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Dundee City Council

Community Safety and Public Protection Committee

**DUNDEE LOCAL POLICING AREA
QUARTERLY POLICE REPORT**

1st October – 31th December 2019

**Report Number 70-2020 by Chief Superintendent Andrew Todd,
Police Scotland 'D' Division (Tayside)**

1. RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 It is recommended that members note and scrutinise this operational report.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The purpose of this report (Appendix A) is to provide information to the Committee regarding the performance of Police Scotland to facilitate local scrutiny.
- 2.2 Appendix A will provide information in relation to some of the work which has taken place within Dundee Local Policing Area.
- 2.3 The content in this report is for information purposes to allow Board Members to conduct their scrutiny responsibilities.

3. PERFORMANCE

- 3.1 Appendix A will provide updates on:
- Putting Victims at the Heart of What We Do
 - Tackling Crime and Antisocial Behaviour

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- Protecting Vulnerable People
- Maintaining Public Safety

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1. There are no financial implications as a result of this report.

5. STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no staffing issues as a result of this report.

6. ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

6.1 This report does not have any impact on the environment.

7. SUMMARY

7.1 The attached report updates members regarding significant operational matters and performance of the local policing area.

8. COMPLIANCE

Is the proposal;

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| (a) Human Rights Act 1998 compliant? | YES |
| (b) Equality & Diversity compliant? | YES |



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Quarter Ending 31st December 2019
Chief Superintendent Todd



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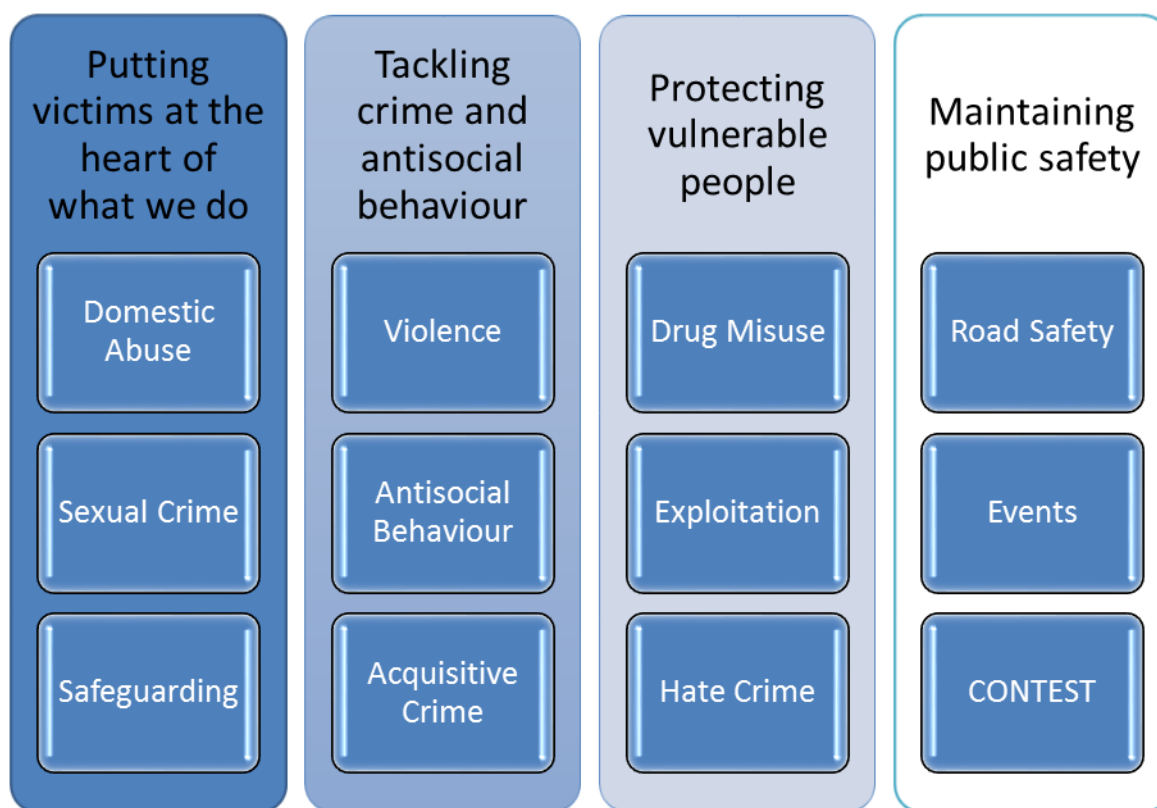
Introduction and overview of Policing Objectives

As from April 2013, the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 has required Divisional Commanders to produce and publish a Local Policing Plan (LPP) for each local authority area. The LPP clearly sets out the policing objectives for Dundee City and were presented to Community Safety and Public Protection Committee.

Performance in relation to the identified policing objectives and outcomes is monitored and reviewed at monthly Tasking and Delivery Meeting. Quarterly reports are produced to allow scrutiny by Dundee Council Community Safety and Public Protection Services Committee. This report covers the period from 1st October 2019 to 31st December 2019 inclusive, however will focus on Year to Date (YTD) data from 1 April 2019 to 31 December 2019.

Data provided in this report is for information purposes to allow Board Members to conduct their scrutiny responsibilities.

This report will make reference to specific crimes mentioned underneath local outcomes, which we refer to as our control strategy.



The information contained within this document compliments Force Priorities and supports reporting through Community Planning Partnership structures.

Putting victims at the heart of what we do

Having a victim centred approach allows us to consider the needs of victims at all times, working with partners to ensure the response is appropriate allows us to ensure support and preventative work takes place.

We continue to work and utilise specialist resources internally and externally and by ensuring our staff are trained we work hard to ensure our victims feel confident and supported in the service we provide.

Outcome 1 - Domestic Abuse

Activity

As of 31st December 2019 there has been a total of 1839 Domestic Abuse incidents reported to the police, this is an increase of 5.9 % on the previous year.

Of the 1839 incidents; 1268 domestic abuse crimes were recorded, which is an increase of 14.8 % compared to last year. This equates to a rise of 163 crimes compared to the same period.

This increase is in line with national trends and, as per previous reports, can be attributed in part to the enactment of the Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018. 76 crimes have been recorded over the reporting period in relation to the new legislation.

There are currently 9 individuals in Dundee subject to proactive enforcement by the local Domestic Abuse Investigation Unit and the National Domestic Abuse Task Force as part of the MATAC process.

During the reporting period from 1st April 2019 to 31st December 2019, 68 persons were arrested for breaching their specific domestic bail conditions.

A one week violence reduction operation was held in Dundee in October and over 100 preventative and proactive visits were made to both victims and perpetrators of domestic abuse. Police Scotland continue to work with statutory and third sector partners to provide tailored support, advocacy and effective safety plans for victims of domestic abuse.

Results

The overall detection rate for reported domestic crimes is 60%.

On Thursday 16th January 2020, a repeat male perpetrator was convicted of attempted murder of a previous partner and a number of other violent offences at Edinburgh High Court following a detailed MATAC investigation.

It is recognised that Domestic Abuse offences account for approximately one third of all violent crime in Dundee and this conviction demonstrates the effectiveness of this Multi-Agency process in identifying and targeting repeat offenders who present the greatest risk to their partners and to the wider community.

Challenges

Reported historical domestic crimes continue to represent around 19% of the total crimes reported in Dundee. Although at times challenging to investigate Police Scotland remain committed to doing so.

Outcome 2 – Sexual Crime

Reported sexual crime has increased from 323 crimes last year to 480 recorded crimes for the same period this year. This is an increase 157 crimes, a rise of 48.6%.

It is accepted that increased recorded sexual crime; is as a result of increased online sexual crimes, increases reports of non-recent crimes and increased recording of sexual offences against children, particularly between peer groups of older children.

Activity

As highlighted in previous reports a dedicated not recent enquiry team, with specialised detective officers was created. This important work designed and facilitated to address increases in non-recent crime and focus on Child Sexual Exploitation has led to increased awareness, identification and recording of crimes against older children.

With regard to online crime, Dundee has one of the few police teams in Scotland dedicated to online sexual crime. The team recently experienced positive feedback from a HMICS led inspection into online sexual crime.

Prevention and interventions have been a key focus of the Tayside children's service collaborative who have made online risks to children a priority and several areas of innovative practice, training and public education using social and other forms of media have been tested.

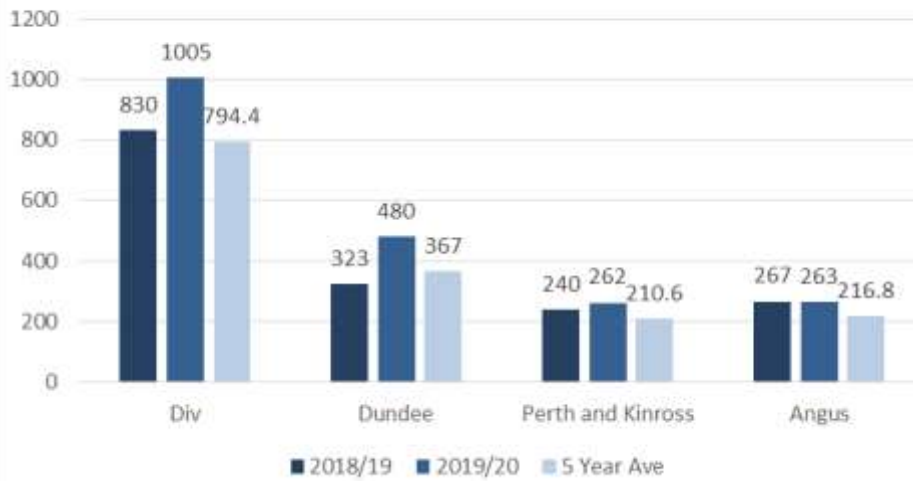
Results

In November 2019, a 31 year old, was sentenced to imprisonment for the sexual abuse of a number of young girls between the ages of 6 and 11 between 2014 and 2018 in Dundee. This is a typical example of the difficult enquiries carried out by D Division officers in order to protect the most vulnerable children in our community.

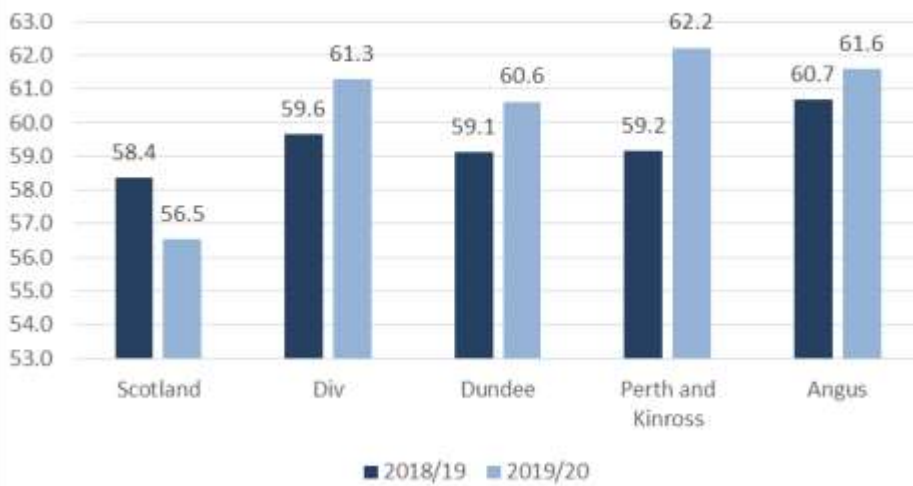
Challenges

Reported historical crimes and the associated investigation continue to be a challenge to investigate. These investigation are often complex and intensive to investigate as well as distressing for victims. Police Scotland remain committed to investigating these incidents, providing the necessary support and bringing offenders to justice.

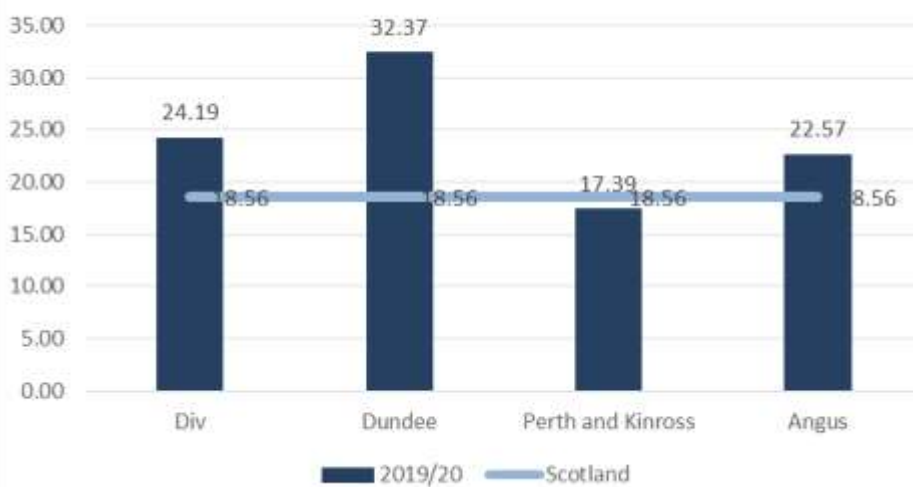
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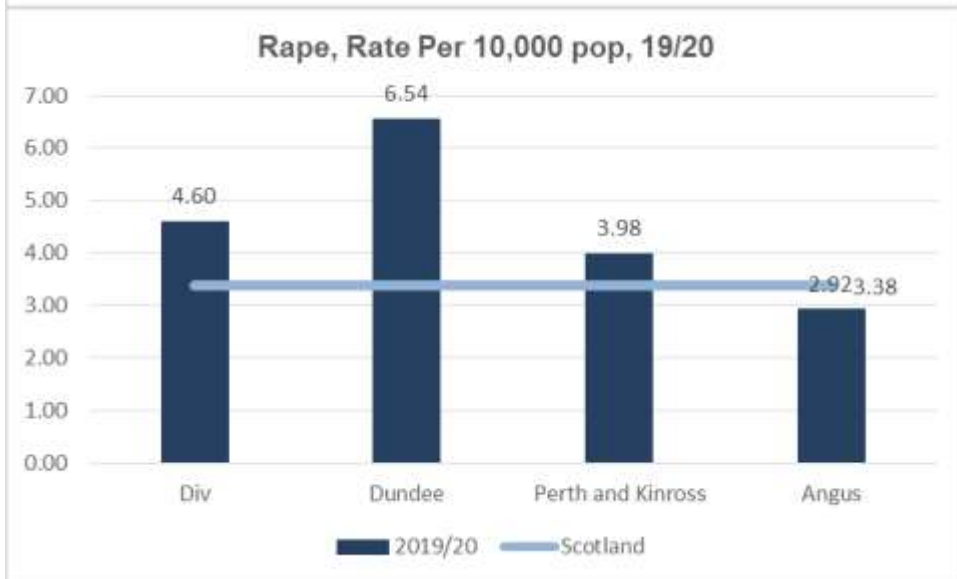
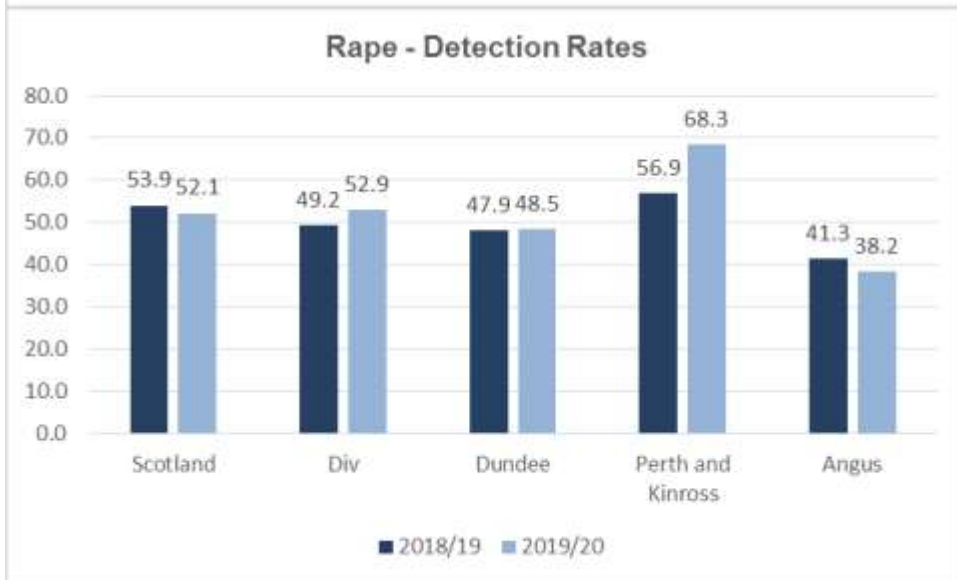
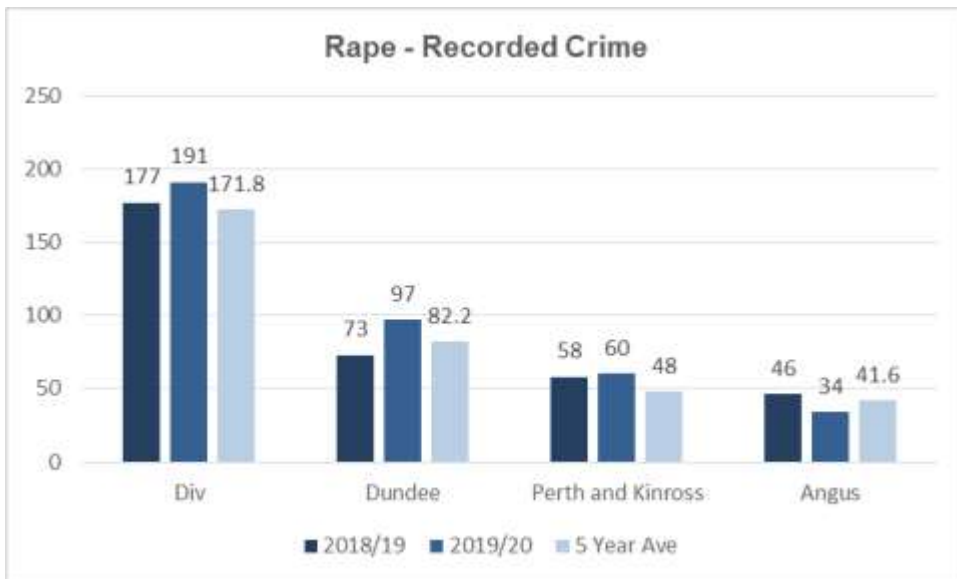


Group 2 - Detection Rates



Group 2, Rate Per 10,000 pop, 19/20





Outcome 3 – Safeguarding

Safeguarding is a hugely diverse area involving missing persons, concern calls, vulnerability and adult and child protection.

