



Perth and Kinross Council
Housing and Communities Committee



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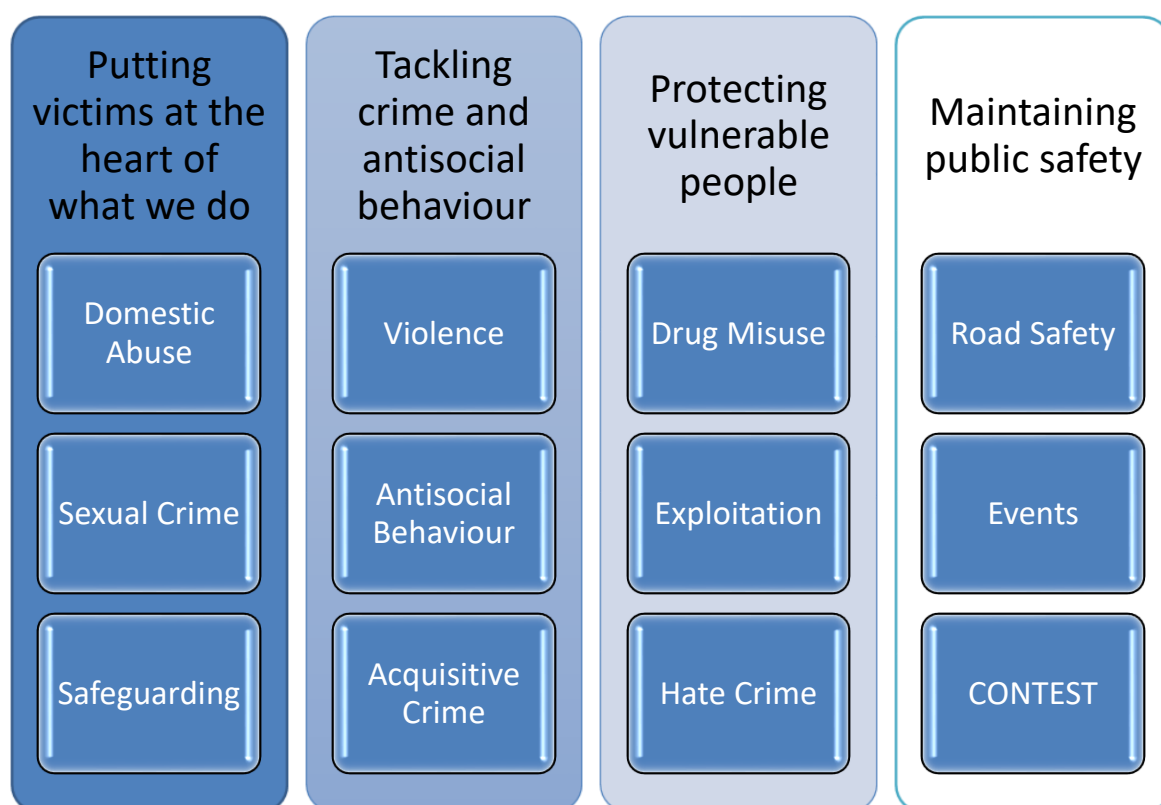
Introduction and overview of Policing Objectives

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 Perth and Kinross previously reported to the Housing and Communities Committee.

Performance in relation to the identified policing objectives and outcomes is monitored and reviewed at the monthly Tasking and Delivery Meeting. Quarterly reports are produced to allow scrutiny by Perth and Kinross Housing and Communities Committee. This report covers the period from 1 April 2019 to 30 June 2019, however will focus on Year to Date (YTD) data from 1 April 2018 to 30 June 2018 and 1 April 2019 to 30 June 2019.

Data provided in this report is for information purposes to allow Committee 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 centered 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

Domestic Abuse Crime rates continue to fluctuate from -2.3% lower than the previous year in April to +11.8% higher than the previous year in June. This pattern is consistent across Scotland and no trends are apparent.

The number of domestic crimes reported for quarter one has decreased by 13.9%. There were 192 reported crimes for this period compared to 223 for last year.

Activity

The Domestic Abuse (Scotland) Act 2018 came into force on 1st April 2019, creating the offence of a person engaging in an abusive course of conduct. All Divisional officers have received training on the new legislation and Divisional champions identified, to mentor their peers. It is too early to fully understand the impact of the legislation on victims and Police, however it is anticipated reported crime rates may increase due to duplicate crimes being reported for the same incidents.

D Division undertook a review of Multi-Agency Tasking and Coordination (MATAC), a multi-agency review process targeting perpetrators. This was designed to ensure consistency was in place across the Division and Scotland, and highlights the successful disruption and enforcement work this process achieves. At present 20 perpetrators across Tayside are subject to ongoing MATAC packages.

Following recent reviews at a national level, awareness raising has taken place amongst Police and partners about the Domestic Abuse Disclosure Scheme (DSDAS) which has been underused. This awareness raising has led to an increase in the number of authorised disclosures to potential victims of domestic abuse.

Results

On 15th April 2019 Stefan Scott was found guilty at the High Court of 21 violent and sexual offences against 6 partners between 2009 and 2018. He was sentenced to 12 years imprisonment. This result is an example of the proactive work generated by MATAC processes.

Challenges

Police resources are being challenged by an increasing number of Honour Based Abuse reports. Increased demand is partially due to increased awareness amongst partners, however these enquiries take time to build relationships with and protect vulnerable victims.

Outcome 2 – Sexual Crime

Group 2 includes other sexual offences, such on online crime and non-recent abuse.

During the first quarter of 2019/20, volumes of Group 2 crime overall have increased slightly (7.3%) in Perth and Kinross compared to the same period last year. Detection rates for rapes and sexual assaults have increased considerably, contributing to an overall detection rate of 74.3% - above both the equivalent period last year and the historical first quarter averages. It is worth noting that early year detection rates can be skewed by the effects of detections from previous year. There is no discernible pattern of sexual offending, however the majority originates from situations where the victim and offender are known to one another and substance use is often a factor.

Activity

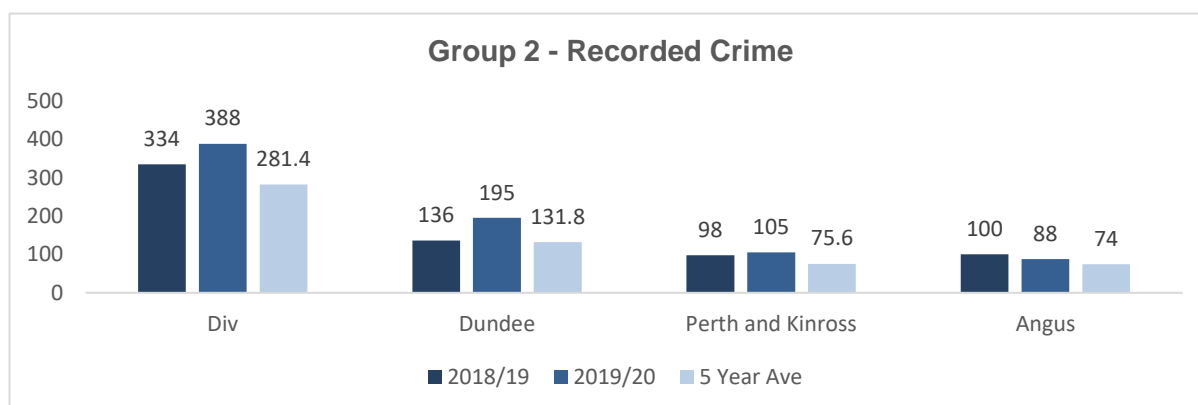
On 1st April 2019, a new Forensic Examination Suite was opened in Dundee, catering for adult victims of sexual crime across Tayside. This creates a one-stop shop for forensic examination and support and contains an anonymous referral option where victims are not ready to speak to the Police. This is one of the few anonymous pathways in Scotland. Services for child victims are provided at existing co-located centres.

