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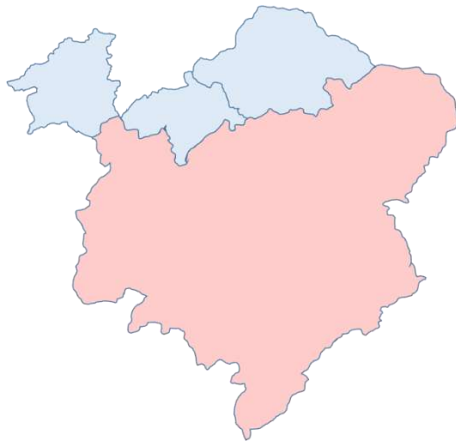


Scottish Borders Area Command

The Lothians and Scottish Borders

East Berwickshire Community Councils
Multi Member Ward Report for December 2025

(Up to 31/12)



The information provided within this report, is predominately based on the East Berwickshire Multi Member Ward Policing Plan and the areas you have identified as priorities.

The data provided in this report is for information purposes only and is not official crime statistics. Due to delayed reporting or recording of crimes, incidents or road accidents and the management of crime enquiries, there is likely to be differences between the information in this report and the final Police Scotland statistics. It would not be appropriate to refer to, quote or use any data in this report as official statistics.

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Community Update – East Berwickshire



During December PC Jacobs, East Berwickshire Community beat officer, has been working on Operation Frankincense, which involved reporting acquisitive crimes such as shoplifting, road safety checks alongside our roads policing colleagues, and deterring Antisocial behaviour, all in line with our force priorities.

Alongside this, PC Jacobs has been carrying out enquires regarding thefts by shoplifting in Eyemouth and have identified all perpetrators and will be subsequently reporting them to the Procurator fiscal.

There has also been intelligence reported to police regarding possible drug dealing in the Berwickshire area. This is important for detecting crime and is essential for taking offenders to court. Information can be provided by calling 101, speaking to your local officers or reporting anonymously via Crimestoppers on **0800 555111**.

Preferred information for Crimestoppers

1. Times, dates and locations
2. Persons names, if not, descriptions of persons and clothing
3. Cars frequenting, registration plates, make, model, colour etc.
4. What has been seen, heard, smelt, found?
5. Any evidence of dealing? Money changing hands, frequent visitors on set days?
6. Behaviours, paranoia? Aggressive?
7. Other occupants of the address? Family members? Children?

The above list is by no means exhaustive but is a starter for good solid information. But most importantly, even if you are reporting anonymously, has it been seen by you? Or has it been seen by another? I.e. third hand information? If so, then the information becomes weaker the further it is from the original source. The stronger the information, the more options available to police and agencies, present themselves. However, always remember - false information can be the downfall of a case and can invalidate a large amount of work carried out.

Local Policing Priorities

1. Protecting Vulnerable People in a Physical & Digital World
2. Reducing violence and Anti-Social Behaviour
3. Reducing acquisitive crime
4. Improving road safety
5. Tackling serious and organised crime

Protecting Vulnerable People in a Physical & Digital World



In December 2025 Police in the Scottish Borders attended and were involved with around 153 mental health related calls, around 8 missing person enquiries and approximately 83 domestic related incidents.

East Berwickshire had 21 mental health related calls and 0 missing person enquires. Due to GDPR and protection of victims/subjects involved, we are unable to share any more specific information in relation to these type of call within this report.

Police Scotland work in collaboration with key partners to assist the most vulnerable within the communities and to provide support.



Reducing Violence and Anti-Social Behaviour

Assaults

On 20/12/2025 report of a male having been assaulted and his mobile phone taken whilst within a property in Bennison Square, Eyemouth. Crime Reports submitted. Enquiries ongoing.

On 27/12/2025 report of a male having been assaulted whilst he was in Marine Square, Eyemouth. Ethical Crime Report submitted.

Anti-Social Behaviour

On 02/12/2025 report of a male using the 999 system and making false calls requiring emergency police response when no incidents had occurred. Male was traced on the High Street, Eyemouth. He was cautioned and charged with the offence.

On 08/12/2025 report of a male kicking the front door of a property in Glebe Place, Chirnside. Informant spoken to, nothing ongoing. Male kicked the door once and left. No damage caused. No complaints made.

On 20/12/2025 report of a male entering a property in Hinkar Way, Eyemouth and being verbally abusive to the householder. He was requested to leave. He then smashed a garage window, a back door window and assaulted the informant. Officers attended. One male arrested and conveyed to Hawick Custody.

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On 25/12/2025 report of a male and female banging and kicking on the door of property in Dominies Way, Chirnside and shouting abuse. Male and female traced and both issued with a Recorded Police Warning for threatening and abusive behaviour.

On 29/12/2025 report of an ongoing disturbance within a property in Crimson Hill, Gavinton. Officers attended. Advice given. Ethical Crime Report submitted.

Vandalism/vehicle damage

On 09/12/2025 report of the front door side panel window of a property in Killies Green, Eyemouth being smashed. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing.