Activity

Of significance during this reporting quarter has been the commitment to two Child Protection operations, namely Operations Aardwolfblue and Rustix. Whilst the latter is still ongoing and cannot be described in detail both involve the targeting and disruption of Organised Crime Groups from England involved in the exploitation of young people in Dundee, violence and distribution of drugs.

Operation Aardwolfblue was a test of significant multi-agency work dedicated to Child Sexual Exploitation practice around Tayside. A focus on cultural and practice improvements has ensured commitment to this operation from a wide variety of partners from Police and the local authority and the work has been recognised at the recent Divisional Police awards and nationally.

Positive work by Child Protection teams, Divisional Intelligence and Proactive teams along with local policing resources and Roads Policing has resulted in a significant reduction in the ongoing risk from these organised crime groups.

Results

As an integral part of the above operations and to recognise the value brought to the multi-agency partnership Barnardo's RISE project, which embeds a Child Sexual Exploitation adviser with the local policing area, has been recognised and nominated for policing partner of the year at the forthcoming Police Scotland awards.

Public Protection teams in Dundee have made increasing use of preventative orders such as Sexual Offences Prevention Orders following the identification of perpetrators of sexual offences and exploitative behaviour towards young women in Dundee. This is designed to target trends seen elsewhere of young females, usually children, becoming victims of exploitation following early substance use, often at known party flats.

Challenges

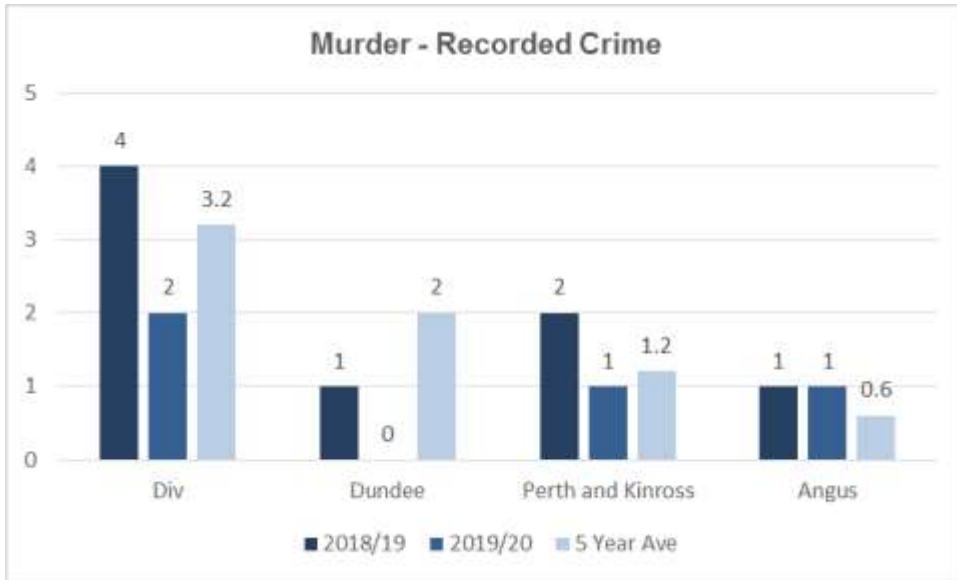
Matching trends seen in other parts of Scotland and the UK, Police and partners are seeing a year on year increase in demand for Child Protection Services. Dundee has seen a 33% average year on year increase in Child Protection investigations over the last 4 years. New trends such as online abuse along with increased awareness raising and improvements in identifying risks provide context around these increases as we know some children will remain at risk of abuse. Work is taking place within Dundee and within Tayside collaborative arrangements to identify innovative ways of meeting these anticipated increases in demand.

Tackling crime and antisocial behaviour

It is recognised that through early intervention and an early response we can prevent escalation and crime occurring and we work hard with partners to achieve this.

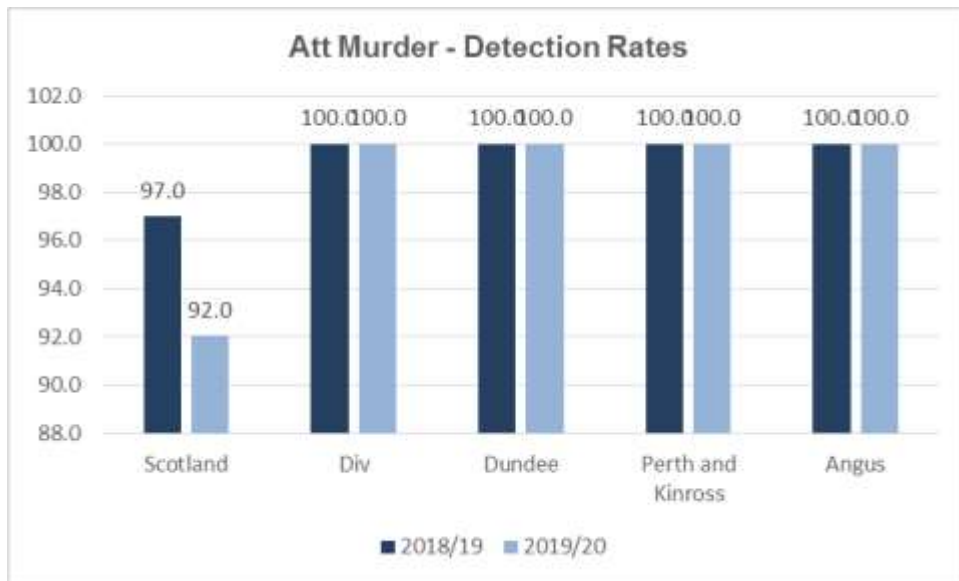
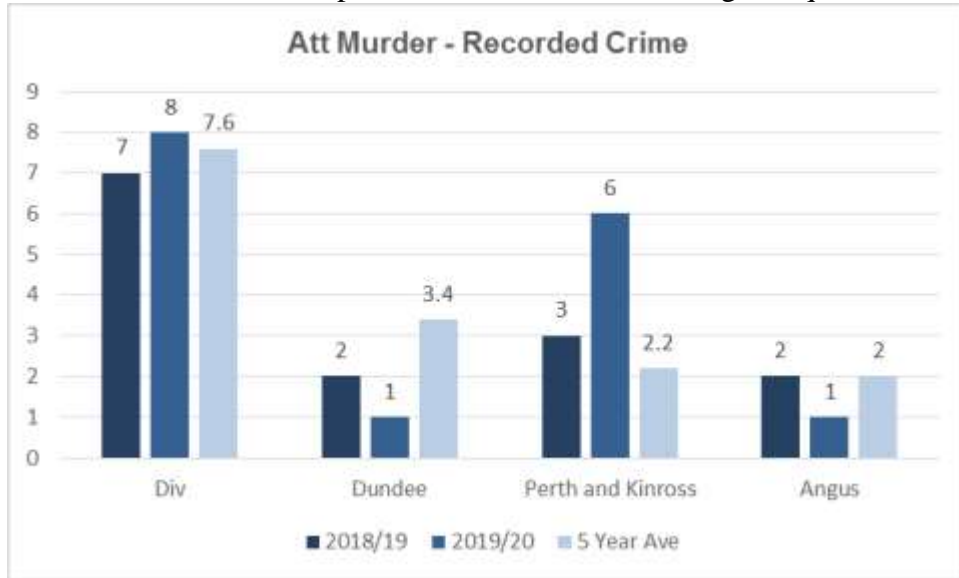
Outcome 1 – Violence

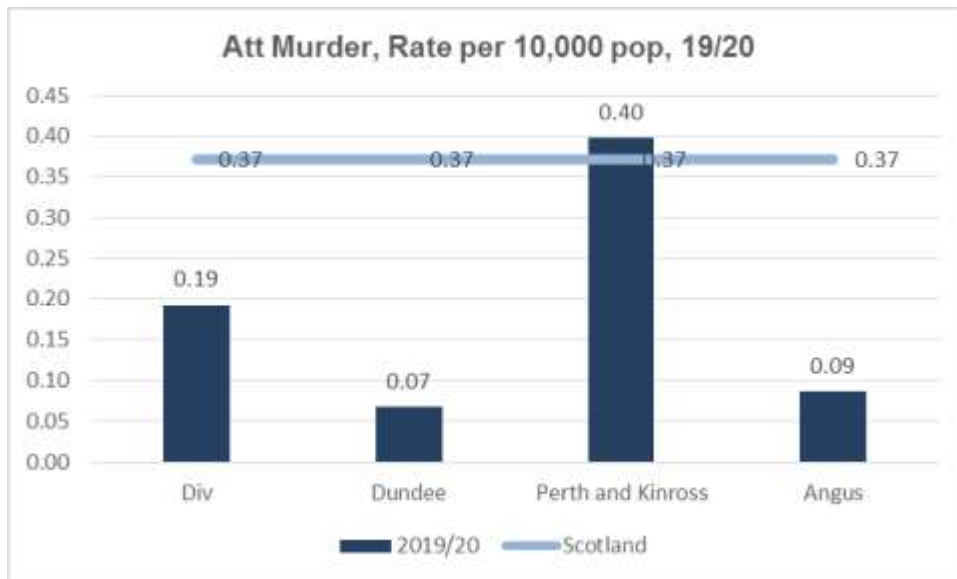
There have been no murders in Dundee during this reporting period.



Attempted Murder

There have been no attempted murders in Dundee during this quarter.





Serious Assaults

Activity

Officers have been deployed on night time economy patrols every weekend and carry out regular engagement and visits to licensed premises across the city, supported by public space and mobile CCTV operators.

A bespoke policing plan was implemented during the Festive period, this involved increased visibility and patrols throughout the city.

Intelligence continues to be used to disrupt those involved in crimes of violence, this has supported the city violence reduction activity which has led to a significant amount of arrests for violent offences and recovery of offensive weapons and knives

The PSYV have supported the delivery of 'No knives better lives' inputs to young people across the city.

Scottish Government funded Navigator initiative has commenced at Ninewells Hospital, Dundee on 28th November 2019. This work provides a pivotal link for the vulnerable to statutory and third sector support services. Inspector Cath Lannen who is seconded to the National Violence Reduction Unit provides an important policing input.

Results

In comparison with the previous year's figures there has been a decrease of 6 recorded crimes. Four of the crimes accounted for during this period occurred out with the reporting period, with one being committed in 2011 and another in 2017.

The detection rate remains below the previous quarter and is a reduction upon the year to date figures. It is not uncommon for detection rates to fluctuate when we have seen increases in instances of reported crime.

All undetected serious assaults continue to be reviewed by local policing and CID supervisors to confirm all relevant lines of enquiry have been considered.

Two of the recorded serious assaults were perpetrated against on duty police officers. The three persons responsible have been reported to the Youth Justice Assessor given the age of the perpetrator.

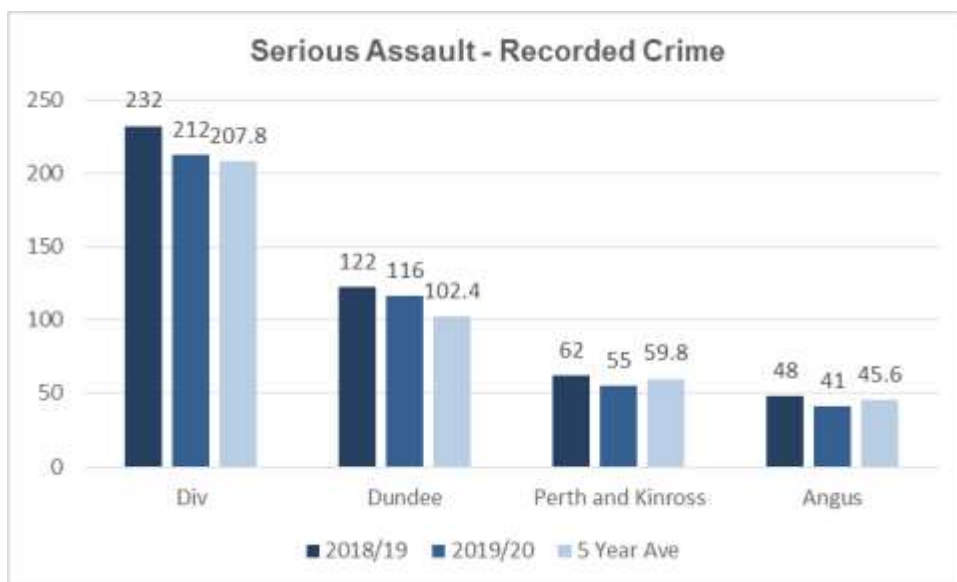
Only 5 of the recorded serious assaults have been committed within or near to licensed premises. However, alcohol remains an important contributory factor overall.