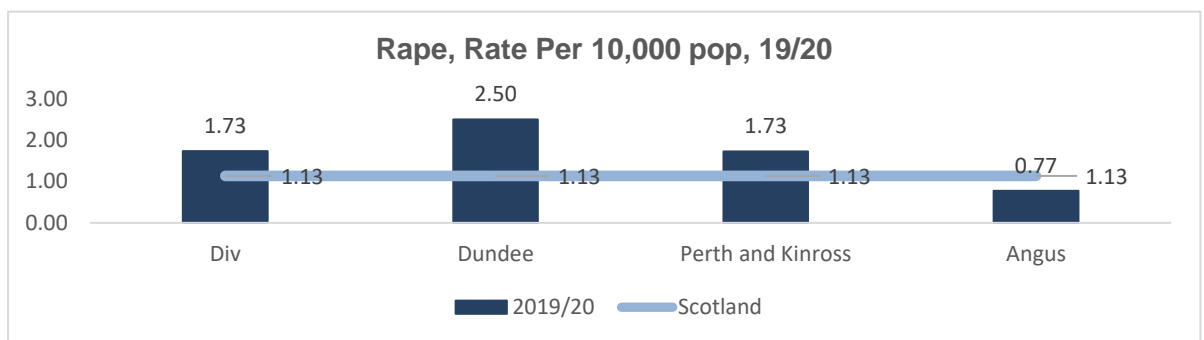
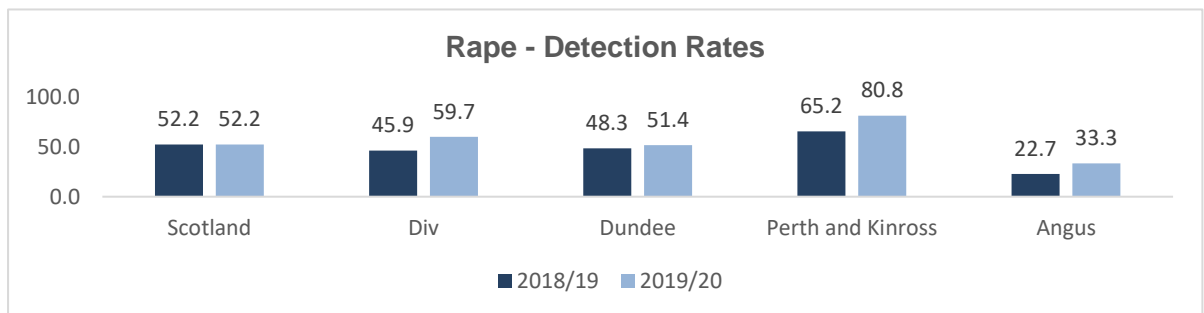
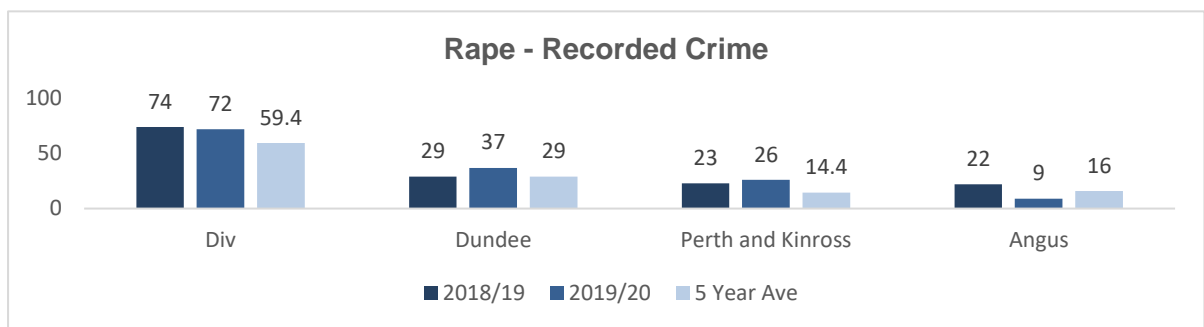
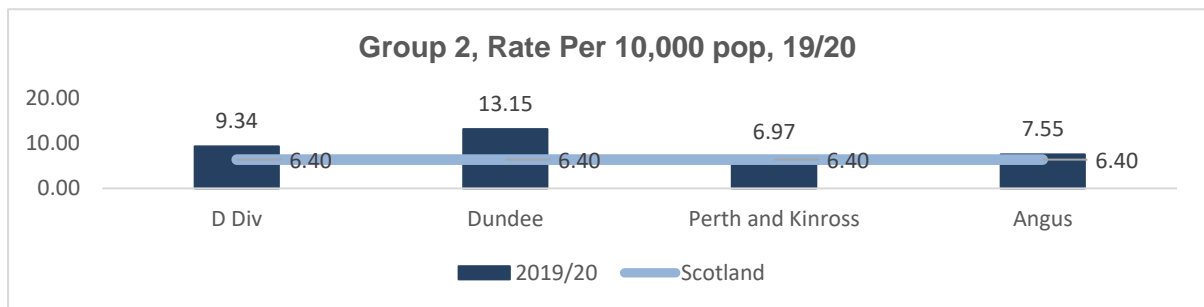
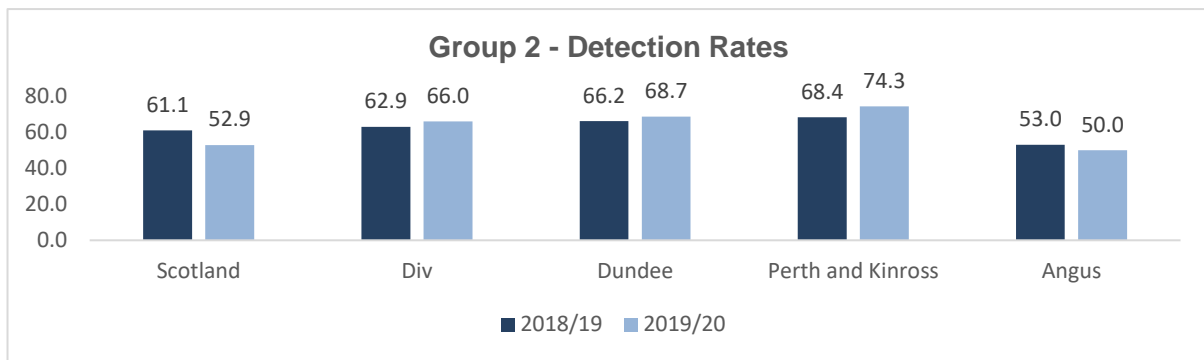
Results

On 19th June 2019 David Dunn was sentenced at the High Court on 3 charges of non-recent abuse committed against vulnerable young boys. This was the outcome of an Operation which lasted for months in an effort to bring him to justice, which was only possible due to the help of partners in Social Work. At Glasgow High Court, Dunn received a sentence of six years and one month.

Challenges

It is of note that Perth and Kinross has high reporting rates for non-recent crime, those which occurred more than a year prior to reporting. Non-recent rapes are 65% of those reported and overall Group 2 crime sits at 39% in June 2019. These crimes are traditionally more difficult to detect with the lack of witnesses and forensic evidence two contributory factors. D Division have reacted by creating a non-recent sexual crime team to improve the standards of investigation and create resilience in this area of business. This team will commence in quarter 2 of 2019/20.





Outcome 3 – Safeguarding

Activity

On 7 June 2019, Sergeant MacNaughton and Constable Elder conducted a meeting in Birnam with group of carers for persons with Dementia through contacts at Alzheimer's UK charity. They provided preventative information provided for scams and bogus workmen. This included missing person procedures and preventative devices to be used for their clients.

Police Scotland ran a national 'Shut Out Scammers' initiative during this reporting period the campaign sought to raise awareness of the wide variety to tactics used by those involved in this criminal behaviour.

Results

Partnership working with Alzheimer's UK at a local level including information sharing for carers.

Challenges

Obtaining evidence from these particularly vulnerable people is challenging if they become victims of crime it is essential that partnership working is completed to prevent any repetition of these crimes.

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.

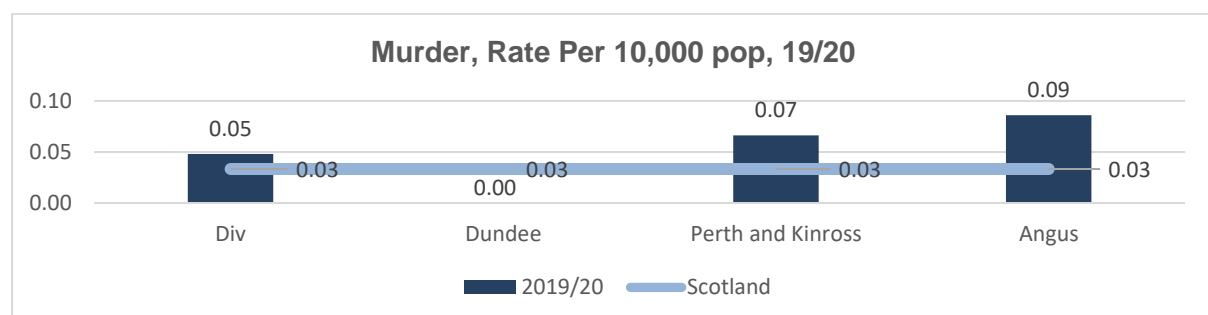
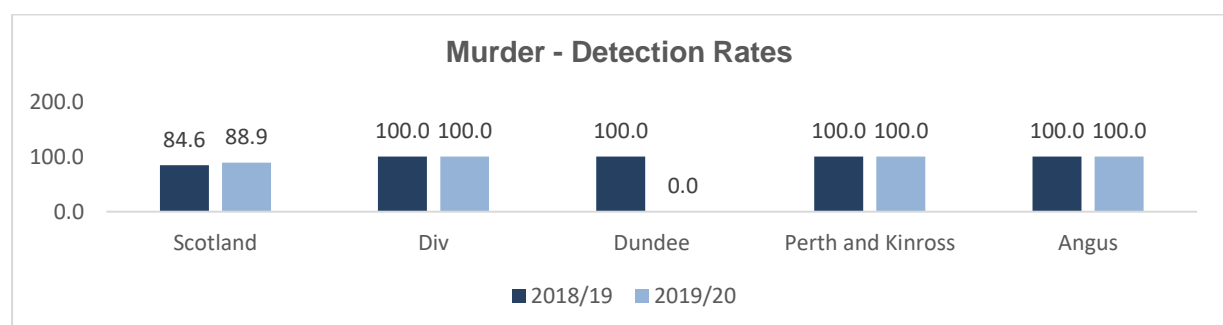
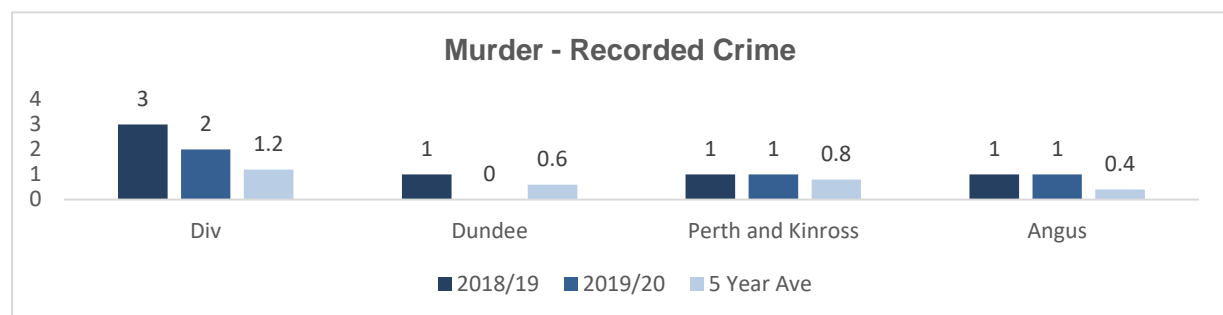
Outcome 1 – Violence

Activity

During quarter 1 there was one murder in Perth. The incident was responded to by local officers and detectives from the Criminal Investigation Department. Ownership of this investigation was passed to the National Major Investigation Team who were supported by local officers. The circumstances leading to the death Barry DIXON have been reported the Crown Office and Procurator Fiscals Service.

