Road safety remains a priority for the North East Police Division, and local resources will continue to undertake high visibility proactive patrols to ensure your roads are safe.

Community Safety Advice

In our busy lives, it's easy to overlook simple security measures. Even small preventative actions can significantly reduce crime in our communities.

Unfortunately, we've seen a concerning trend in the North East over recent months. Numerous unlocked vehicles have been targeted, with thieves making off with everything from tools to laptops.

That's why it's absolutely vital to protect yourself from becoming a victim of theft. Get into the habit of locking your car every time you leave it and always ensure your windows are fully closed.

Vehicle break-ins are often committed by opportunistic thieves looking for an easy target. Unlocked vehicles offer quick and quiet access to valuables. Whether it's electronics, personal belongings, or even just loose change, anything left inside can catch a thief's eye. Simply put, an unlocked car is an open invitation for criminals.

Why Locking Your Vehicle Matters
A locked car is a much less attractive target for thieves. Breaking into a locked vehicle takes more time and dramatically increases a thief's risk of getting caught. Most criminals prefer easy targets. By locking your vehicle, you safeguard any items inside.

Stolen items can unfortunately lead to other crimes. For example, if a thief steals your garage door opener, they now have easy access to your home. Preventing the initial theft can stop a chain reaction of potential criminal activity.

Simple Tips for Vehicle Security
Always Lock Your Vehicle
This might seem obvious, but it's the most effective deterrent. Even if you're parked in your own driveway or garage, make it a habit to lock your car every time you leave it. Don't just listen for the click of the lock; always check for your lights flashing or mirrors closing and better still, give the door handle a quick tug to be certain it's locked.

Remove Valuables
Never leave anything valuable in plain sight. If you absolutely must leave items in your vehicle, store them out of sight in the boot or a locked glove compartment.

Park in Well-Lit Areas
Thieves prefer to operate under the cover of darkness. Parking under streetlights or near motion-activated lights can make your vehicle less appealing.

Activate Your Alarm System
If your vehicle has an alarm, make sure it's armed.
If not, consider installing a car alarm or a motion-activated dashcam. The noise and attention they create can be enough to scare off potential thieves.

Be Vigilant
Keep an eye out for any suspicious activity in your neighbourhood and report it to the Police. Community awareness plays a huge role in deterring crime.

Locking your vehicle at night is a simple in crime prevention. You can protect your belongings, significantly reduce the likelihood of theft and contribute to a safer community.

Remember - lock up, stay vigilant and help
keep your vehicle and your neighbourhood safe.

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Community Concerns

Please take the opportunity to let us know of any community concerns or issues so that we can explore these issues and take action to address your concerns.

Any updates will be fed back to the Community Council in future reports.

Contact Us

Please also remember you can contact us using any of the following:

- ☎ 101 – Non emergency;
- ✍ Email - NorthEastCPTAberdeenCity@scotland.police.uk
- ✍ Twitter - @NorthEPolice
- ✍ Facebook – www.facebook.com/NorthEastPoliceDivision
- ✍ Web – www.scotland.police.uk
- ☎ 999 – Emergency;
- ☎ 0800 555 111 - Crimestoppers;

BEAT CODE MAPS