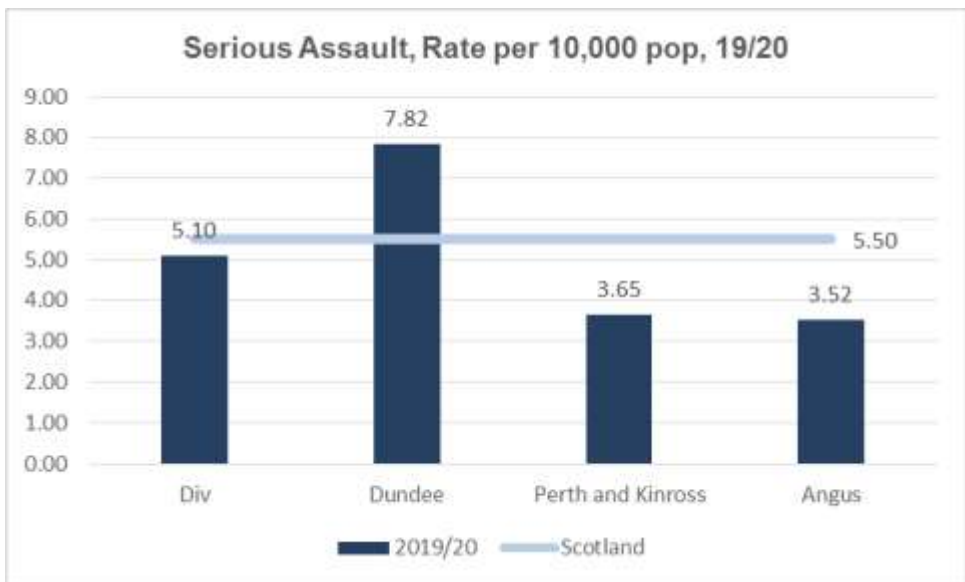
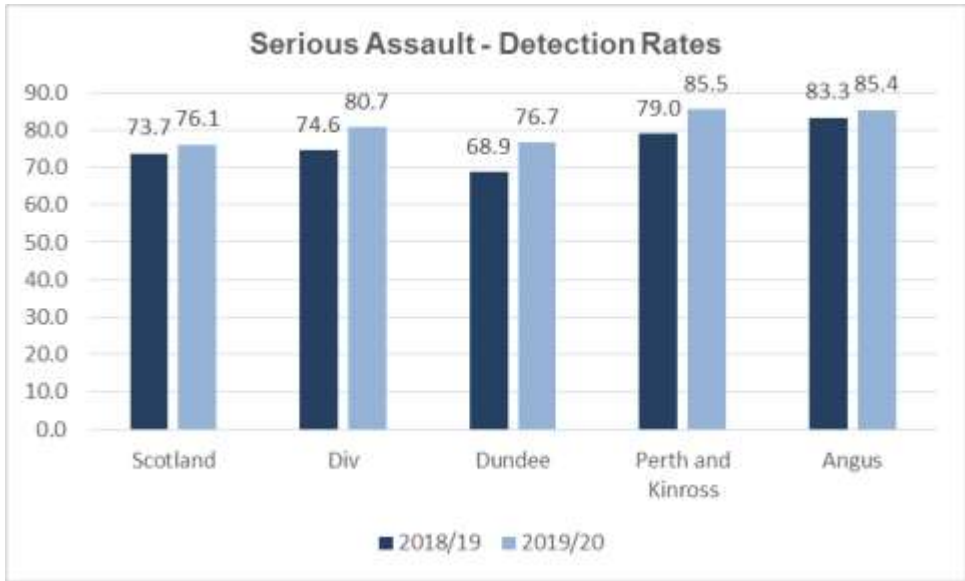
Challenges

The majority of the serious assaults recorded have not involved the use of a weapon.

However, many have involved people who are known to each other, with just under 50% having been committed within someone's home. A large number have been committed by persons under the influence of alcohol.

Those committed outdoors are spread across the city with no particular crime hot spot location being identified.





Assaults

The overall number of assaults over the reporting period has increased from 1612 last year to 1831 for the same period this year. That is an increase of 219 crimes and 13.5 % which is also higher than the 5 year average.

The detection rate for the comparable period has increased by 1.9% to 68.5 % which is higher than the national average.

Within this rise there continues to be a rise in domestic assaults but in addition indoor violence. Ancillary to these rises, 231 police officers have been assaulted in the execution of their duty. This is a rise of 62 crimes and 36.6%.

Activity

Considerable effort is placed into the detection of all crimes of violence, with regular supervisory reviews and specialist support. In addition to enforcement equal emphasis is placed on prevention and proactivity.

Half of the secondary Schools in the Dundee are actively involved in the Mentors in Violence Prevention programme. This kind of programme is key to promoting and encouraging young people to safely challenge abuse and violence using the bystander approach through peer mentoring. Work is ongoing via Insp Lannen (National Violence Reduction Unit) and the Divisional Preventions Hub.

There are established night time economy plans which are implemented every weekend to impact positively on disorder before it escalates to violence. There are strong relationships with the licensing trade which help facilitate this.

In October, officers from across Dundee were involved in a week long violence reduction operation during which 37 persons were arrested for a variety of violent offences. In addition, two hammers, five knives, a baseball bat, a samurai sword and a taser type device were recovered as a result of focussed stop search activity. This activity complement high visibility patrols in key areas also providing reassurance to the community.

The activity was highlight via social media platforms and was well received.

Building on the violence reduction campaign a festive safety campaign was delivered in the month of December. Preventative duties were identified for a proportion of officer on every shift of every day.

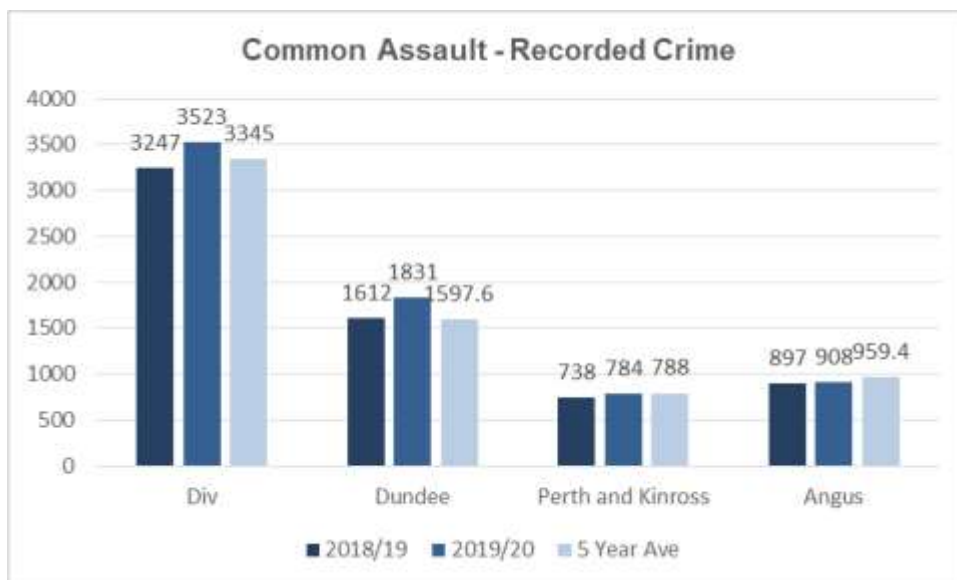
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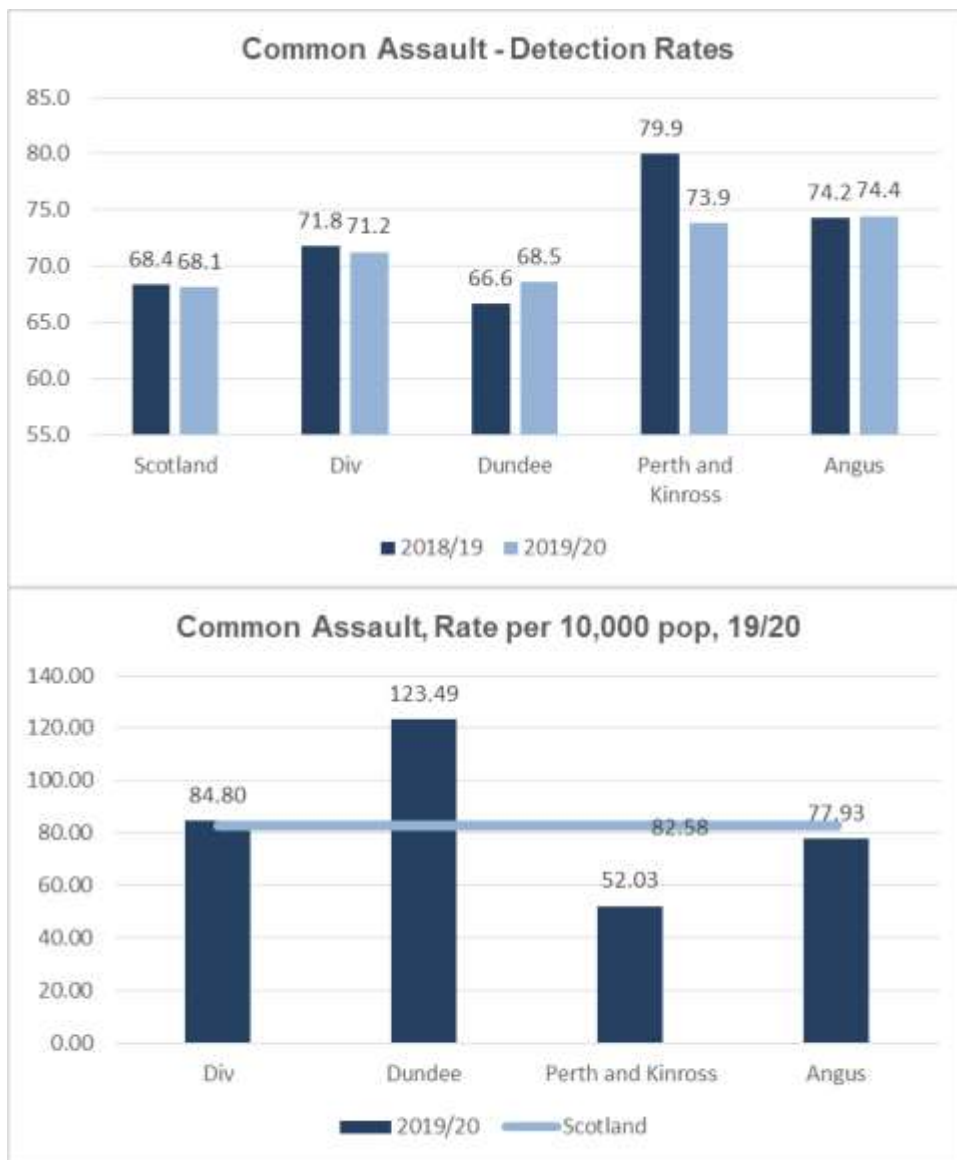
The festive period can often be two or three times busier than a standard month. It is positive that this year the festive period was comparable with any other standard month.

The community investigation unit which is based in the Hilltown Police Office and operates across Dundee, investigate 4 separate robberies, arresting and reporting 9 different individuals for a variety of crimes of violence including robbery.

Challenges

Trends suggest that the ratio of assaults in a private space as opposed to public space, continues to increase.





Outcome 2 – Antisocial Behaviour

The overall number of recorded Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) incidents in Dundee has reduced from last year. This is positive prevents matters from escalating and supports local communities.

Activity

Dedicated community officers in the respective areas deal with specific local issues working with partners to prevent or reduce the impact to individuals and the community.

This work is complement by the introduction of a Harm Reduction Hub based at Sinclair Street in Lochee. A sergeant and three police constables work in a co-located multi agency setting. Joint working and relationships to deal with a range of issues including ASB will continue to develop.

Community Wardens continue to be deployed in key areas for ASB and work closely with local officers. High visibility patrols and community engagement continues to proactively address issues and provide reassurance.

Operation Challenge in relation to ASB use of motorcycles continues to be implemented. Officers met with a local LCPP raising awareness of police activity, encouraging more involvement from partners.

One of the main areas where the bikes are used is around Clatto Park. Target hardening in the area in the form of barriers was encouraged which would allow dog walking but deter bikes. A leaflet is being designed and will be delivered to all residents in St Marys/Ardler/Kirkton areas. The LCPP are to pay for the leaflet which will be delivered by Police Scotland Youth Volunteers.

Results

Over the past three months, four males were identified for unlawfully using trials bikes. Three bikes have been seized and the males reported for 38 crimes, which included significant damage caused to Caird Park Golf Course.

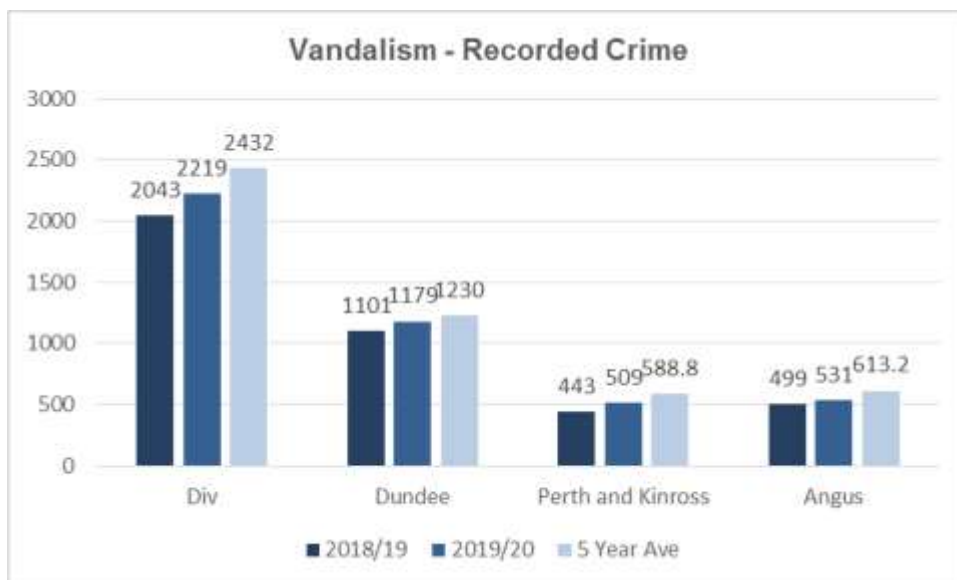
Community Officers have examined best practice across the country in relation to the bikes and attended Levenmouth for a briefing. Reassuringly we have been following the best practice.

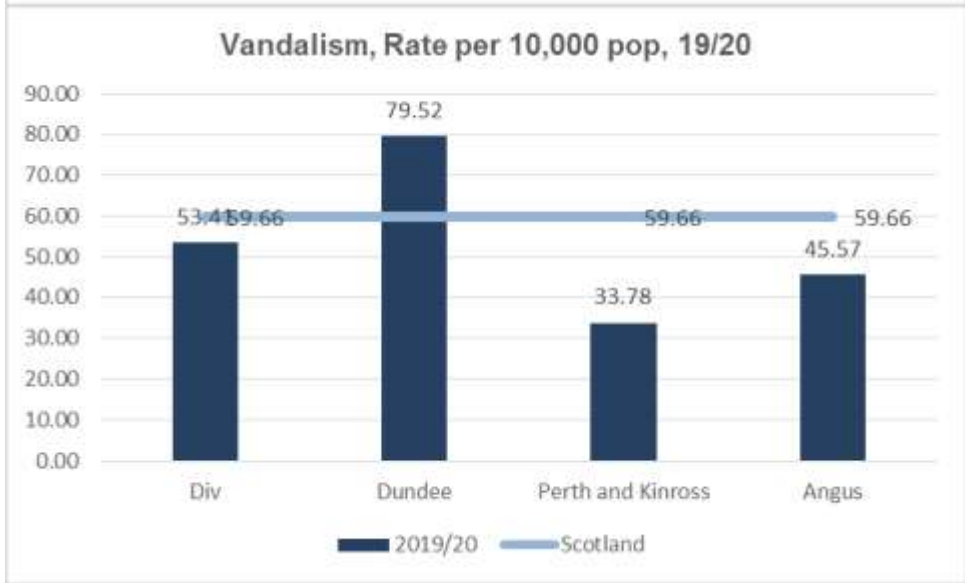
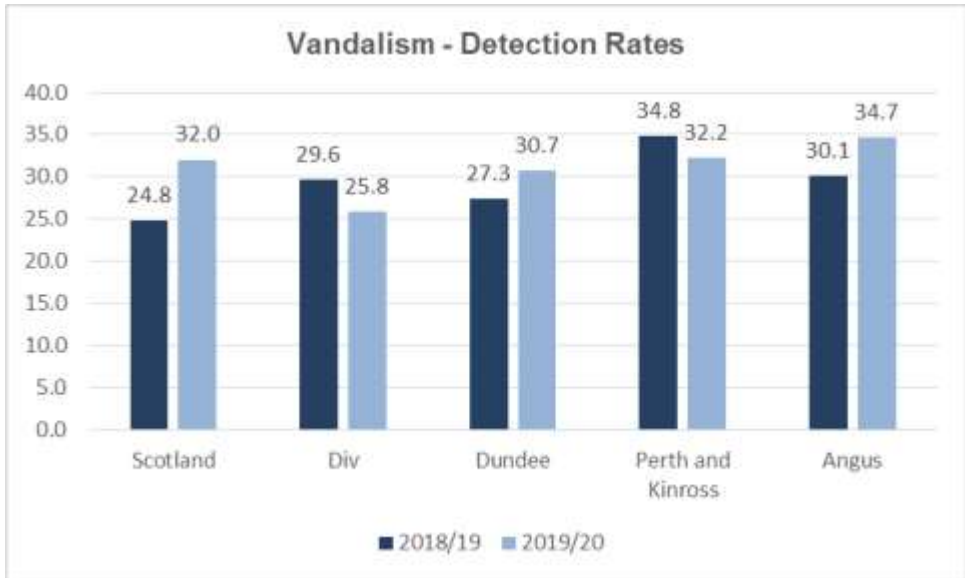
From activity and community involvement our intelligence picture has increased on who is using the bikes. This will be maintained. Social media was utilised to update the community on the activity which has been well received.