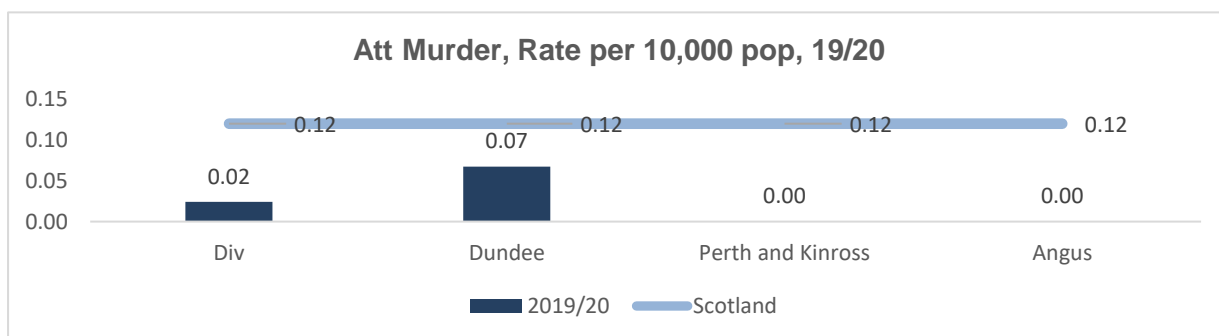
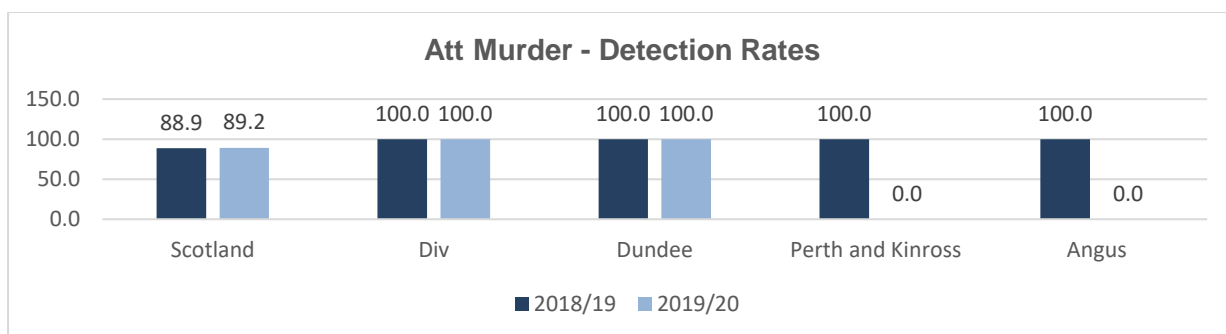
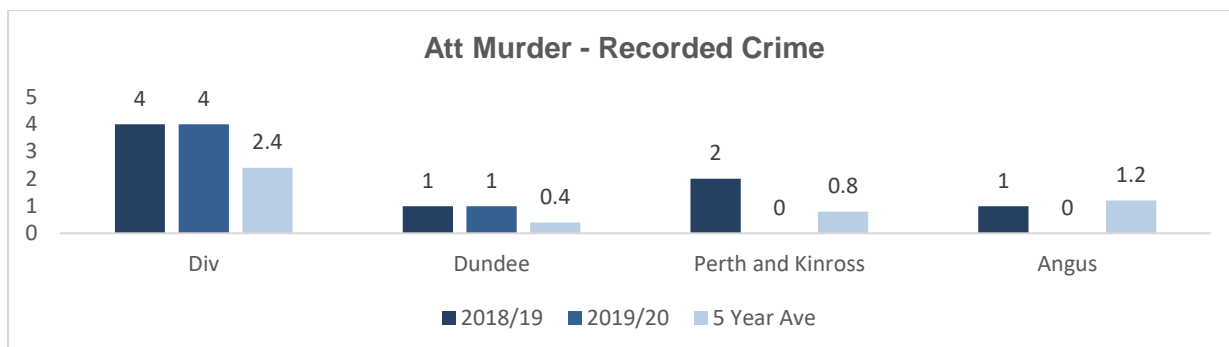
Results

A 21 years old man has been charged with the Murder of Barry DIXON and is remanded in custody awaiting trial.



Attempted Murder:

There have been no attempted murders in the Perth and Kinross area during this reporting period.



Serious assaults:

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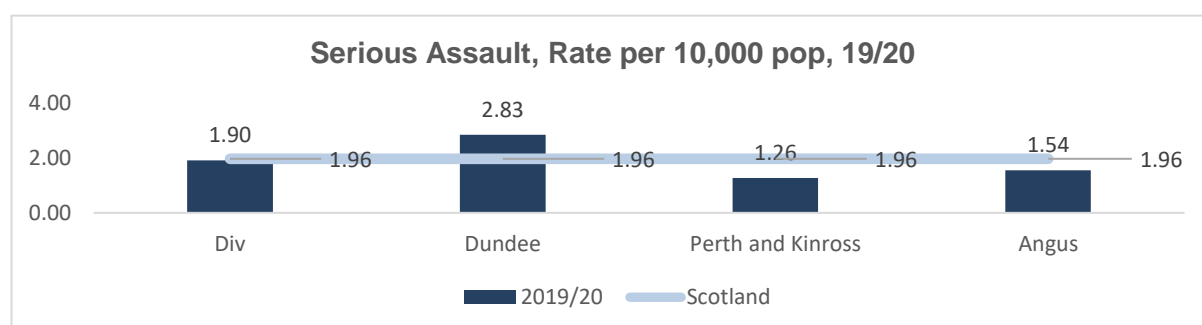
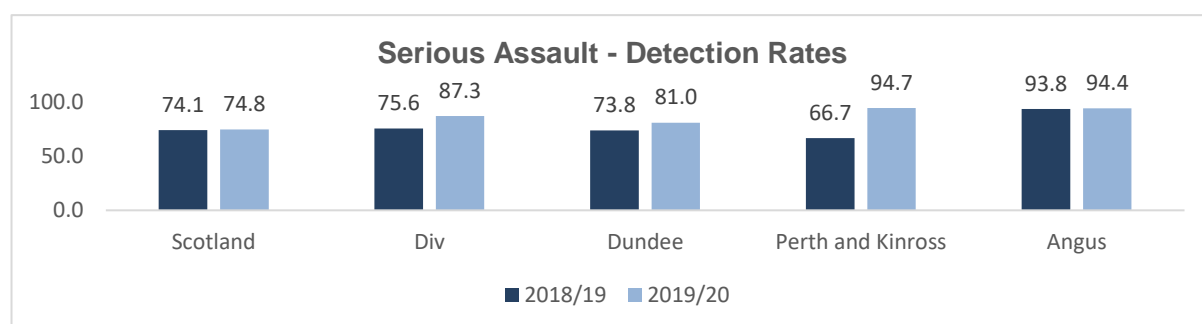
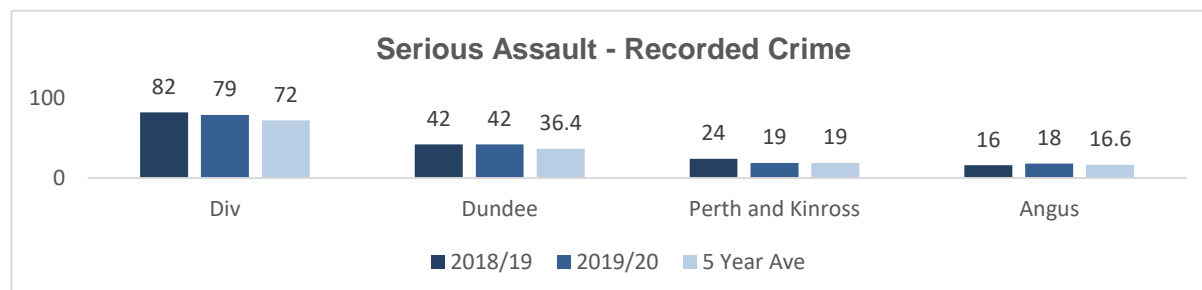
There has been a significant increase in the detection of serious assaults within the first quarter with the chances of becoming a victim of a serious assault being below the national average in Perth and Kinross. The investigation of serious assaults will be overseen by the CID however it is often in partnership with local officers.

Results

During this quarter there has been a slight reduction in the number of serious assaults from this period last year, falling in line with the 5 year average figure. Almost half of the incidents have involved the consumption of alcohol by both or either the accused or the victim, with only 5 occurring within or near to a licensed premises. Two of the serious assaults have occurred in a domestic setting. The vast majority have not involved the use of weapons. Weapons including knives, a piece of wood and a candle have been used during 6 assaults. 2 of the assaults occurred within the HMP Estate one involving an inmate and the other a member of staff. 8 of these crimes were committed by people known to the victim.

Challenges

Predicting and preventing serious assault can be challenging. When appropriate the use of medical data could be beneficial to predict geographical locations of public space serious violence. Occasionally, the victim of violent crime will not engage with Police Scotland however due to the nature of the injuries sustained an investigation will be completed.



Assaults:

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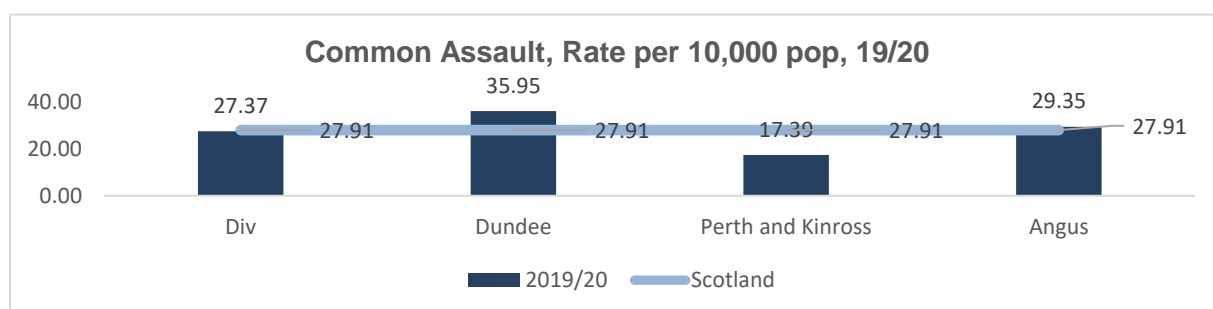
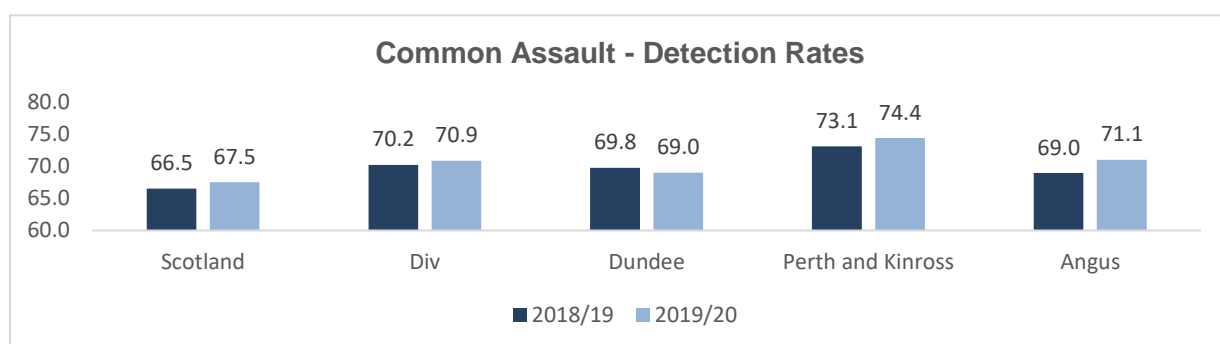
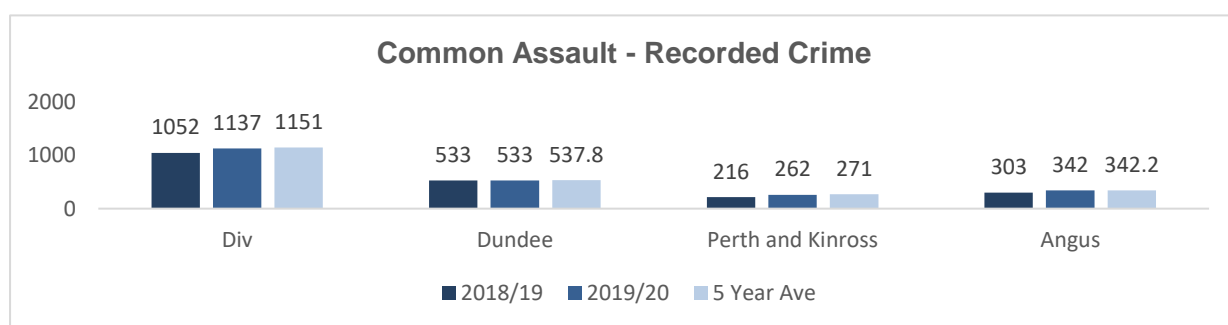
Assaults reported at HMP Perth are reviewed in partnership with the Scottish Prison Service to prevent any repetition but also for intelligence building in terms of causation factors for the violence.