On 11/12/2025 report of a garden fence in The Avenue, Eyemouth having been spray painted with graffiti. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing.

On 14/12/2025 report of four tyres on a vehicle having been punctured whilst it was parked on the roadway in Deanhead Drive, Eyemouth. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing.

Theft

On 02/12/2025 report of a male theft shoplifting in the Co-Op, High Street, Eyemouth on several occasions. Crime Reports submitted. Report submitted to PF.

On 08/12/2025 report of a male theft shoplifting in the Co-Op, High Street, Eyemouth. Crime Report submitted. Male traced and charged. Report submitted.

On 14/12/2025 report of theft shoplifting from the petrol station, Eyemouth Industrial Estate. Enquiries ongoing.

On 15/12/2025 report of theft of items from a property in Renton Terrace, Eyemouth. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing.

On 15/12/2025 report of ongoing issues with a male theft shoplifting on a regular basis in the Co-Op, High Street, Eyemouth. Report submitted to PF

On 16/12/2025 report of female theft shoplifting in The Penny Petroleum, Eyemouth. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing.

On 17/12/2025 report of male theft shoplifting in the Co-Op, High Street, Eyemouth. Crime Report submitted. Report submitted to PF.

On 29/12/2025 report of male theft shoplifting in the Co-Op, High Street, Eyemouth. Crime Report to be submitted. Report submitted to PF.

On 31/12/2025 report of female theft shoplifting in The Penny Petroleum, Eyemouth. Crime Report submitted. Enquiries ongoing.

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Improving Road Safety

On 12/12/2025 – a driver was issued a fine and penalty points for driving with no insurance in Eyemouth



Tackling Serious and Organised Crime

The Scottish Borders CID Proactive Unit executed 2 Drug & General Evidence Warrants during the month of December within the towns of Hawick and Alloa. The Alloa address was linked through enquiry to supply of cocaine into the Borders area. These resulted in the seizures of quantities of Class A controlled drugs and 4 figures sums of cash. 2 persons were reported for drug related offences including proceeds of crime during the month.

Serious and organised crime impacts local communities across the Borders and anyone with information on criminal activity are asked to contact Police Scotland on 101, report it at any Police Station or report it anonymously via the Crime Stoppers Charity.

This information can be on any criminal matter but includes an individuals unexplained financial gain or wealth or persons who are vulnerable in our communities and being targeted or exploited by others for any reason.

Campaigns

Winter road safety

Winter means changes in the roads, shorter days, and changing weather.

We all have a responsibility to keep Scotland's roads safe during the winter months.

Advice if you are out walking during winter:

- Dress for the weather by wearing reflective or bright-coloured clothing so other road users can see you when it is dark, or visibility is poor.
- If you are walking home late at night, make sure someone knows where you are going and when.
- Vehicles can take up to ten times longer to stop on slippery road surfaces so take extra care crossing the road.
- Stick to pedestrian crossings.
- If there are no crossings nearby, find a place with a clear view and wait for long gaps in the traffic before crossing the road.
- Don't cross the road between parked vehicles, unless it can't be avoided then take extra care (look out for vehicles that suddenly pull out or reverse)
- Never cross the road behind a bus.
- If there is no pavement, keep to the right-hand side of the road so you can see traffic coming towards you.

Advice to consider if you are cycling during winter:

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- Make sure your bike can be seen by people on the road.
- Use a good set of front and rear lights (white at the front, red at the back)
- Wear clothes that help you be seen on your bike, such as bright and light reflective items
- Pay attention to road signs, markings, and particularly red lights.
- Do not cycle on the pavements, they may be slippery and can also endanger pedestrians.
- Be mindful of the effects poor weather can have on other road users.
- Make sure you know about the dangers around you.
- Cars can take twice as long to stop in wet weather.
- Braking can be unpredictable in ice and snow.

Advice for drivers during winter:

- Make sure your car is ready for winter.
- Check that your tyres, brakes, windscreens, wiper blades and windows are free from defects and clean.
- Drive to the road conditions. Road conditions can change without warning, stopping distances will be affected by the weather.
- Make sure your windows are clean and aren't misted up.
- Make sure there is no snow and ice on your windows before you drive.
- When the roads are icy, drive at a slow speed in a high gear.
- Accelerate and brake very gently.
- Driving distracted (for example, using a Sat Nav) can cause additional stress. It is dangerous to yourself, passengers, and other road users.

Anyone with information relating to any criminal activity can contact Police Scotland by dialling 101 or alternatively anonymously by calling **CRIMESTOPPERS** on **0800 555111**.

Feedback from a meeting/contacting your Community Policing Team

Anyone with information relating to any criminal activity can contact Police Scotland by dialling 101 or alternatively anonymously by calling **CRIMESTOPPERS** on **0800 555111**.

Should the Community Council wish to discuss any matters highlighted in the report, please contact:

EastBerwickshireCPT@scotland.pnn.police.uk

We will endeavour to provide you with this information, however some information is sensitive and as an organisation we have to ensure compliance with GDPR.

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