The number of vandalism recorded during the reporting period is 1179. Although higher than last year is still well below the five year average. The detection rate for these crimes sits at 30.7 % which is an increase of 3.4% on last year's figures. This takes considerable effort but reflects the importance the community place on their property being damaged.

Challenges

Although showing a welcome reduction in ASB the volume of incidents presents a considerable challenge to Police Scotland. A multi-agency and partnership response is required to deal with these incidents effectively, many of which do not constitute a crime.





Alcohol and Licencing

Local community officers and our licensing unit continue to work with both on and off sales premises to promote responsible drinking and effective management of premises.

Police Scotland work with partners to deter underage drinking and promote healthy lifestyles. Much of this work is coordinated by the Divisional Preventions Hub.

There are well established Centre and Ferry Safe Operations to support the night time economy.

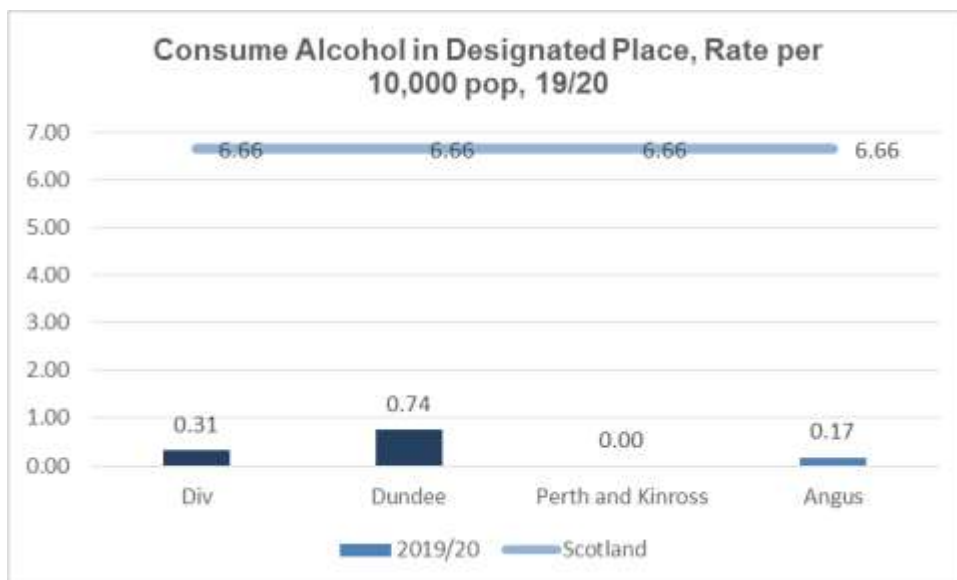
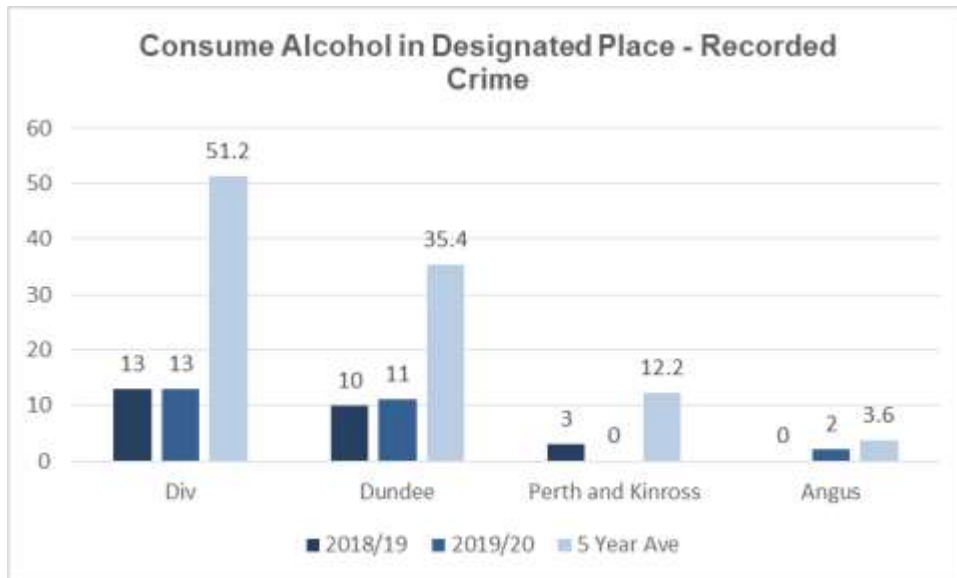
Consumption of alcohol in public places impacts minimally on policing.

However it should be noted that alcohol continues to be a contributory factor in a considerable number of crimes.

The Divisional Licensing have been busy during this quarter and carried out a number of deployments around Dundee.

These included several days of action with taxi drivers each month across the city. No licensing offences were detected. Following a report of alleged criminality in this period, Divisional Licensing attended and successfully presented before an Immediate Suspension Hearing.

In December Divisional Licensing worked with Dundee Officers as part of Operation Respectful and visited numerous licensed premises within the city to promote responsible behaviour and public safety during the festive season.



Outcome 3 – Acquisitive Crime

Robbery

Activity

Pro activity has been undertaken across the city to target those believed to be involved in crimes of this nature, this has included the prioritisation of warrant activity for those wanted on warrant. In addition regular checks have been carried out upon those who are subject to bail curfew conditions to ensure they are complying with conditions set by the courts.

Results

During this quarter 27 robberies have been recorded, this is a decrease on the last quarter, although numbers remains high in comparison to the year to date and 5 year average figures. Of this 27 crimes 18 have been detected. 7 of these crimes are assaults where there has been an intent to rob, but no property has been taken. Only a small number of these crimes have involved the use of weapons.

The volume of these instances places significant challenges for our investigative resources with many of the complex investigations being led by CID. Given the increase in instances of this crime type it can take longer for crimes of this nature to be fully investigated.

The detection rate remains low, but given the volume of these instances it is not unusual for investigations to take longer to progress.

3 of the 5 suspects have been identified for the city centre jeweller robbery earlier this year. These nominals are not from the Tayside area. Work continues to identify and trace the other two perpetrators. This investigations was led by CID and has involved liaison with a number of forces across the UK and use of specialist resources to gather forensics and carry out vehicle examinations and searches. In addition a significant amount of hours has been spent reviewing CCTV footage across the city.

3 commercial premises have been targeted for cash during this period. Two of these crimes have been detected to separate individuals. Enquiry continues into the third. Where appropriate a design out crime officer has been deployed to provide crime prevention advice to prevent repetition.

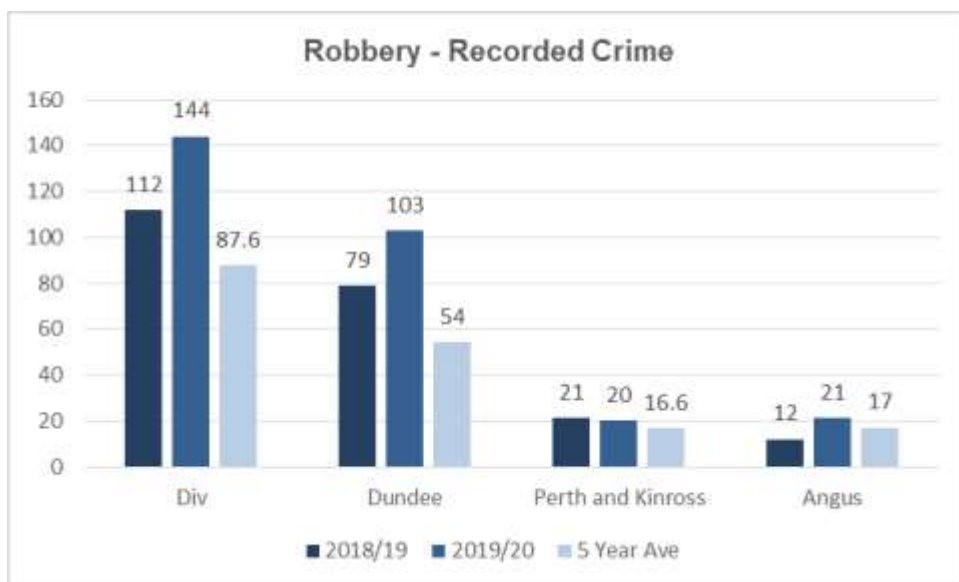
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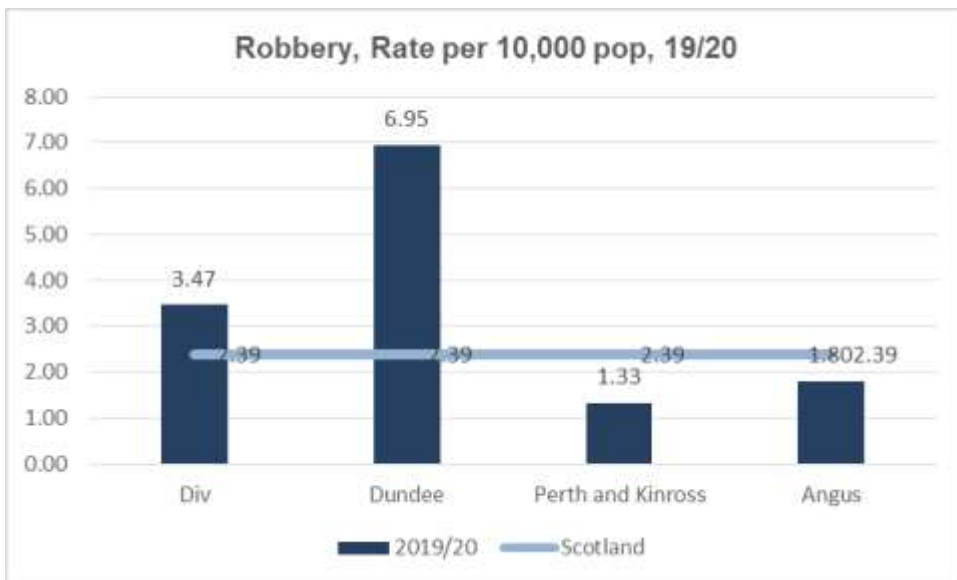
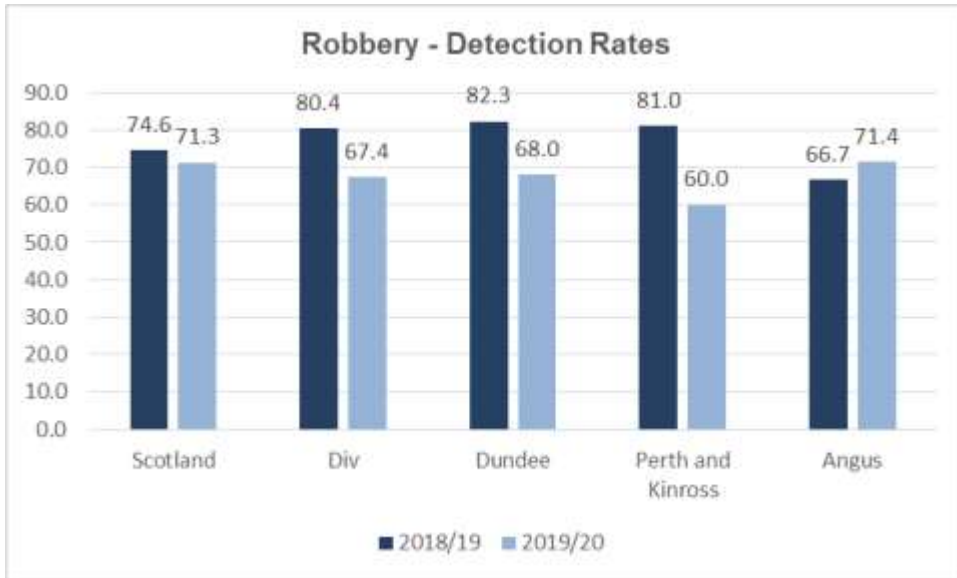
These investigations can be challenging as they are not always reported at the time, and victims and witnesses can be uncooperative for a number of reasons.

A large number of these crimes are opportunistic, and are not pre planned again making these challenging to prevent.

Many of the investigations have involved officers trained as CCTV co-ordinators who have managed the gathering of and reviewing of many hours of CCTV footage. This work is challenging due to the time it takes and often the poor quality of footage that requires to be reviewed to establish the circumstance of what has occurred whilst trying to identify those responsible.

Specialist support has also been obtained from the Scottish Police Authority, for a number of these instances, with direction being provided by officers who are trained as Crime Scene Managers to ensure all available evidence is gathered and submitted where appropriate to the Forensic Laboratory. A number of the crimes outstanding await results.





Domestic housebreaking / Sneak in Type Thefts

Activity

There continues to be a decrease in the rate of domestic housebreaking with 187 crimes recorded during the period which represents a reduction of 14.2 %. The detection rate is 21.9%.

The total number of housebreakings (including attempts) for the period has reduced from 374 recorded crimes to 321, this is a reduction of 14.2 % and has a detection rate of 31.8 %.

Police Scotland recognise the distress that this type of crime can have on families and the Community. Activity will continue to be focussed in this area policing.

In the run up to and during the festive period officers performed dedicated After Dark Patrols in

Identified key areas. Funding was also obtained for timer switches which were provided to residents

After Dark Leaflets with advice was delivered by community offices and Police Youth Volunteers.

Results

Effective work by the Community Investigation Unit lead to the arrest of a male for two Theft by Housebreaking at commercial business premises.

On another occasion a male and female were arrested for a Theft HB and seven Frauds. A further male was arrested for Theft by Housebreaking and a search of his home address recovered stolen property which implicated him in further crimes.

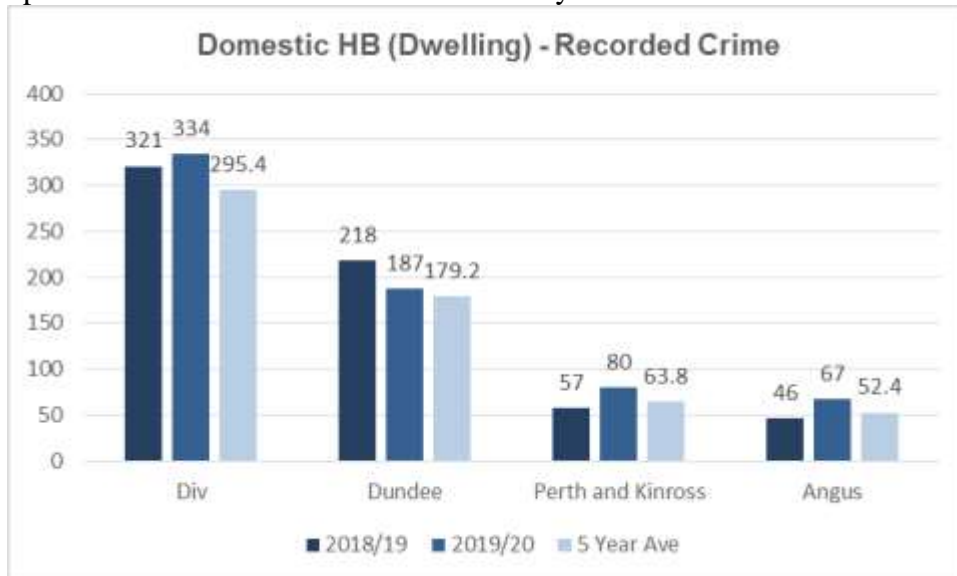
Scenes of crime and DNA analysis is an important aspect of these types of investigation. Appropriate consideration needs to be given of this in conjunction with conventional enquiries.