Results

Common assaults remain low in Perth and Kinross compared with the national average. Whilst there has been an increase in assaults, they still remain under the five year average. It should also be noted there has also been a small increase in the number of detected offences.

Challenges

Often persons involved in these type of incidents, which generate multiple crimes are unwilling to engage with Police. This hampers the evidence gathering process, which adversely affects the detection rate. That said, if persons who commit these crimes do so in licensed premises Banning Orders are requested for those individuals who commit violence within these premises.



Outcome 2 – Antisocial Behaviour

Activity

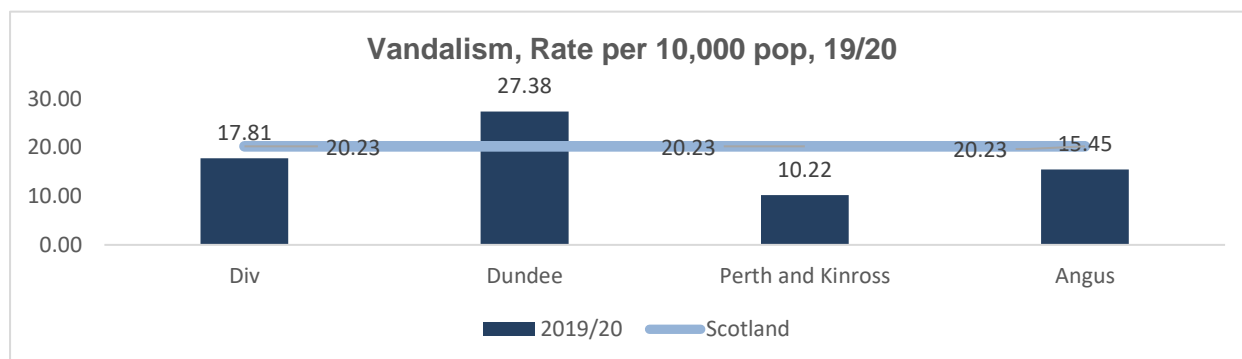
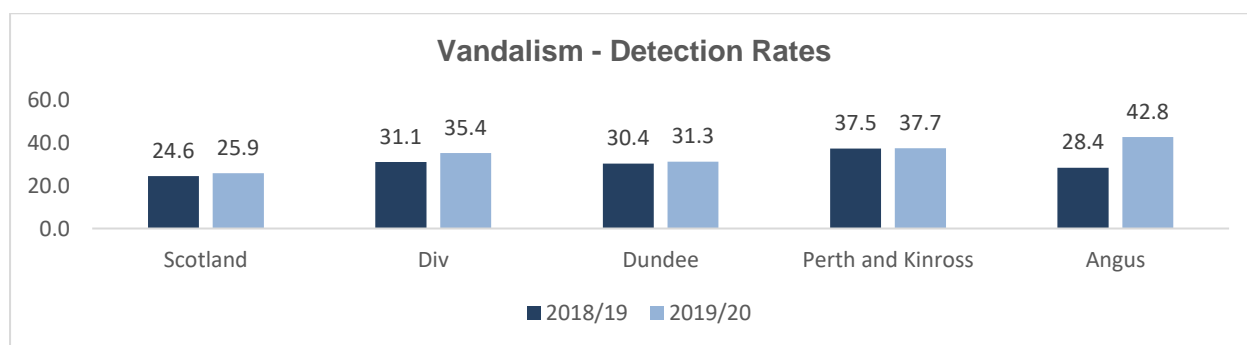
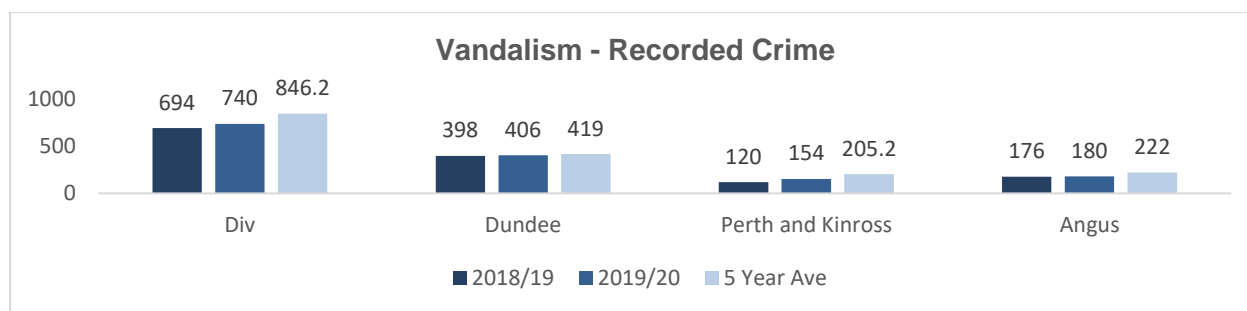
Operation Ironworks has commenced during the quarter under review. Inspector Chase has attended meetings at Loch Lomond National Park Headquarters along with three other divisions within Police Scotland to prevent anti-social behaviour within the National Park and locally at Loch Earn.

Results

Operation and resources identified to tackle anti-social behaviour and alcohol related violence at Loch Earn for intelligence led operations including cross-border work and in partnership with Park Rangers.

Challenges

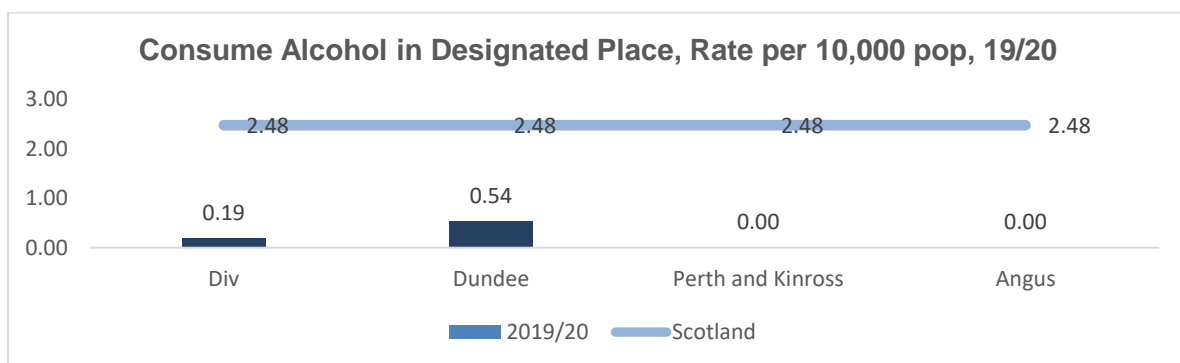
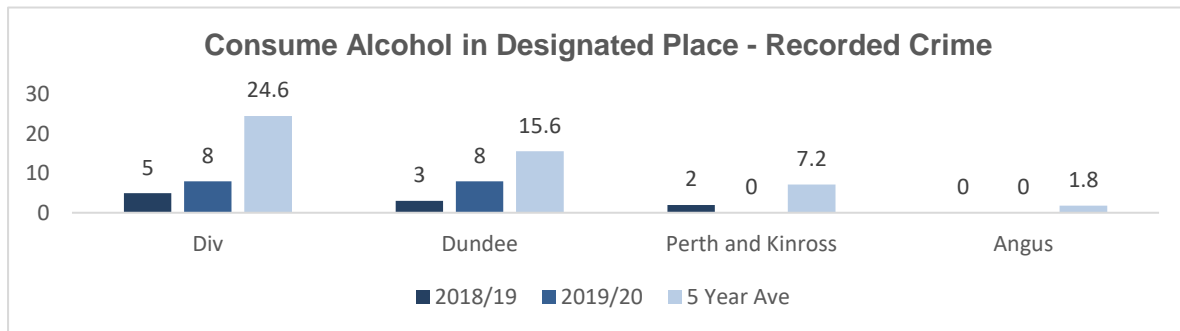
The rural location of Loch Earn when those attending and camping overnight have consumed alcohol often leads to confrontation with police officers and difficulties with requesting for the campers to remove themselves from the area.



Consuming alcohol in a designated place (where byelaws exist):

Activity

There have been no offences detected in relation to consumption of alcohol in designated public places. Licensed premises are visited at weekends by both response and community officers.