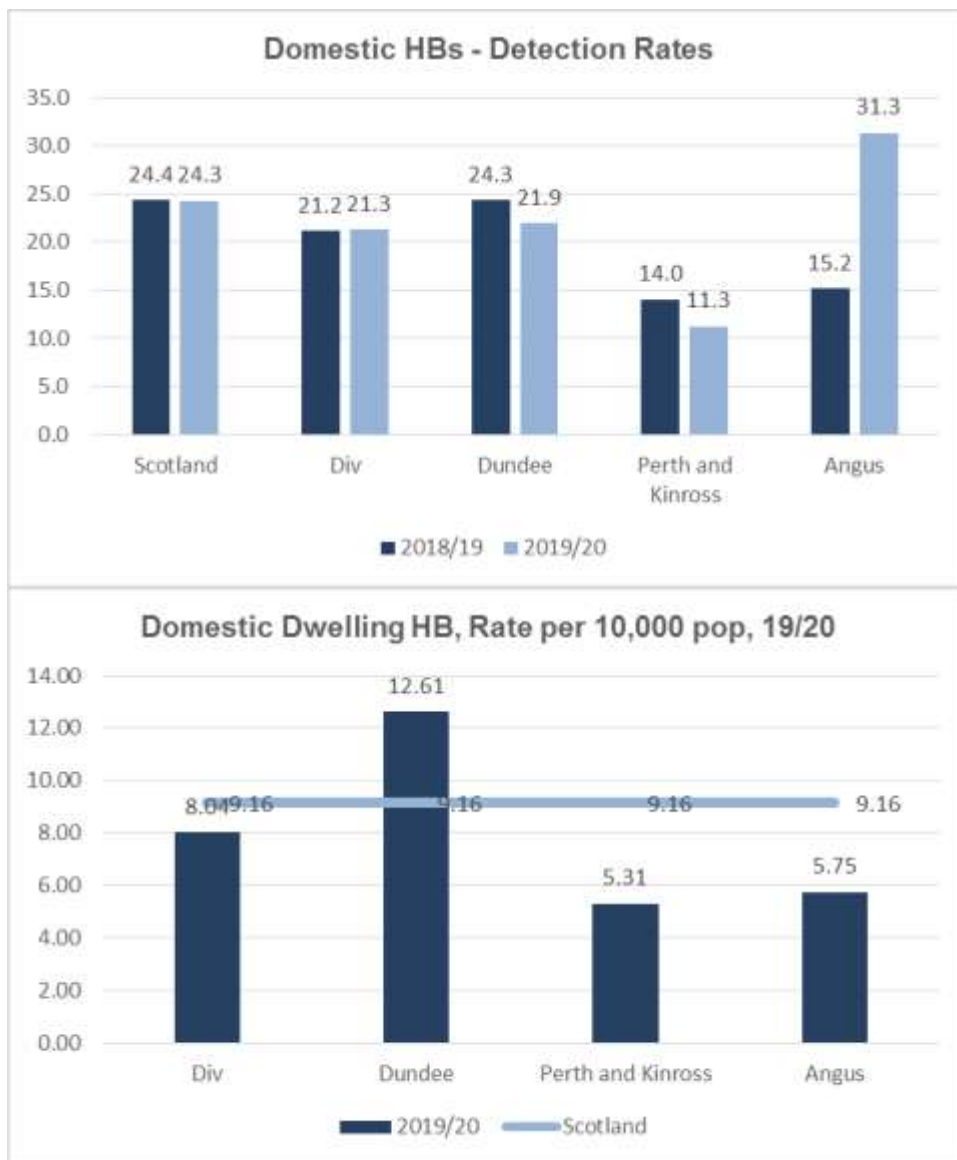
The outcomes of analysis gives regular important and often crucial identification for investigators.

To provide updates and reassurance regular results are passed by social media platforms and traditional press.

Challenges

Cross border issues and travelling criminals can pose a challenge. To help combat this activity there are regular meetings with partners and officers from other divisions, ensuring up to date information is shared and activity coordinated.





Motor Vehicle Crime

Activity

Overall vehicle crime in Dundee has increased considerably over the last year from 350 to 504 recorded crimes for this year. This is a rise of 44%. The detection rate for these offences is 30.8 %.

The largest proportion of these crimes relate to thefts of unattended property from within secure or unsecured vehicles.

A variety of crime prevention messages have been circulated by officers and via our media department encouraging members of the public not to leave valuable within their vehicles or on display.

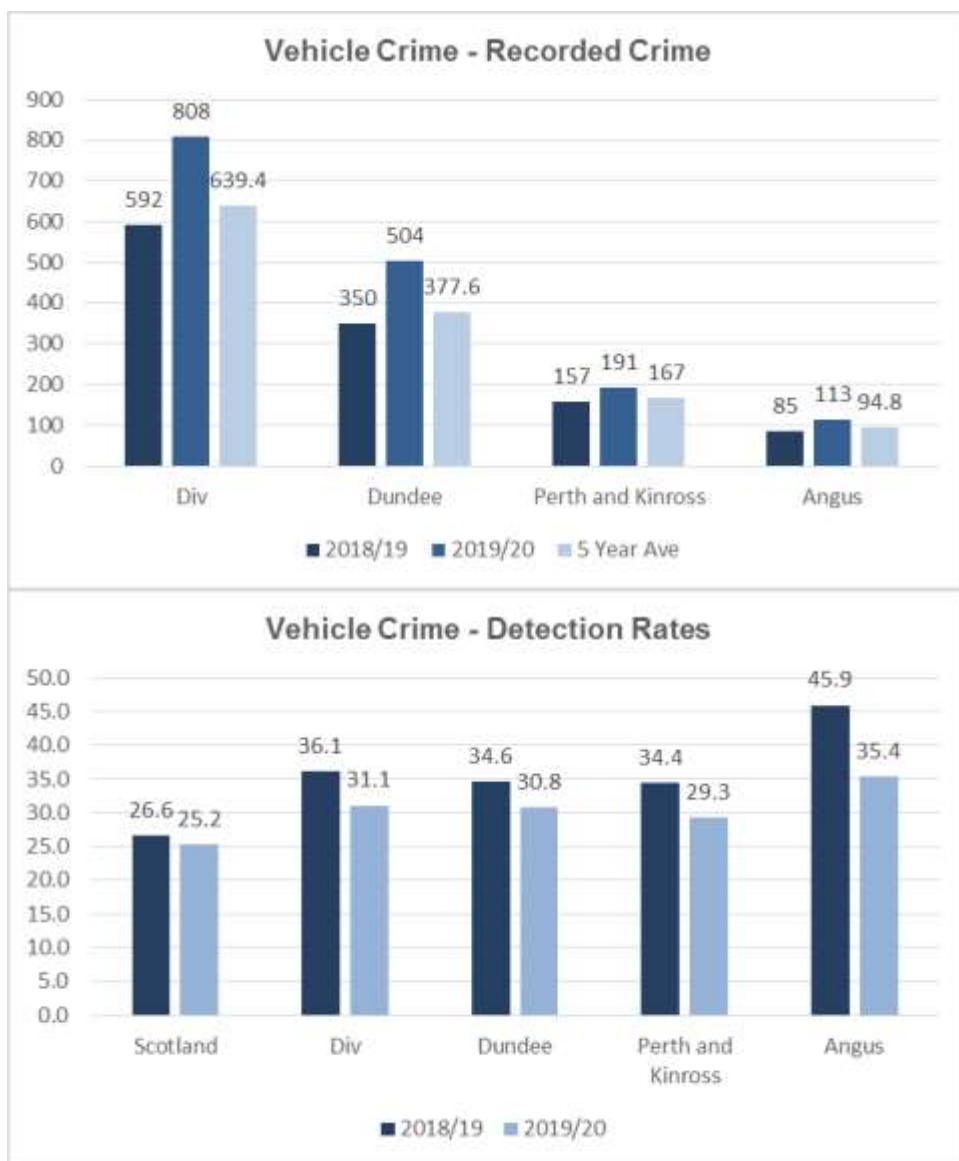
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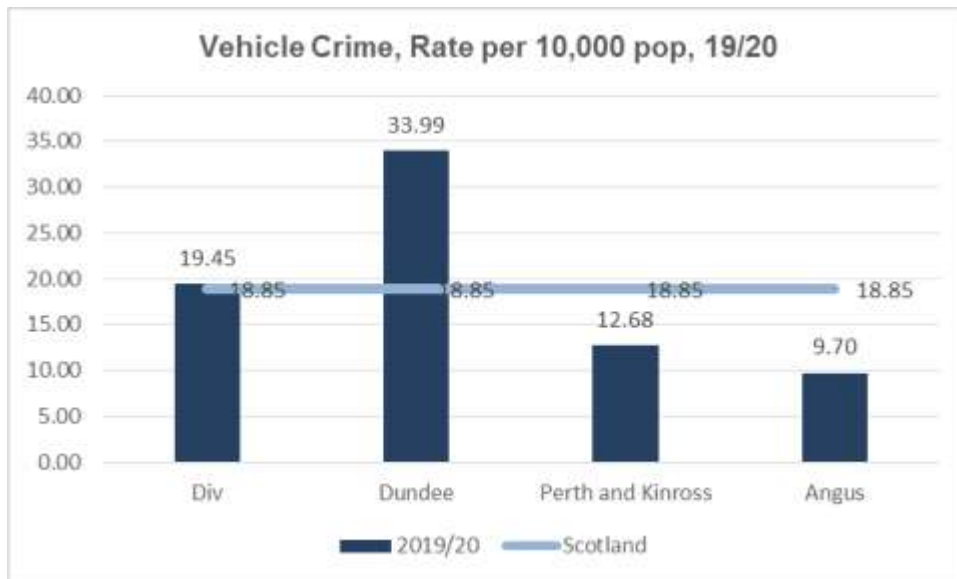
During the reporting period, officers continue to work in collaboration to detect offences and deter offending. Much of this work is led by the dedicated Community Investigation Unit with a number of positive results.

Following enquiry a male was identified, arrested and kept in custody; charged with seven separate counts of Theft by Opening Lockfast Place (OLP) to motor vehicles.
 On another occasion a male was identified by DNA for being responsible for a series of crimes including Theft (OLP) to motor vehicles and housebreakings. This male was subsequently remanded in custody.

Challenges

Persons responsible for this type of acquisitive crime are often active in a variety of others. This can prove challenging but in these circumstance officers take an investigative and preventative approach tailored to the individual as opposed to the crime type





Theft by Shoplifting

Activity

The city wide action plan, to identify repeat locations and target repeat offenders remains in place.

During the festive safety campaign there was dedicated activity throughout the city and in the main shopping and retail areas.

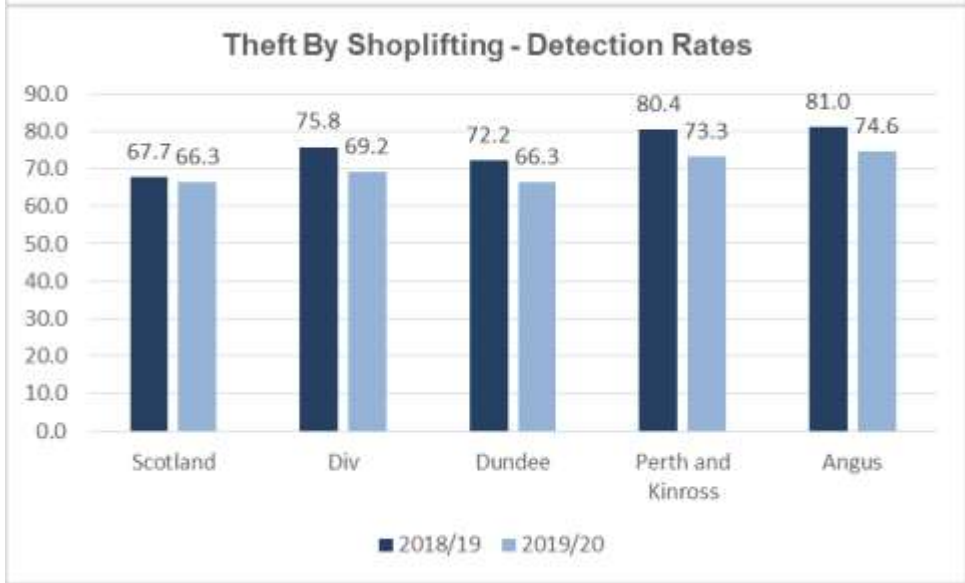
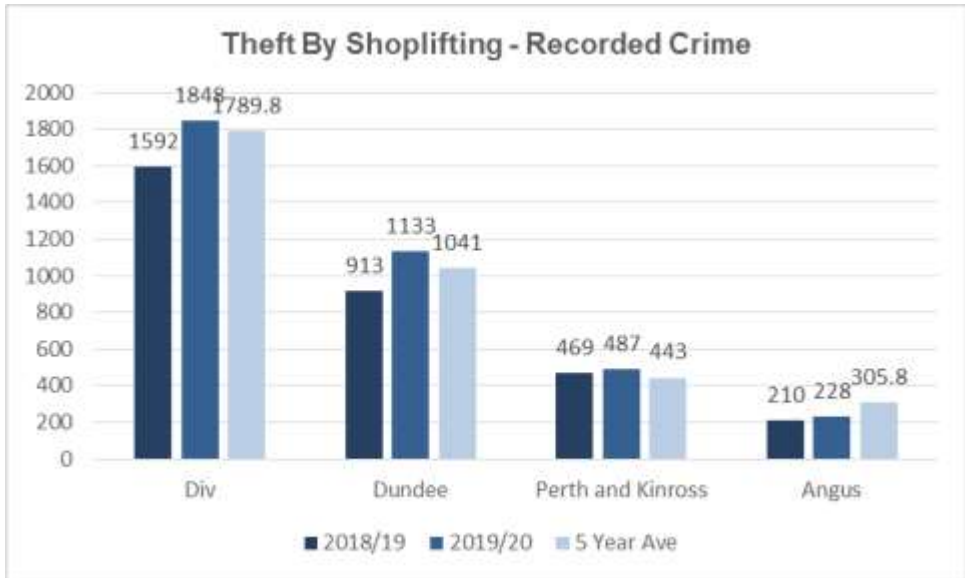
There is often a spike in dishonesties over the festive period. However, both of the above operations impacted positively on this area of policing effectively negating any increase and showing an actual decrease over the festive period.

Results

Over the reporting period Theft by Shoplifting has increased by 220 crimes; from 913 recorded crimes last year to 1133 for this year. This is an increase of 220 crimes and 24%. The detection rate for these offences is 66.3%.

Challenges

The volume of crime committed provides a considerable demand on local policing and work is ongoing with retailers to target harden premises.



Fraud

Activity

There continues to be a sharp rise in the number of frauds reported, these crimes take many forms and include online activity, telephone scams, banking transfers, purchase of vouchers and bogus callers.

Local officers and the Divisional Prevention Hub continue to work with financial institutions through the established banking protocol.

Community Officers, Community wardens, Trading Standards in partnership with others continue to provide advice and reassurance to individuals and leaflet drops to areas more at risk.

Officers attended the Abertay Retirement Homes conference. 90 elderly persons were in attendance and were given an educational input on scamming and how to stay safe. This was delivered in the form of a scenario session.

The Division and the Local Policing are in the process of identifying Fraud Champions with a view to increasing awareness, improve investigations and coordinate activity.

Results

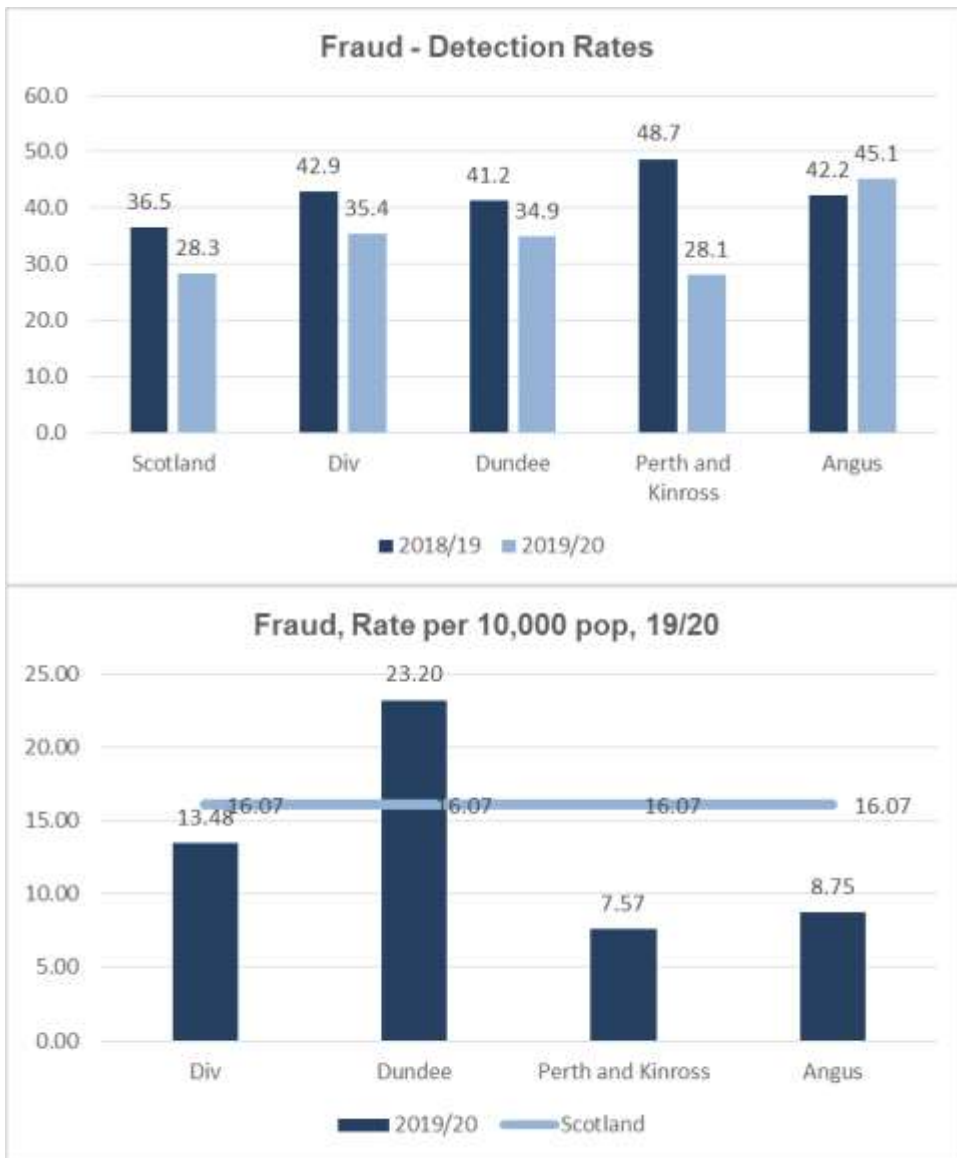
Frauds have risen to 344 in comparison to 228 for the year to date figure. This is a further increase from the 5 year average figure. This is an increase of 116 crimes from last year.

The detection is at 34.9 which although down on last year has improved in the last quarter.

Challenges

Frauds can be a complex area of business by their very nature, online aspects of reporting add to the difficulties in this area and overall this contributes to the already increased levels of reporting.





Protecting vulnerable people

Outcome 1 – Drug Misuse - Possession of drugs

Activity

For the third quarter there were 336 recorded crimes. This gives an overall number of 1015 individual drugs possessions in the city. This is a rise of 1.9 %.

Although a relatively modest percentage increase, the overall number is high and perhaps best put into context as last year's figures contained Operation Fundamental returns.

Proactive work continues throughout the city with local officers dealing with those being suspected of being in possession of controlled drugs.

Police Scotland recognise that drug misuse impacts on individuals, their families and community. This is also reflected in the work of the Dundee Drugs Commission in which Police are a partner.

To support this work a Harm Reduction Hub has been set up in Sinclair Street, Lochee. Police Scotland have committed a Sgt and 3 police officers to this work. This is a co-located hub with partners and play a key role in ongoing work on the Non-Fatal Overdose pathway established with partners.

Results

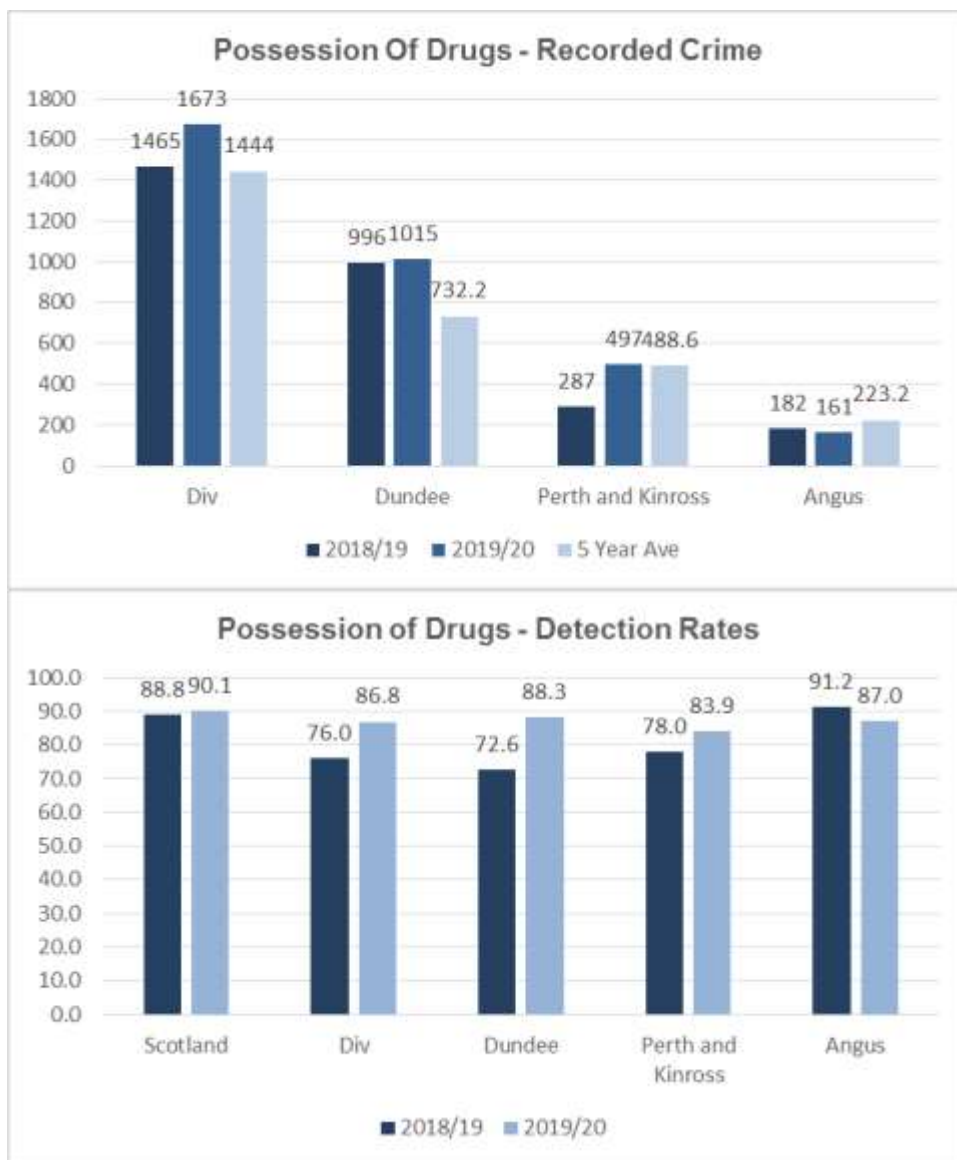
Significant policing activity is carried out to tackle this issue involving both uniformed and plain clothed officers.

In October 2019, Dundee Local Policing Area conducted a violence reduction operation, which resulted in considerable seizures of controlled drugs which included 27.5 g of heroin, quantities of cocaine and cannabis. £10000 in cash was also seized as proceeds of crime. The results of this operation were shared with the community via the press and social media platforms.

The operation also signposted persons to support services.

Challenges

Drug related deaths continue to occur within our communities, which is indicative of the levels of abuse with the City. Analysis shows that more than one type of drug is regularly abused.



Drug Misuse - Supply of drugs

Activity

Every opportunity is taken to gather and develop intelligence to tackle those involved in the supply of controlled drugs in the city.

Officers regularly apply for and execute search warrants to target those involved in the supply. Much of this information is obtained by community officers from the local community. Police Scotland need everyone's help in this regard.

In October 2019, a violence reduction operation, delivered by local officers resulted in seizures and persons being arrested for being concern in supply of drugs.

Results

In the last quarter, 31 persons were arrested and charged for being concerned in the supply of controlled drugs in the city.

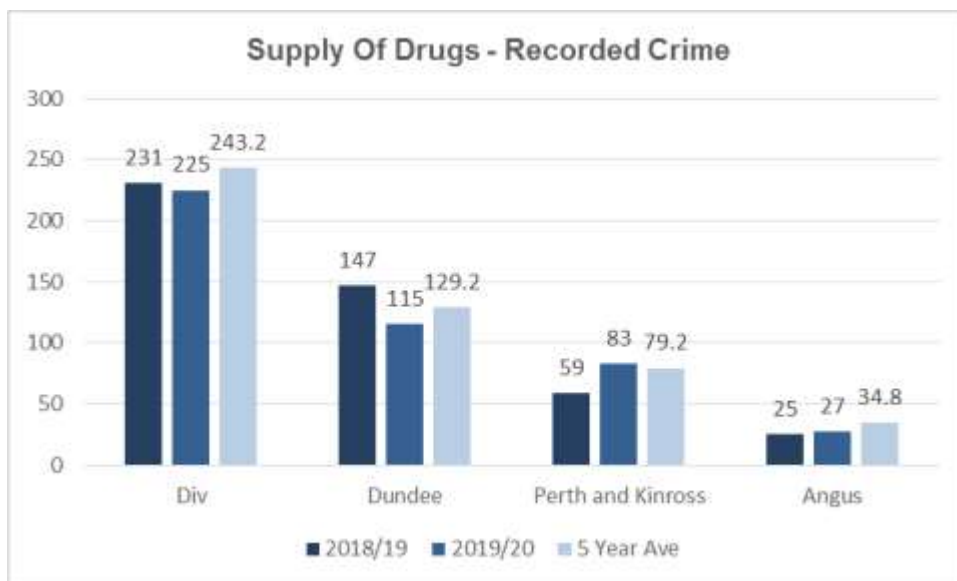
Overall, for the year to date, 115 crimes reports have been recorded for being concerned in the supply of controlled drugs. The detection rate for these offences is 92.2 %

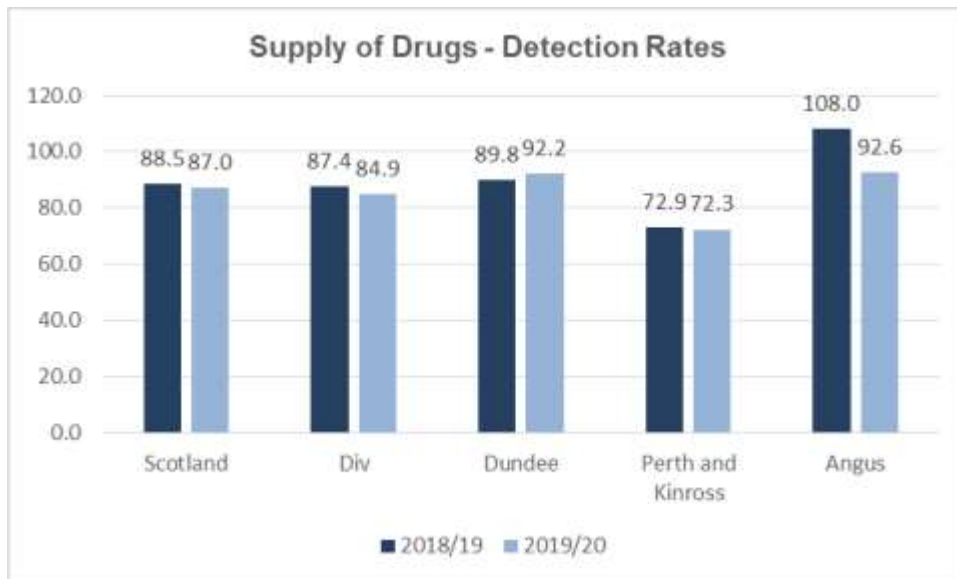
Challenges

Work is ongoing to raise awareness of County Line and Cuckooing activities which presents a challenge to the city and preys on the most vulnerable.

An increase in some violent crime types and carrying of offensive weapons can also be attributed to County Line and Cuckooing activity.

Police Scotland will relentlessly pursue individuals or groups involved in this activity.





Outcome 2 –Exploitation

The Division has been working with the National Human Trafficking team to monitor the impact of Operation Filibeg, designed to identify and disrupt the trafficking of Vietnamese nationals in Scotland. Two Vietnamese nationals have been identified in Dundee however it has been established that Dundee has not been the primary location into which they have been trafficked or exploited. They have arrived in the city to keep them safe having sought support from local and national organisations.

Online Sexual Crime

Nationally and internationally, the risk of online sexual crime is on the rise. This trend in recorded crime is also seen locally.

However discussions are ongoing about the robustness of current crime recording systems having the ability to produce meaningful problem profiles. It is clear however that rising recorded crime is due to increases in cyber enabled offending, and at particular risk are children and young people.

The Scottish Government has recently published a report from the Expert Group on Preventing Sexual Offending Involving Children and Young People, which highlights that more understanding is needed to understand in clearer terms what preventions and awareness raising activities are effective.

Angus, Dundee and Perth and Kinross Councils have already collaborated on this issue and under the guise of the Children's Services Collaborative have commissioned training for first responders and other professionals, commissioned research from further educational establishments and launched a programme of social media based and face to face training programmes for young people, parents and professionals.

The policing Division has created an online sexual crime team who provide an expertise and deal with intelligence packages received about subjects who access Indecent Images of

Children along with responding to OCAG groups, who have targeted subjects in Tayside and live streamed visits online.

Officers are seconded to this team from local policing areas to ensure knowledge is returned to local policing.

Outcome 3 –Hate Crime

Activity

A proactive approach is taken to hate crime in order to make sure that it is recognised and addressed properly. Incidents that are found to be non-criminal but are perceived to be motivated by hate are recorded. All hate related information is analysed to identify recurring trends or issues. After consideration an appropriate intervention is identified and implemented.

All hate related incidents are reviewed on a daily basis. This allows for best practice to be established and opportunities for partnership working to be utilised. It also helps build up a picture of the hate crime landscape for Tayside which is essential in planning an approach.

1. Local events have been held to increase public hate crime / incident awareness and third party reporting centres.
2. Survey with the LGBT community to assess hate crime awareness and address reluctance to report.
3. Evaluation of local third party reporting centres to establish best practice and training needs.
4. Evaluation of current Keep Safe places to establish any training needs or support required.
5. National Hate Crime Campaign is scheduled for Saturday 2nd March for four weeks. This will be supported by local activity in Tayside Division.
6. Increased partnership working to establish the best working practice with regards to the Gypsy/Traveller community.

Challenges

1. Local events have been held to increase public hate crime / incident awareness and third party reporting centres. Survey with the LGBT community to assess hate crime awareness and address reluctance to report.
2. Evaluation of local third party reporting centres to establish best practice and training needs.

A survey is being released in January 2020 for all existing Third Party Reporting Centres. This will allow an understanding on the current profile. Training and the need for new materials will be addressed. The challenge is that the local Third Party Reporting Centres

have not been supported for the past 18 month period. This will mean a lot of work locally to bring these establishments up to the desired level of competence.

3. Evaluation of current Keep Safe places to establish any training needs of support required.

No anticipated challenges.

4. National Hate Crime Campaign is scheduled for March 2nd for four weeks.

No anticipated challenges.

5. Increased partnership working to establish the best working practice with regards to the Gypsy / Traveller community.

Results

1. Local events have been held to increase public hate crime / incident awareness and third party reporting centres.

Police Scotland took ownership of a stall at a large scale event within the Caird Hall. This focused on disability and was well attended. The message from the staff in attendance and information available from the stall was to raise hate crime awareness and support reporting.

Police Scotland led three hate crime awareness events at Dundee University, including have a coffee with a copper morning held at the student services. The message for all was to raise hate crime awareness. Staff at the student services were also trained in hate crime awareness.

Other supported events include Holocaust Memorial Day (January 27th 2020) with Police attending various organised events across Tayside. Material relating to this campaign and hate crime have been shared with education leads at all three councils. This material promotes hate crime awareness and supports non Police forums available to report hate incidents.

All PSVY groups have been trained in hate crime awareness. All members are now equipped with the knowledge to identify hate crime and report this on various different platforms.

2. Evaluation of local third party reporting centres to establish best practice and training needs.

Results of a student project in to Tayside based Third Party Reporting Centres is being finalised by third year pupils at Dundee University.

A survey has been sent to all existing Third Party Reporting Centres to establish best practice and training needs. A report will be formulated with these findings and that from the student project.

Third Party reporting training was delivered to staff at the student services, Dundee University.

All of these results will allow a structured approach by Police Scotland in respect of any identified issues.

3. Evaluation of current Keep Safe places to establish any training needs or support required.

All Tayside based Keep Safe premises have been contacted and materials and refresher training supported. Joint working programs with Advocating Together and The Centre for Inclusive Living have assisted in the Keep Safe scheme locally. These partnerships will continue with a view of maintaining this initiative.

4. National Hate Crime Campaign Monday 2nd March 2020 for four weeks.

Planning for this event which is focused on disability hate crime. Research to establish a further third party reporting centre in each area is underway. There will be Police led events throughout Tayside to address hate crime awareness, reporting methods and various other promotions of the campaign.