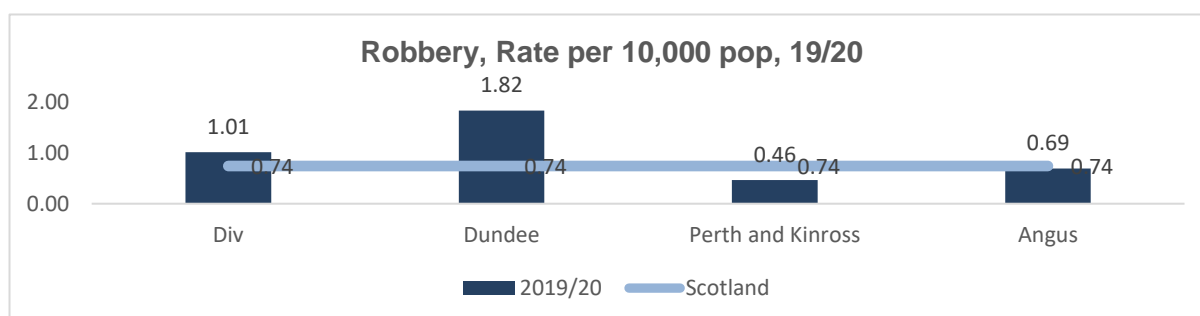
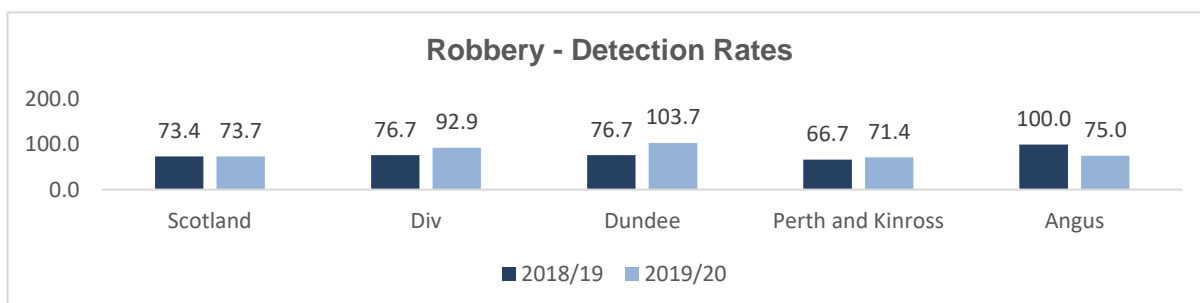
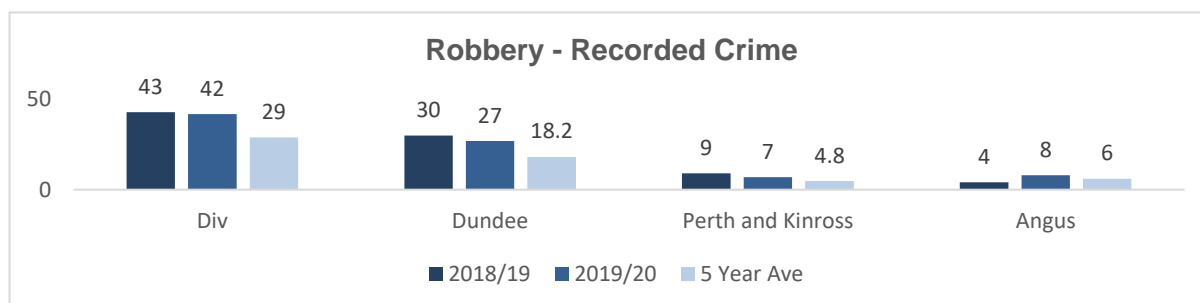
Outcome 3 – Acquisitive Crime

Activity

A number of premises in Perth and Kinross were targeted by a group of travelling criminals from England who distracted staff in a variety of commercial premises making use of chip and pin machines to facilitate high value refunds when no purchase had been made. Preventative messages were put out on social media and through retail partner's networks.

Results

This reporting period has seen a slight reduction in Robberies in comparison to the same period last year, however the number of robberies remains above the 5 years average. There was one high value robbery which involved the theft of a car. 2 of the crimes have involved people who use drugs, with 1 crime occurring in a domestic setting. Items stolen include mobile telephones and cash. The majority of crimes have not involved the use of weapons, only some of the crimes have involved people who know one and other. All robberies have occurred against a persons, no premises have been targeted, and no specific trend of victim type has been identified.



Domestic housebreaking:

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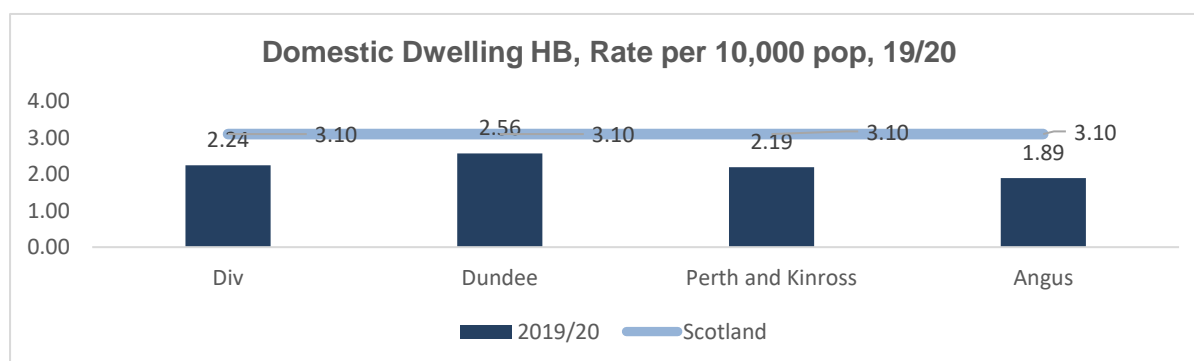
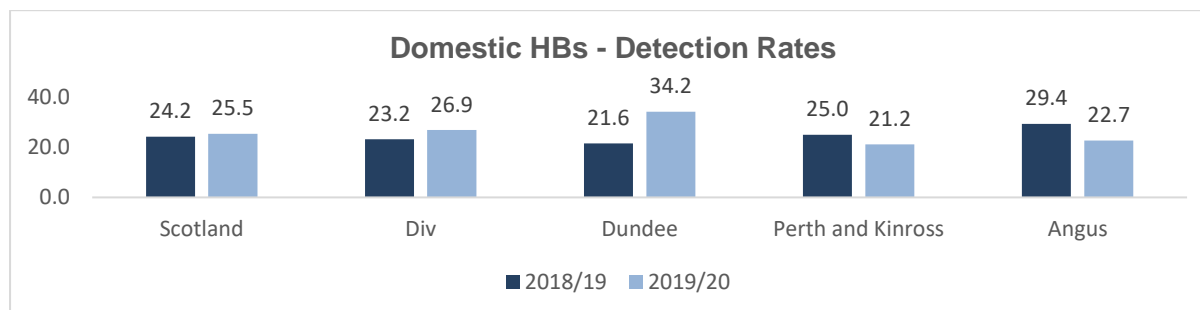
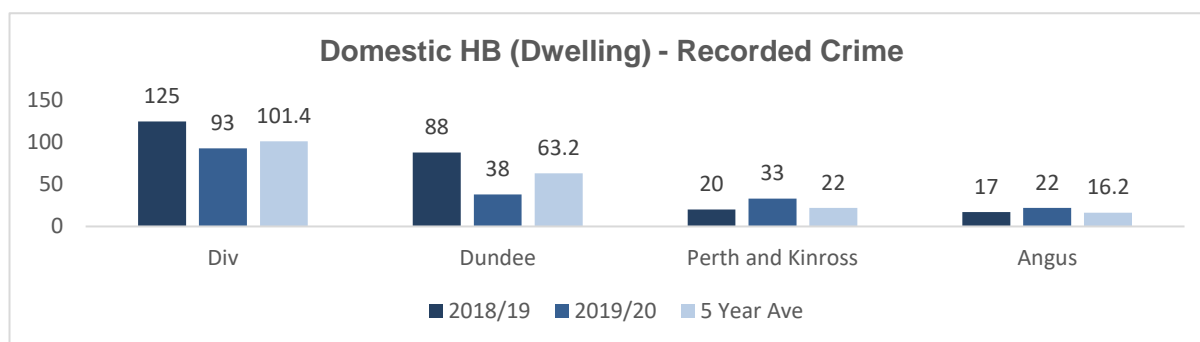
In May 2019 Perth CIU investigated a series of Housebreakings and Theft Open Lockfast Places to property at Kinloch Rannoch. Investigation was made alongside local Pitlochry officers and a male was identified as being responsible by traditional Policing methods and supported by forensic evidence.

Results

A male was arrested and charged with 5 offences and remanded in custody.

Challenges

Housebreakings in rural locations continue to be challenging in terms of detecting these crimes. Regular cross border meetings take place between D division and neighbouring divisions identifying potential offenders who are risk across divisions. This intelligence sharing has led to joint patrols between boundaries.



Motor vehicle crime:

Activity

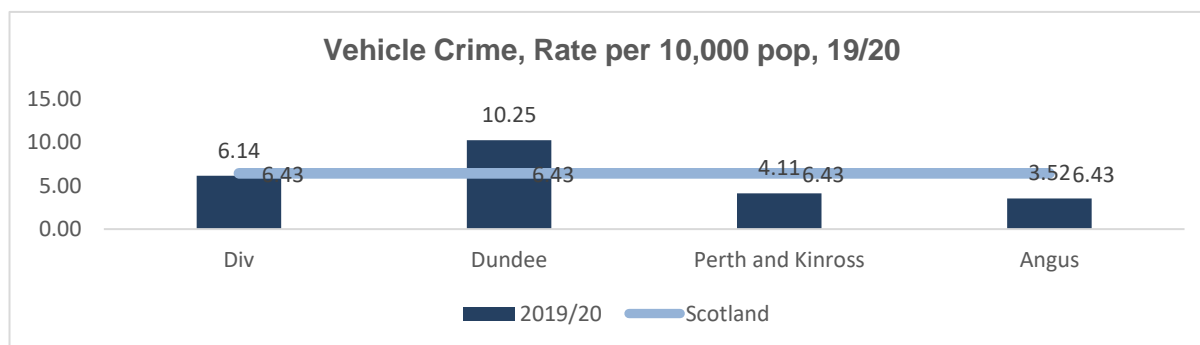
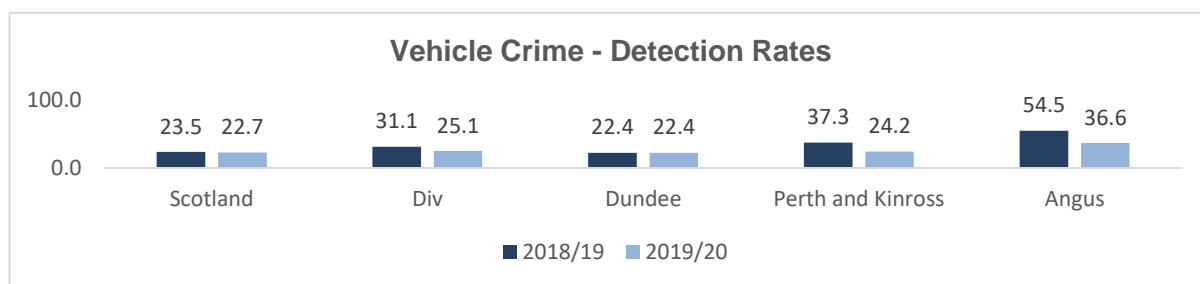
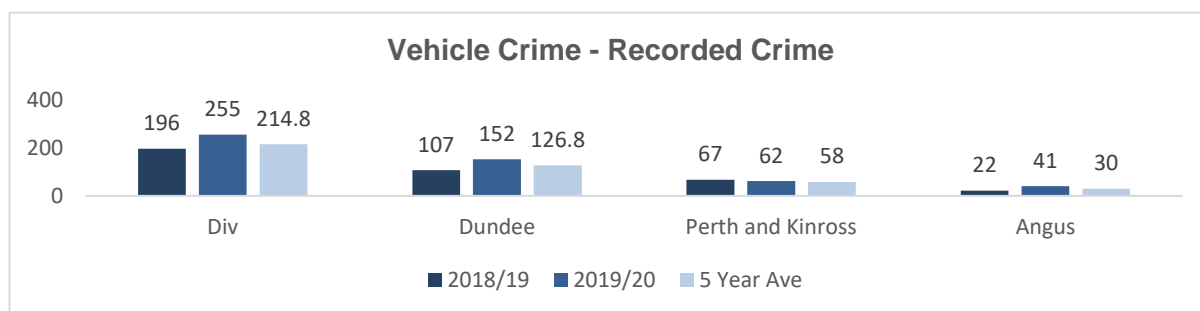
In May 2019, two thefts from motor vehicles in Perth were reported to Police one of which was observed by a member of the public.

Results

Officers traced the same male and found him to be responsible for thefts from cars and also being found within curtilages without a reasonable excuse. He was arrested and reported for six separate offences and is currently awaiting trial for these crimes.

Challenges

In respect of the theft of agricultural vehicles, some victims continue to leave keys in accessible places. In respect of small vehicles, for example quadbikes or ATVs, consideration should be given for removing seats or disconnecting engine parts to prevent the theft of these desirable items.



Theft by shoplifting:

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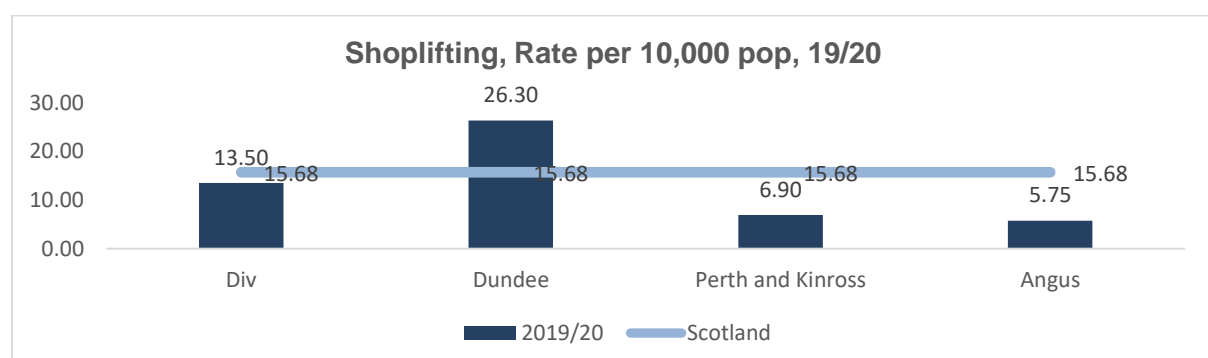
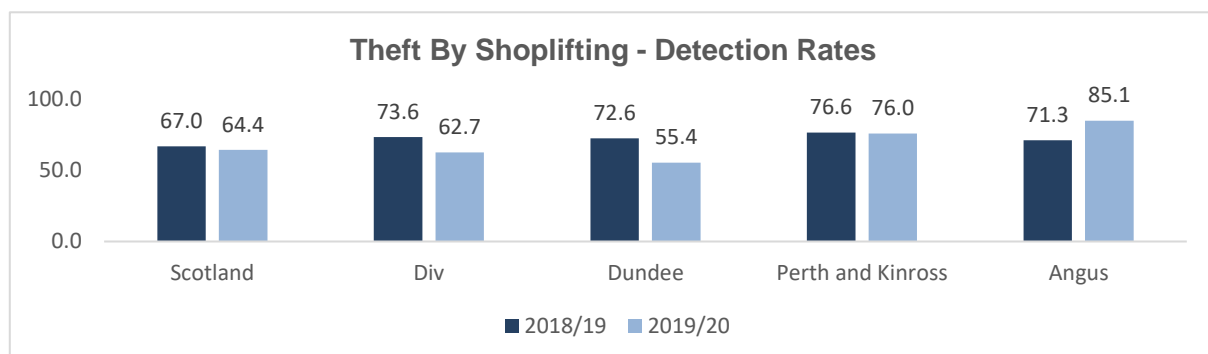
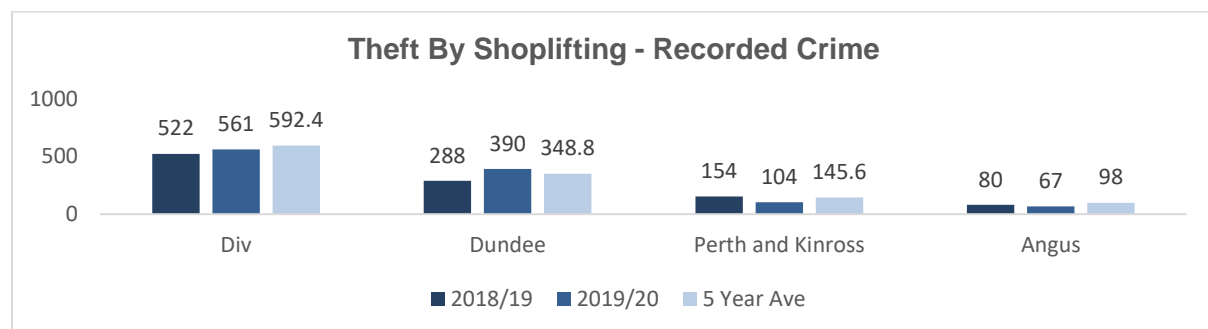
Shoplifting has seen an increase in comparison with the figure for last year in the division, although it continues to be well below the national average. However, Perth and Kinross has seen a considerable reduction.

Results

The detected shoplifting crimes within Perth City Centre include the local supermarkets for example, Morrison's, Tesco's and Asda. When offenders are charged with offences bail conditions are requested for them not to enter the shop premises and, provided it is justifiable, Perth city.

Challenges

Challenges with shoplifting offences can include the stock counting of premises. To prove charges an element of this will include the exact quantity of an item that has been stolen. This will include shop premises completing an audit for Police Scotland to identify the missing stock. This can prove challenging for some premises.



Fraud:

Activity

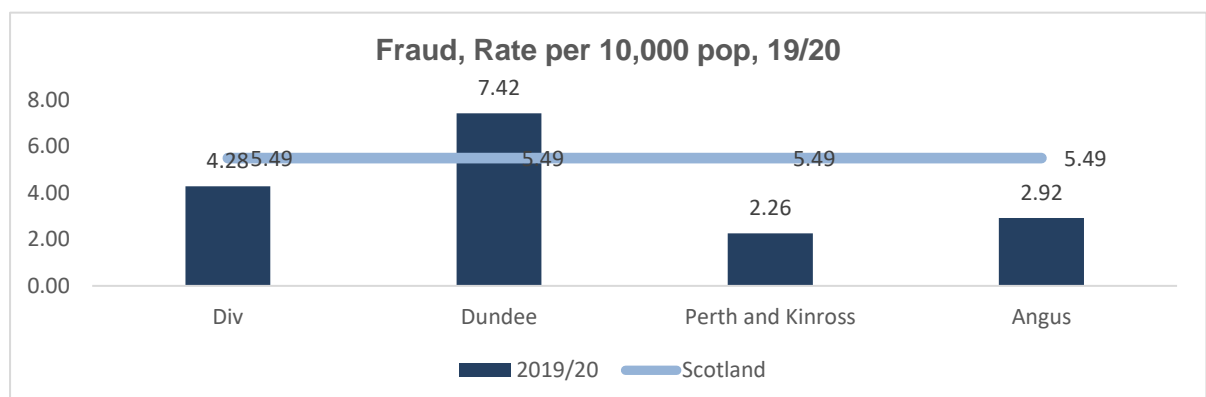
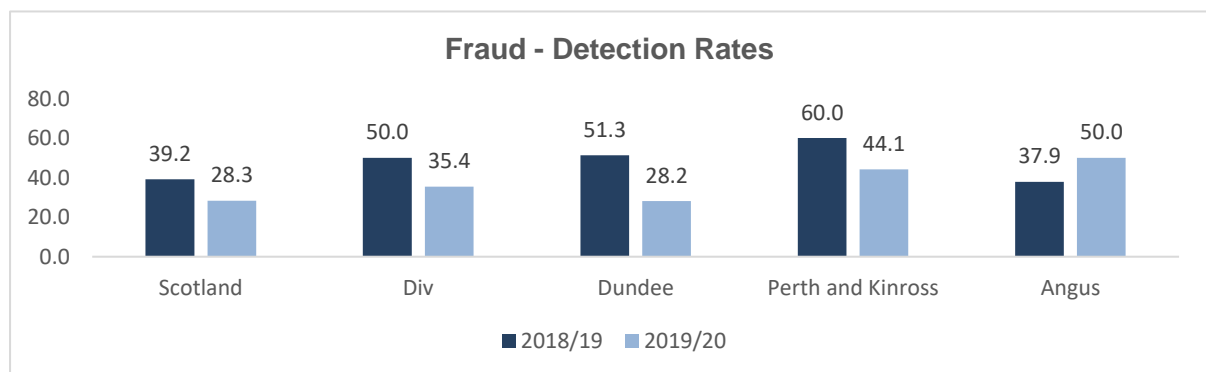
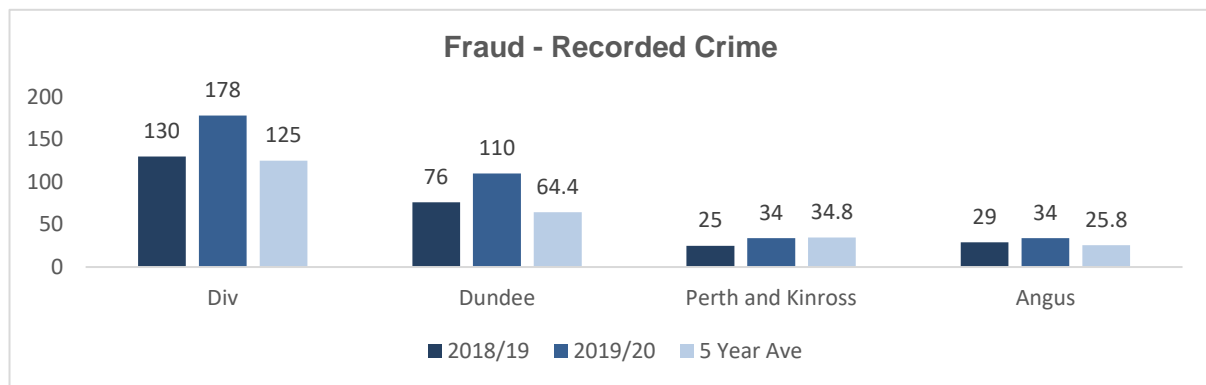
Close collaboration with Pitlochry neighbourhood Watch Coordinators Group – attend the quarterly meetings and regularly provide mutual updates by email. Information flow has been continuous and includes dissemination via the Community Watch system. This has resulted in the interception of a number of bogus workmen and tradesmen in the Pitlochry area, avoiding some vulnerable elderly residents from becoming victims.