5. Increase partnership working to establish the best working practice with regards to the Gypsy / Traveller community.

The Gypsy / Traveller Focus Group has had its second meeting. There is a plan to develop an information leaflet to help develop a consistent and appropriate approach to encampments. A benefit of this process is to increase understanding of all involved and facilitate positive outcomes for both travellers and landowners. The leaflet and accompanying interaction will be distributed across all three council areas.

Maintaining public safety

Outcome 1 – Road Safety

Activity

During the period under review Tayside Division have implemented a fresh approach in response to Road Safety. Our efforts will be coordinated under the principles of Operation CEDAR (Challenge, Educate, Detect and Reduce), a road safety scheme which has been successfully delivered in both the north east of Scotland and the Highlands and Islands. CEDAR will build on established road safety practices and provide a focus for agencies across Tayside to work together to make our roads safer for all.

Operation CEDAR

The principles of Operation CEDAR will be applied in the following ways across Tayside, linked to priority areas of focus:

Challenge	Build effective partnership working and methods to develop new and innovative ways to improve road safety. Improve information sharing and analysis to support an evidence-led approach
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Educate	Deliver and evaluate educational initiatives to driver and road user behaviour, making effective use of media opportunities to highlight CEDAR and the work of the forum
Detect	Provide an intelligence-led and multi-agency approach to enforcement, supported by analytical products, to make the best use of available resources
Reduce	Ensure all road safety education, engineering and enforcement activity is focused on having the maximum positive impact on reducing the number of people killed and seriously injured

The implementation of Operation CEDAR across Tayside and delivery of our Action Plan provides an opportunity to contribute to a consistent approach across the north of Scotland. It will refocus our efforts to further improve safety on Tayside's roads and promote active travel.

Tragically there has one fatality in Dundee LPA for the period under review whereby a 78 year old female was struck by a car on Glamis road, Dundee and unfortunately succumb to her injuries.

Road Safety enforcement continues to be carried out as part of routine business by the Road Policing Unit in Dundee LPA. Focused patrol work will be complemented by the use of available technology and databases, intelligence target packages and specific tasking resulting from local Tasking & Coordinating processes to tackle criminality. Local Policing and RPU Officers have been able to target driving behaviour which we believe will have the greatest impact on casualty reduction and address community concerns. Enforcement activity has concentrated on a wide range of driving behaviours including dangerous/careless driving, drink/drug driving to name but a few.

No children were seriously or fatally injured during this period under review within the LPA.

Based on strategic assessment a number of priority locations have been identified within in Dundee which were subject to focussed operation activity.

Results

For the period under review a total of 5993 vehicles were stopped in the Tayside division with a number of offences being detected and reported whilst a number of offenders were warned in respect of other road traffic contraventions.

There were 11 serious road traffic collisions whereby the injured persons were all adults.

Challenges

Police resources are being challenged by the driving habits of vulnerable road users. However, we are committed to working effectively with partners locally to address these issues through education, enforcement, engineering, encouragement and evaluation all of which are delivered successfully through a number of mediums and campaigns.

Speeding

During the period under review, speeding offences in Dundee LPA overall have decreased by 32.8%. This is attributable to the focused operational activity on not only the priority routes but also focused patrols on routes which are deemed to have speeding issues and have been identified through a number of community based engagements.

Activity

Between 9 November 2019 and 15 November 2019 Police Scotland held The Speed, seatbelt and mobile Phone campaign which had dedicated officers from both the Road Policing Unit, Safety camera Unit and divisional officers who specifically targeted road users who contravene legislation.

Effective use of the media to raise awareness and to actively the encourage changes in driving attitudes and behaviour.

Results

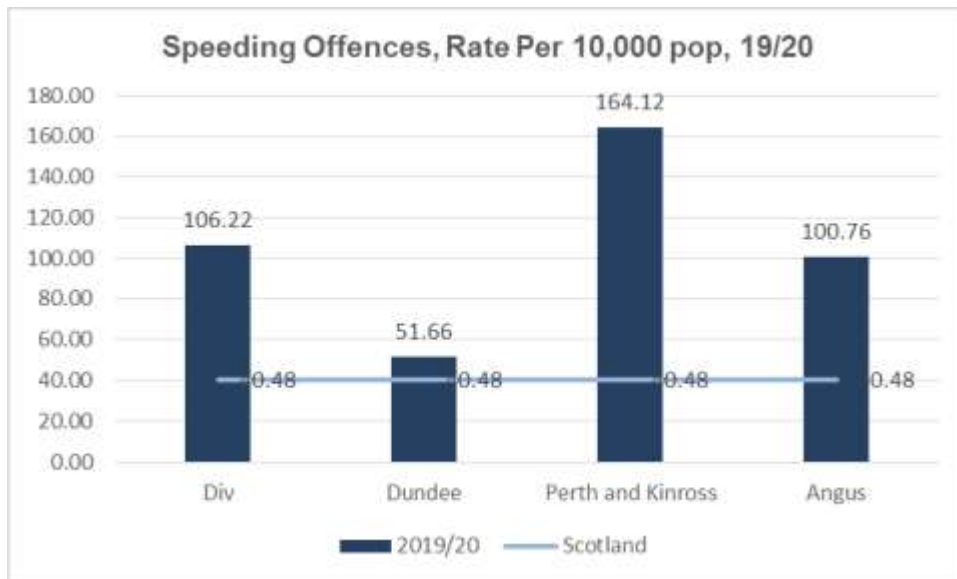
During this period under review 766 speeding offences were detected in Dundee LPA, however the worst offender being 67mph in 40 limit where enquiry still ongoing to trace driver.

Challenges

Police resources are being challenged by an increasing number of complaints received in relation to road users exceeding the speed limit. As a result of any complaint Police will carry out a percentile speed check to establish if there is indeed an issue.

Unfortunately a vast number of these checks highlight the perception of speed is the issue rather than road users exceeding the speed limit. The perception of speed can also be attributed to modified vehicles which are significantly louder than a standard motor vehicle.





Drink, Drug offences including failure to provide specimen of breath

During the period under review, Drink, Drug offences in Dundee LPA overall has increased by 25.3% compared to the same period of last year.

Activity

Between 1st December 2019 and 2nd January 2020, Police Scotland held The Festive Drink & Drug Drive Campaign which saw dedicated officers from both the Road Policing Unit and divisional officers specifically target road users who drive whilst under the influence.

Focus was not only targeting offenders driving immediately after consuming alcohol or drugs, but also focusing on offender’s drive the morning after being under the influence.

Effective use of the media to raise awareness and to actively the encourage changes in driving attitudes and behaviour. A number of media appeals were released throughout the duration of the Campaign.

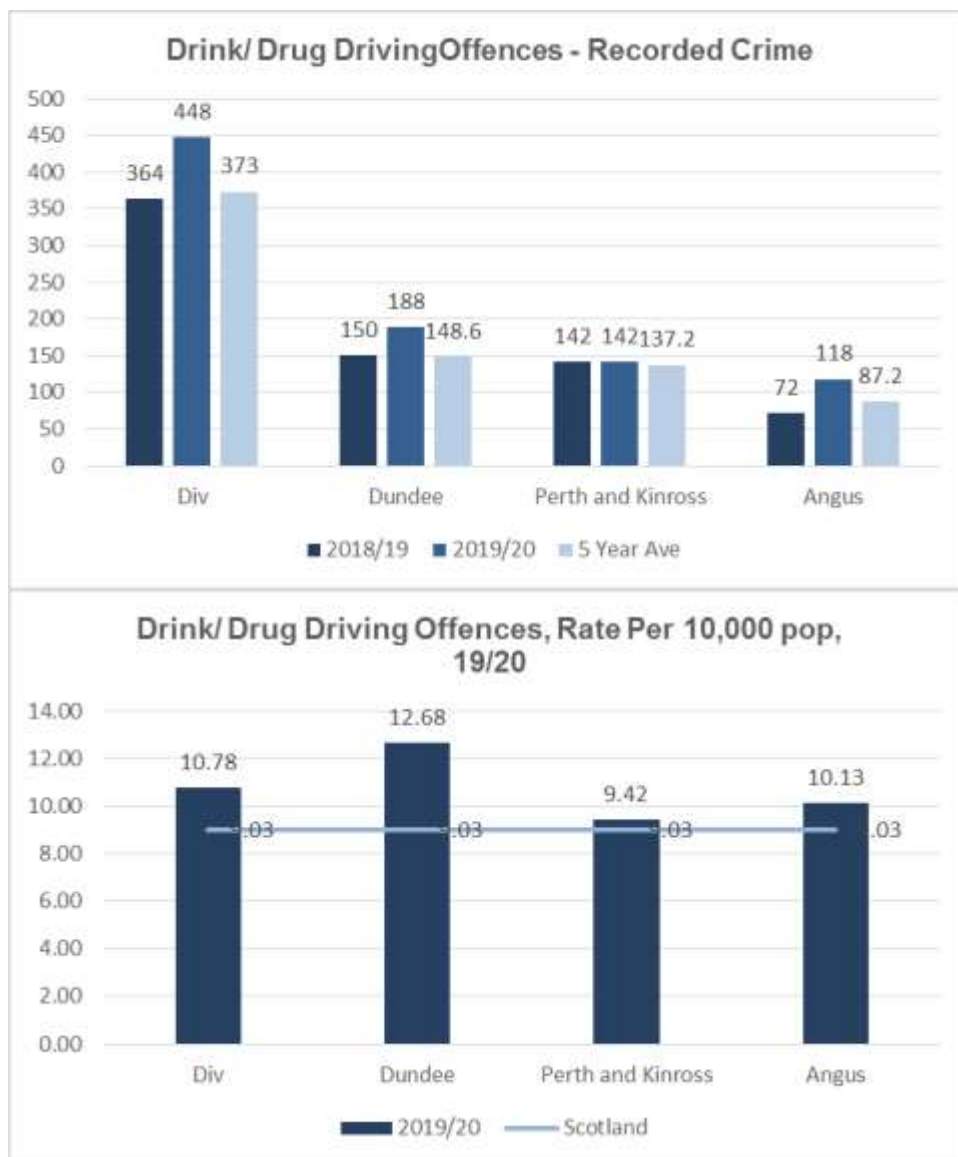
The new drug wipe testing kit featured heavily in the media and was prevalent throughout the duration of this campaign, it will continue to be an exceptionally effective tool in the continual fight against impaired driving.

Results

During the period under review Tayside Division excelled with a total 2270 breath specimens recorded throughout the Division, a total of 60 drink/drug drive offences detected within Dundee LPA which were reported to the Procurator fiscal for the consideration of prosecution. It should be noted these figure include drivers who failed to provide a specimen for analysis.

Challenges

Considering the analytical data which highlights a 25.3% increase for the period under review compared to 2018/19 for the same period is concerning. Irrespective of Police campaigns and reinforcement through varying mediums, evidence suggests the message does not appear to be hitting home and road users are continuing to drive whilst under the influence which is completely unacceptable



Mobile phones

During the period under review mobile phone offences in Dundee LPA have had a significant decrease of 39.6%.

Increased police patrols accompanied by numerous media campaigns which have highlighted the dangers of using a mobile device whilst driving a motor vehicle.

Positive Policing measures and public awareness of the dangers of utilising a mobile phone whilst driving are evident. It should be borne in mind when considering analytical data for the period under review, this figure is also significantly below the 5 year average.

Activity

Between 9 November 2019 and the 15 November 2019 Police Scotland held a Speed, Seatbelt and Mobile Phone Campaign which saw dedicated officers from both the Road Policing Unit, Safety camera Unit and division specifically target road users who contravene legislation.

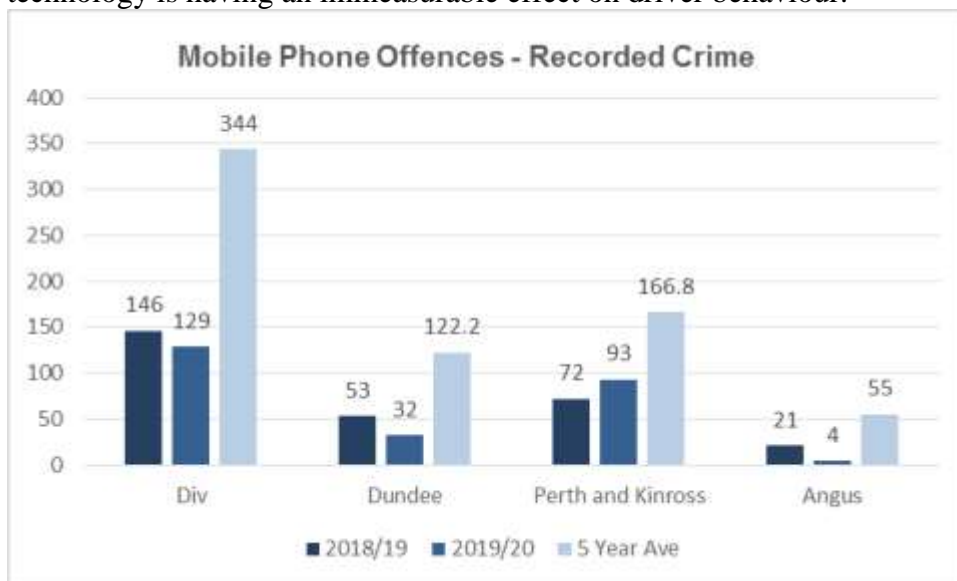
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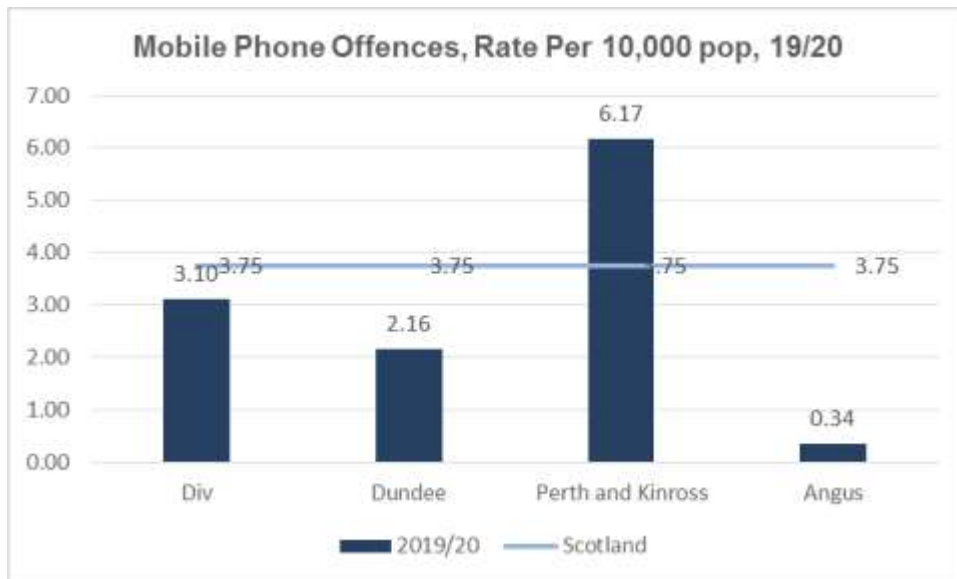
Results

During the period under review 32 offenders were detected and reported to the Procurator Fiscal for consideration.

Challenges

It is clear through enforcement, education and media campaigns especially in the pre-driver and drivers between the ages of 17-25 category the message is having the required impact which is preventing contraventions. It is also evident that excellent advancements in technology is having an immeasurable effect on driver behaviour.





Seatbelts:

During the period under review seatbelt offences in Dundee LPA have had a 17.11% increase compared to the same for the period 2018/19.

Activity

The rise can be attributed to the Speed, Seatbelt and Mobile Phone Campaign which was held between 9 November 2019 and the 15 November 2019. This campaign involved dedicated officers from both the Road Policing Unit, Safety camera Unit and division specifically target road users who contravene legislation.

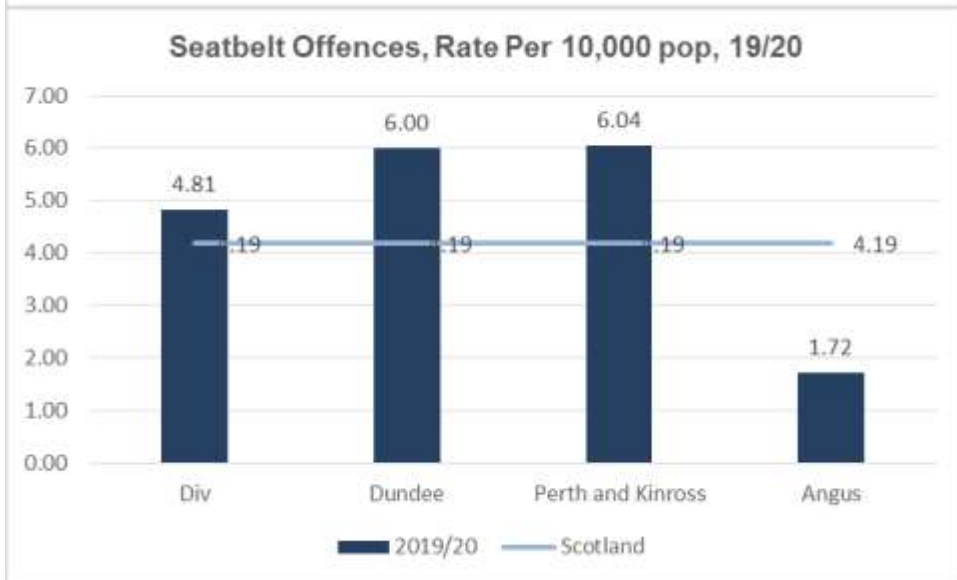
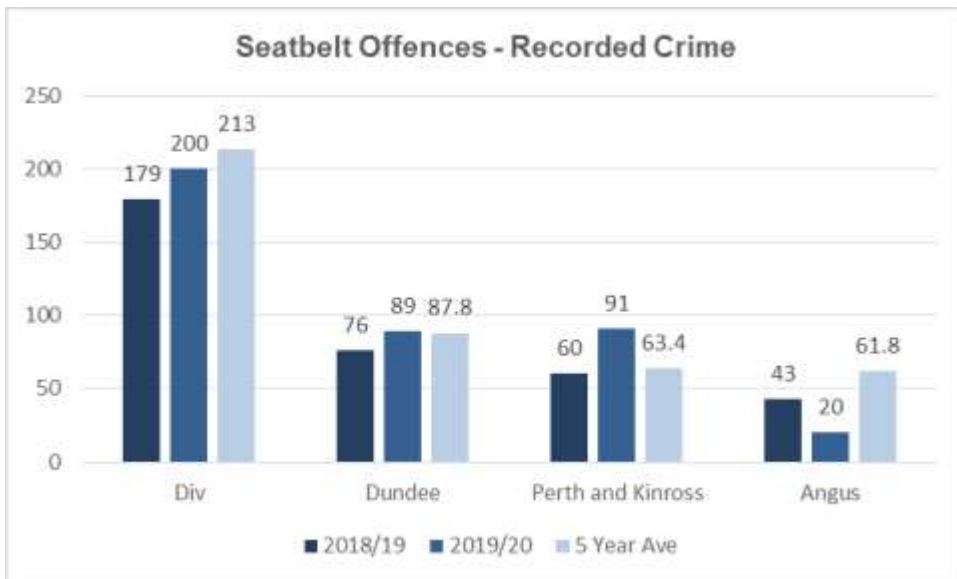
Effective use of the media to raise awareness and to actively the encourage changes in driving attitudes and behaviour.

Results

For the period under review 89 seatbelt offences have been detected in Dundee LPA which is an increase compared to the previous year for the same period.

Challenges

Overall in Tayside Division similar to mobile phone offences the dangers of failing to wear a seatbelt is being accepted. Years of rigorous enforcement and numerous media campaigns highlighting the consequences are very impactful on modern day road users resulting in a high rate of people buckling up.



Outcome 2 – Events

Police Scotland provide support in relation to a large number of events, including football, across Tayside Division.

The overarching aim in relation to these events is to work with and in support of event organisers to ensure they are safe, secure and successful.

This is achieved through meticulous planning by Event Commanders who are supported by a Divisional Planning Team. Meetings are held with event organisers in advance and during the event, and also during the operational deployment on the day of the event.

As well as the foregoing safety aspects, Police are often present at events to ensure, where necessary, the activation of a contingency plan and thereafter the coordination of the resulting emergency services response.

There have been a significant number of football matches within Dundee that have been supported by Police including Dundee United vs Partick in October, Dundee vs Dunfermline in December and the Dundee Derby, which occurred twice this quarter. Each match continues to be categorised and assessed to ensure a proportionate Police response is provided.

Other key events within the quarter requiring a significant Policing presence were the Fireworks displays at Baxter Park and Lochee Park, Remembrance Day Parade, Reclaim the Night parade and Christmas Light switch on events in City Square and Broughty Ferry. Police also supported the general election with visits to Polling Stations and high profile politician visits.

The continued advanced planning and work with partners ensures events in Dundee pass safely and generally without incident.

Outcome 3 – CONTEST

Within the last quarter there has been a variety of work conducted in Dundee in relation to the CONTEST strategy which included:

- Engagement with all D Division MP's by Counter Terrorism Liaison Officer in relation to security measures when within home Constituency areas.
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- CONTEST briefing for PSYV coordinators in Dundee.
- All Election Candidates contacted by Counter Terrorism Liaison Officer as part of election security.
- CT Governance group meeting within Police HQ with representatives from all D Division Police Scotland 'strands' of CONTEST.

- CONTEST and safety briefing to 300 secondary school pupils at an armed forces/civilian services career event as part of a joint Tayside and Fife initiative.
- Marauding Terrorist Attack response briefing for non-specialist responders delivered to D Division Community officers.
- CONTEST and current threat briefing to all D Division Community Police officers.

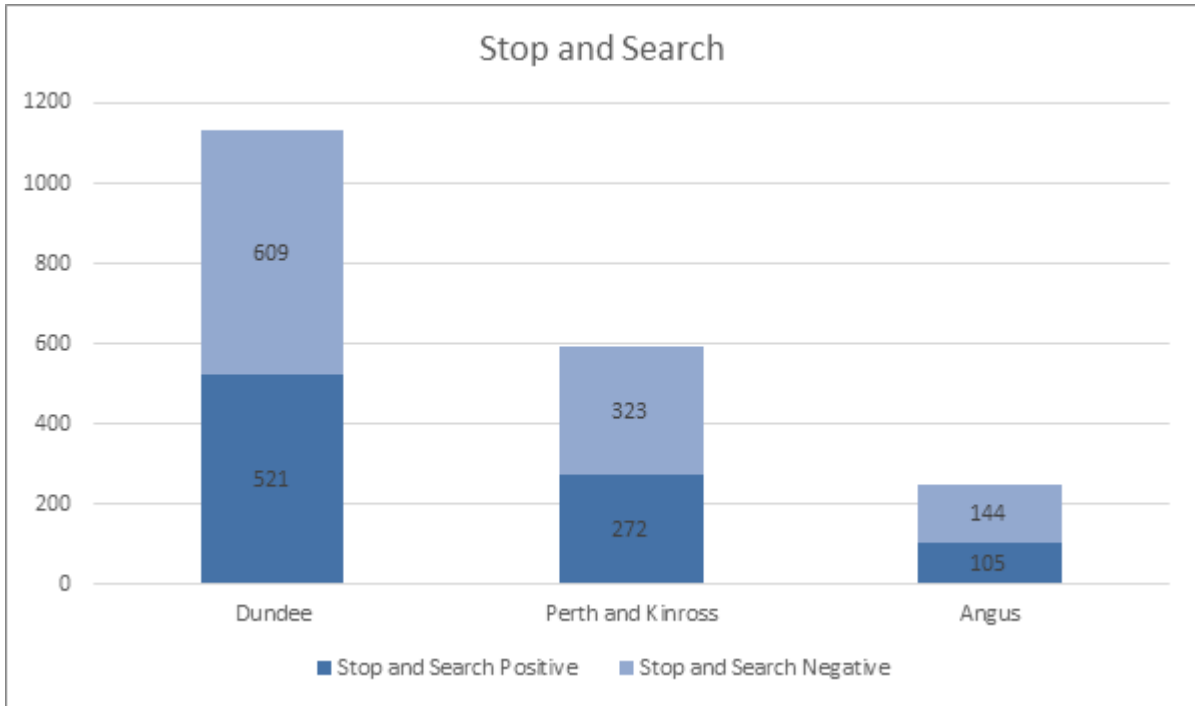
Within Dundee and wider Division there is a Multi-Agency CONTEST board which meets quarterly with representation from Police Scotland , Local Authorities, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service, Scottish Government, Scottish Prison Service and Dundee University

Demand

Stop and search

Dundee Local Policing Area continue to utilise intelligence led stop and search. This is an important policing aspect in dealing with some of the issues presented by drugs, violence and crimes of dishonesty.

Searches conducted are on a statutory basis and a breakdown of negative and searches are as follows:

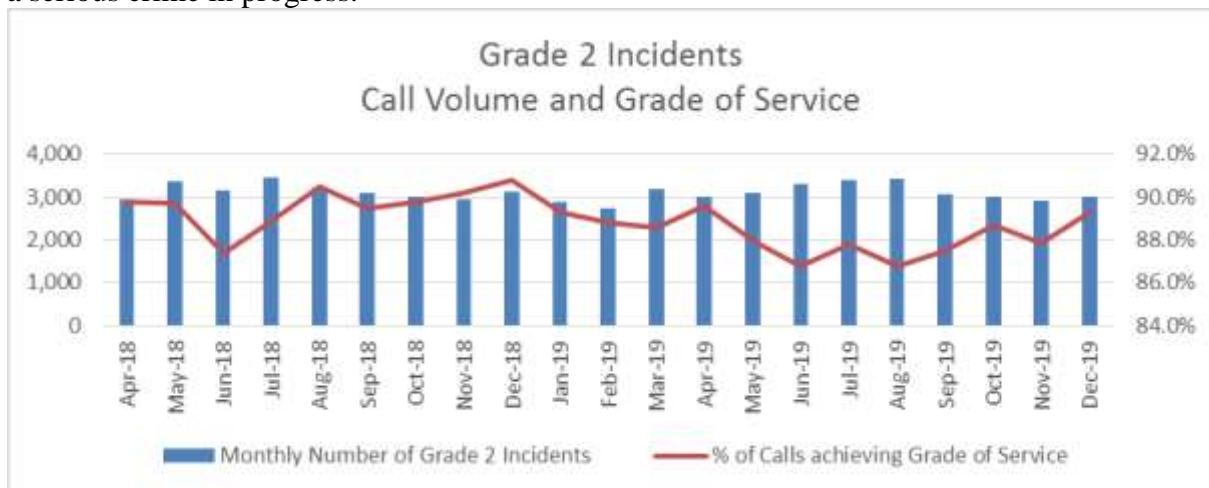


The total number of stop and searches conducted during the period were 1130. 521 of these returned a positive result which is a positive rate of 46%.

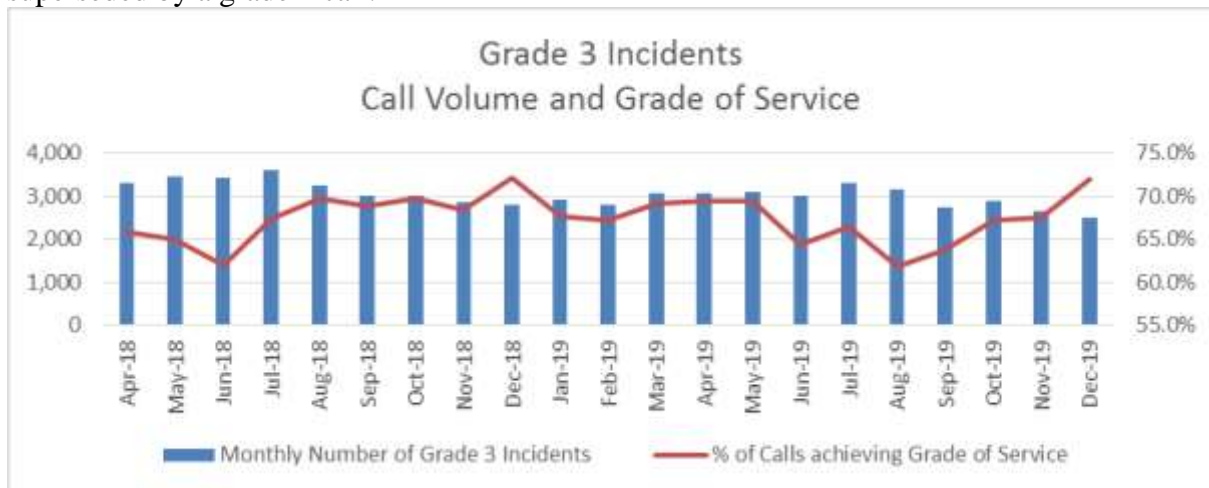
Data extracted from STORM Unity showing data from 00:00:00 on the first of each month until 23:59:59 on the last day of each month. Figures include all resourced incidents (except diary calls) including those which have been generated by police, e.g. pre planned events such as firearms operations or spontaneous deployment to deal with ongoing crime.



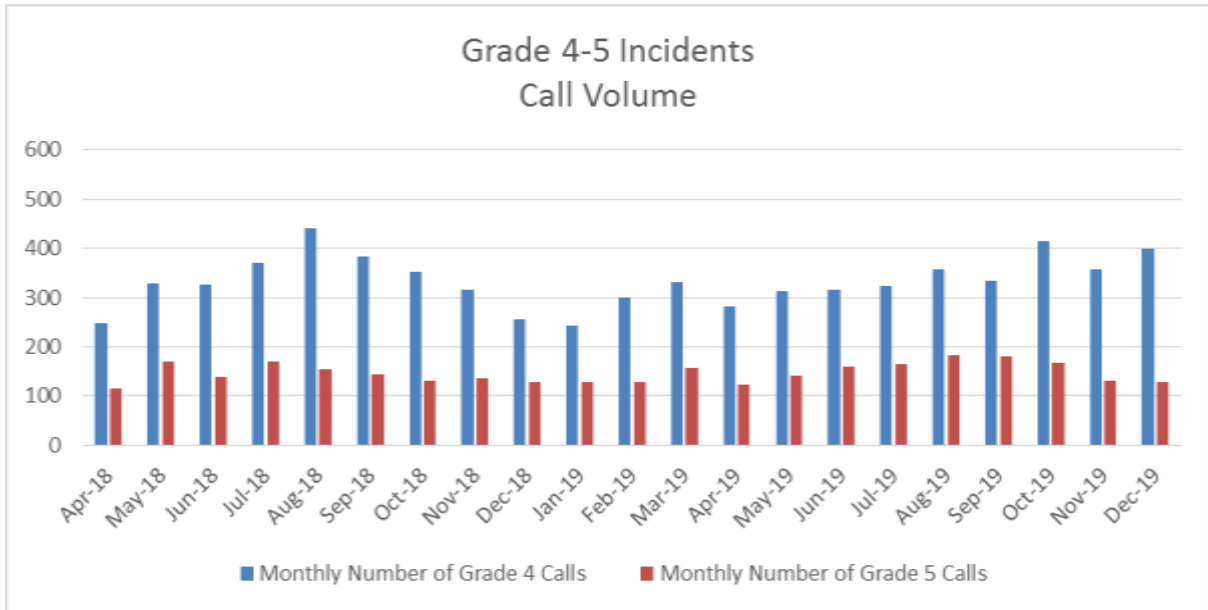
Grade 1: IMMEDIATE - An ongoing incident with an immediate or apparent threat to life or a serious crime in progress.



Grade 2: PRIORITY - Crime/Incident where there is a degree of importance or urgency associated with initial police action. Requires immediate attendance and would only be superseded by a grade 1 call.



Grade 3: STANDARD - Incident is not ongoing, however police attendance is required and the situation could be prejudiced by significant delay.



Grade 4: SCHEDULED - Crimes/Incidents which will not be prejudiced by a scheduled response, with police attendance at a mutually agreeable time.

Grade 5: NON - ATTENDANCE - Incidents that can be resolved by telephone or by some other which do not require police attendance.

Appendix

Rate 1 per 10,000 figures are based on the following population data:

	Reporting Period³				
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
	Mid-year Population Estimate (Total Persons)²				
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2016
FORCE / SCOTLAND	5 327 700	5 347 600	5 373 000	5 404 700	5 404 700

Tayside	412 160	413 800	415 040	415 470	415 470
Angus	116 290	116 740	116 900	116 520	116 520
Dundee City	148 100	148 130	148 210	148 270	148 270
Perth and Kinross	147 770	148 930	149 930	150 680	150 680

2 - Mid-year population data based on extracts from National Records for Scotland (<http://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/>), as at April 2016.

3 - Due to when population data are published it is necessary to use earlier mid-year estimates in some calculations. As soon as more current population data are available, the above table will be updated.