Results

A number of potentially vulnerable people have been identified and potential perpetrators have been displaced from Pitlochry.

Challenges

Victims are often embarrassed to report incidents to Police Scotland or other agencies.



Protecting vulnerable people

Outcome 1 – Drug Misuse

Possession of drugs:

Activity

Proactive work continues, with local officers dealing with those suspected of being in possession of controlled drugs. A number of drug search warrants have been executed across Perth and Kinross during this reporting period.

Perth CIU dealt with 3 males who were identified as targeting a vulnerable individual in Perth by the local Council. Officers worked with partners and attended the address offering support for the victim and due to evidence of drug dealing the males were detained for drugs searches.

The three males provided false details and two were identified by live scan fingerprinting. The third male refused to go on live scan and his identity remained unknown.

All three were charged with attempt to Pervert the Course of justice and put before the court but released the following day for further enquiry for the supply case.

The three males were from London with a Somalian heritage and suspected to be linked to Serious Organised Crime.

Whilst in custody all three were given an opportunity out with Police interviews to give their background details and confirm if they were victims but they refused to engage and give any information.

One male was traced the following day and CIU liaised with immigration for advice and he was subsequently arrested on suspicion of being an illegal entrant into the UK under Immigrations Act 1971, sect 17(1) Schedule 2.

Authority was obtained to take his fingerprints by force and he was identified and had two Sheriff Court warrants in Glasgow with a deportation order in force. He was remanded in custody.

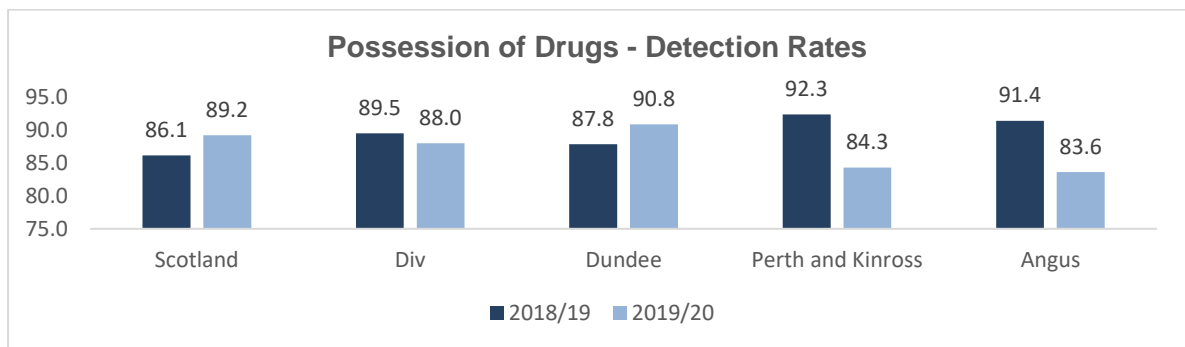
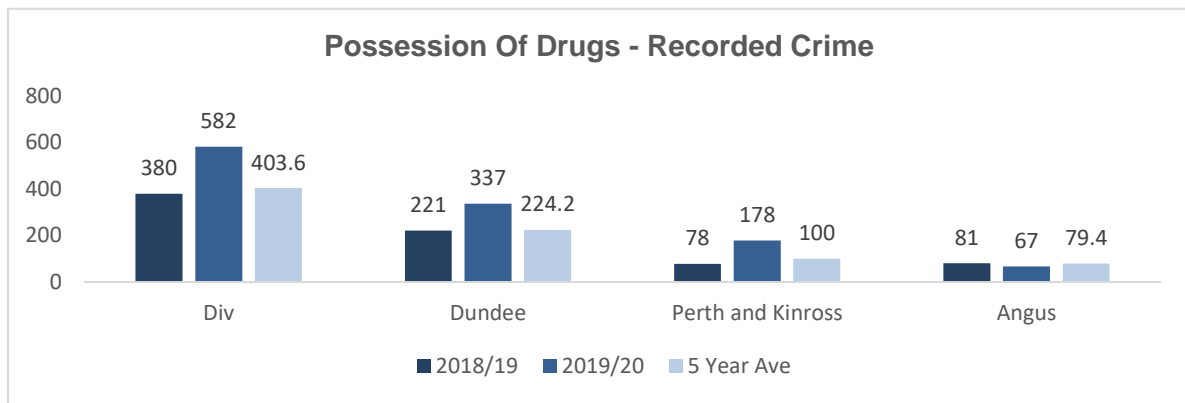
Results

During this reporting period there has been a significant increase in the number of individuals reported for the possession of controlled drugs. Drugs recovered include cannabis, heroin, cocaine and Diazepam. There has been a slight reduction in detection rates.

Challenges

People who use drugs particularly those that use a combination of controlled drug are more likely to suffer a non-fatal overdose or be the victim of a drug related death.

Cross border crime with links to OCG's and although the persons may be victims themselves there was a reluctance of refusal to provide information to Police.



Supply of drugs:

Activity

Perth and Kinross continues to be supported by the National Serious Crime Division to disrupt and detect those involved in serious and organised crime with links to the Perth and Kinross area.

HMP Perth Prison Liaison officer coordinated a joint operation with Scottish Prison Service and a number of drugs parcels on visits were intercepted. Both at HMP Perth and Castle Huntly.

Results

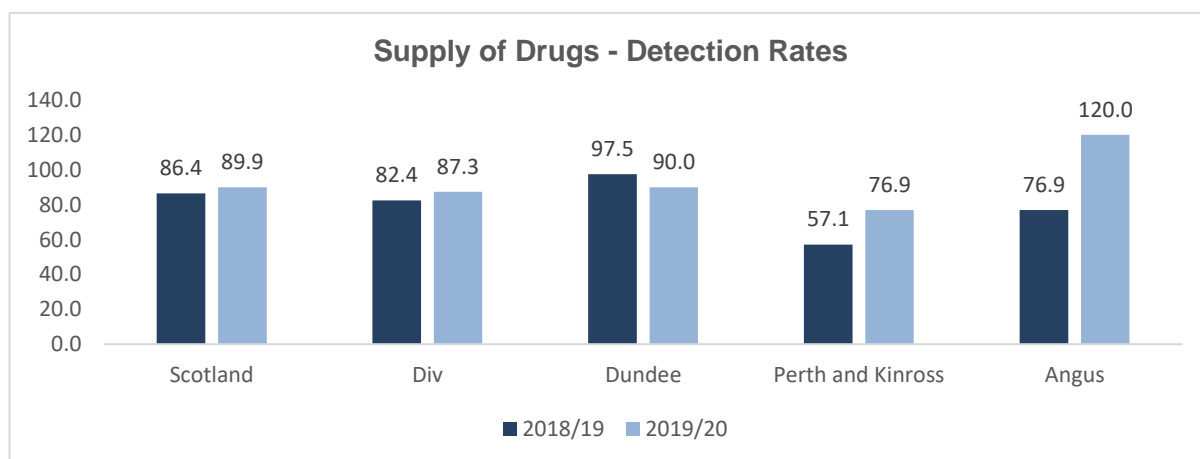
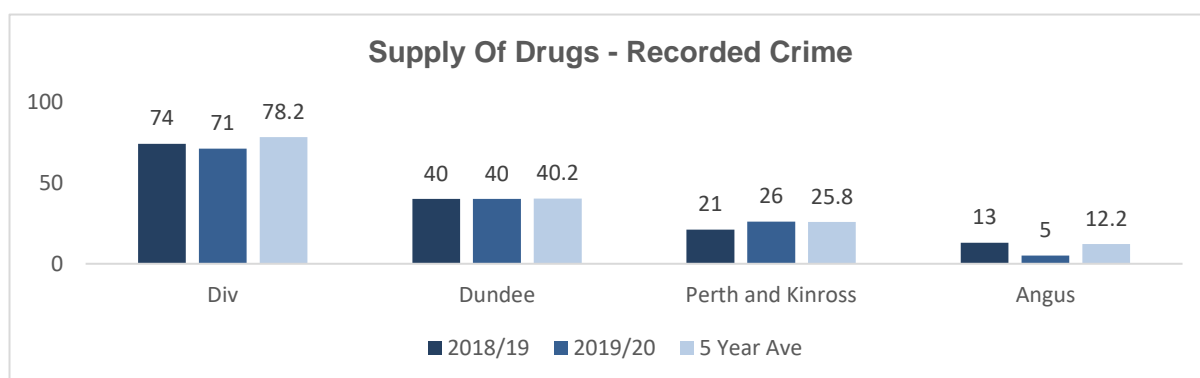
As a result of a proactive disruption activity a man was recalled on license.

Forensic examination used to identify drugs and mobile phones passed into HMP Perth. 3 people reported for these crimes.

HMP Perth and Castle Huntly drugs recoveries approximately 40g of Heroin, 70g Cannabis and 400 Diazepam tablets over last three months.

Challenges

The use of technology whether that be the use of mobile applications, encrypted devices or use of the Dark Web by those involved in the supply of controlled drugs remains challenging for police and other enforcement agencies.



Outcome 2 –Exploitation

Activity

To overcome known cultural and social barriers to Child Sexual Exploitation (CSE), D Division have hosted two, bespoke, interactive online safety/CSE/grooming Facebook events with the public. At both events, police and partners were asked questions about subjects such as gaming, engaging with overseas internet providers and parenting in the digital age. During the course of the two events, over 26,000 people were reached with 2970 active engagements.

Tayside has created an Online Sexual Crime Team to manage the growing risks to young people from internet dependent offending. They respond to internet based sexual offending against children and adults, as well as sextortion and responding to Online vigilante groups and intelligence regarding persons in possession of Indecent Images of Children (IIOC).

PC Elder and PC Band completed a joint meeting with primary schools in Pitlochry catchment area – P7 pupils transitioning to secondary school. To provide advice and information on cyber safety and social media as well as the use of computers.

Results

In May 2019, a female Chinese national pleaded guilty to Human Trafficking, having engaged in the sexual exploitation of females across the Tayside area. The enforcement of the named individual prevented further harm to a number of vulnerable people. We currently await the sentence.

During the first quarter of 2019, the Online Sexual Crime Team responded to 5 intelligence packages concerning those believed to be in possession of IIOC. Each one of those activities led to the identification of criminal offences.

D Division Offender Management Unit continue to proactively monitor our Registered Sex Offender Community and during this quarter the overall sexual re-offending rates are low at 0.5% of the RSO population. Re-offending primarily consists of non-sexual criminality, including non-compliance with Sex Offender Notification Requirements and Civil Preventative Orders.

The transition of pupils from Primary to Secondary education have also met the Community Officers based at Pitlochry and were provided with information and advice on how to keep themselves online.

Challenges

The challenges of emerging human trafficking risks remain apparent and this represents a new threat to operational policing. It is of note that the cultural impression of trafficking is one involving non UK national victims. The reality is such that people can be trafficked within Scotland and the UK for the purpose of sexual and labour exploitation. D Division are currently running operations to investigate where young people have been transported across the Tayside area for the purpose of sexual exploitation.

There is an emerging threat from online vigilante groups, otherwise known as paedophile hunters, who have targeted individuals across Tayside, always with the purpose of livestreaming their activities on social media. Police will respond to all such incidents, however there are risks of disruption in the community associated with the approach taken by these groups, as well as risks with evidence being gathered which later becomes inadmissible in the criminal justice system.

The increase in internet dependent offences has led to an increase in reported sexual crime and this has on occasions been down to proactivity by Police. A consequence of this is the growth in the number of Registered Sex Offenders who have committed offences online. In this area of business

there is a constant challenge in ensuring the technological capability of local and national police teams matches those of the perpetrators.

To engage with parents with the similar topic and provide education to them to keep their children safe online.

Outcome 3 –Hate Crime

Please find a synopsis of different initiatives that have been carried out throughout the division in relation to hate crime, highlighting specific elements for Perth and Kinross:

Police Scotland National Hate Crime Campaign – This took place in March 2019 with the overall aim to increase reporting of hate crime/incidents by people working in the night time economy. The campaign was supported by local activity and events throughout Tayside in order to increase public confidence and reporting and to raise awareness of the local third party reporting centres. All local third party reporting centres have been contacted to identify any issues or whether refresher training for staff is required. The Police Scotland National Equality and Diversity unit is currently undertaking a review of third party reporting processes. Since the campaign, there has been a number of incidents/crimes reported by local taxi drivers, security staff and other staff working within the night-time economy which may indicate greater awareness or willing to report as a result of the campaign.

Keep Safe Initiative – This involves a network of businesses, such as shops, libraries, cafes, who have agreed to make their premises a 'Keep Safe' place for people to go to if they feel frightened, distressed or are the victim of crime when out in the community. Disabled or elderly people who wish to take part in the initiative are issued with a contact card containing details of their name, any health concerns, communication needs and contact details for friends or family. The business displays a Keep Safe sticker in their window to let vulnerable people know that they provide a 'Keep Safe' place. If a person goes into the 'Keep Safe' place and shows their contact card to staff, they will reassure the person and ring one of the numbers on the card and/or contact the police if a crime has been committed. In order to increase the number of 'Keep Safe' places in Angus, 10 officers have been trained to assist with the identification of suitable premises and deliver training to staff.

Third Party Reporting Centres – In some cases victims and witnesses of Hate Crime do not feel comfortable reporting the matter directly to the Police, and may be more comfortable reporting it to someone they are familiar with. To ensure anyone is able to report Hate Crimes, Police Scotland works in partnership with a wide variety of partners who perform the role of third party reporting centres. These partners have been trained to assist people in submitting a report to the police, and can make such a report their behalf. Each of the local third party reporting centres has been contacted to identify any concerns and to offer refresher training for staff. Work is ongoing to identify further centres across Tayside. These include Victim Support Perth, Centre for Inclusive Living Perth and Kinross (cilpk) and Perth College UHI.

Reassurance/Community Engagement Visits - In light of the New Zealand terrorist attacks in March, visits were subsequently carried out to places of worship to provide reassurance and security advice

Ramadan – Increased attention and visits were made to the Mosques during the period.

Face Equality Day – Took place on 22 May 2019 and Police Scotland has been working in partnership with Changing Faces, a UK charity for everyone with a scar, mark or condition on their face or body that makes them look different. The Charity provides advice, support and psychosocial services to children, young people and adults. They also challenge discrimination and campaign for Face Equality. Face Equality Day was supported locally through the circulation of information on social media and to police officers and staff to ensure recognition of the impact of prejudice towards people with disfigurements.

Hate Crime Champions - Police Scotland is in the process of establishing a cadre of officers to be Hate Crime Champions who will continue in their existing role but will have an enhanced knowledge of Hate Crime and Hate Incidents and best practice when dealing with such incidents. There are already a number of Hate Crime champions within the Division and a further fifteen officers drawn from each

of the LPAs, Crime management Unit, Risk and Concern Hub and the Divisional Preventions and Interventions Department are attending this training on 25 July. The champions will assist their colleagues recognise and deal effectively with this type of incident/crime.

Constable, Equality & Diversity/Hate Crime – An officer is based within the Divisional Preventions and Interventions Department and part of their role is E&D/Hate Crime. They carry out a daily review of hate crimes/incidents in order to identify any emerging issues or repeat victims, repeat perpetrators or repeat locations so that appropriate interventions can be made which may include signposting to other agencies for support, follow-up visits, security advice, and delivery of advisory leaflets or posters for display.

The Perth and Kinross hate crime and offences detection rate for quarter one is 75%.

Maintaining public safety

Outcome 1 – Road Safety

Activity

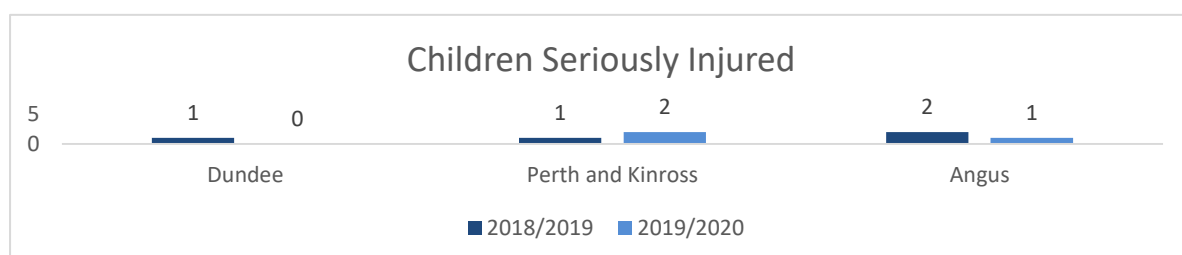
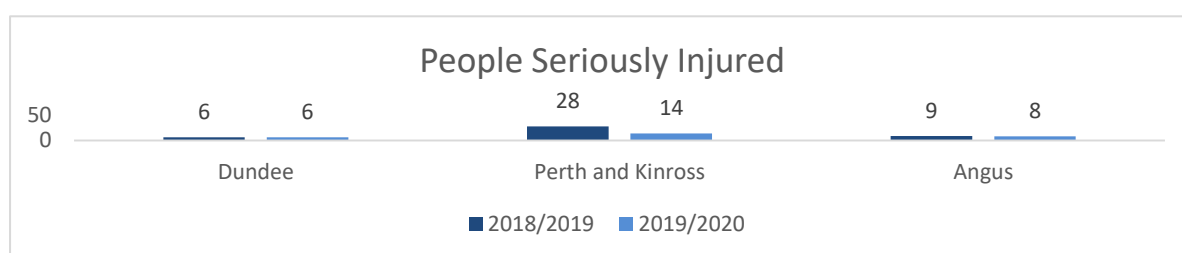
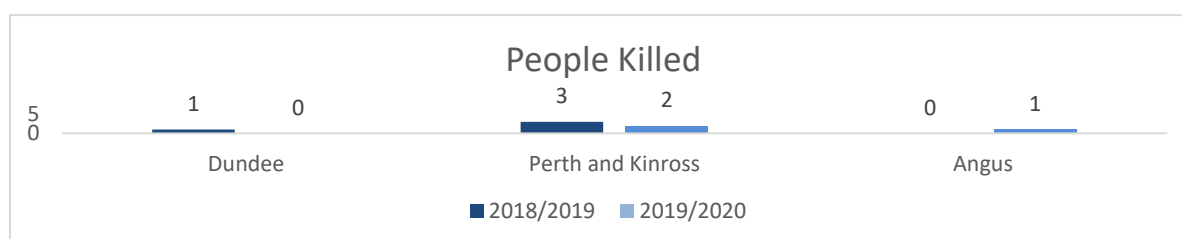
Tragically there has been 2 fatal road traffic collisions in Perth and Kinross for the period under review. On the 5 May 2019, an 81 year old female car driver was killed on the A9 Perth to Inverness road whilst on the 25 May 2019 a 42 year old male car driver was killed on the M90 motorway in Kinross-shire.

Road Safety enforcement continues to be carried out as part of routine business in Perth and Kinross 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 Road Policing 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.

Based on strategic assessment 3 priority routes have been identified within in Perth and Kinross LPA which were subject to focussed operation activity:

1. A9 Perth to Inverness road
2. A85 Perth to St Fillans road
3. A93 Perth to Blairgowrie road



No children were fatally injured during this quarter throughout the division.

Results

For the period under review a total of 5027 vehicles were stopped in the Tayside division with a number of offences being detected and reported:

1. 125 Insurance contraventions
2. 422 excise contraventions
3. 55 Driving licence contraventions

A number of offenders were warned in respect of other road traffic contraventions.

On 19th April, a vehicle deliberately struck a police vehicle in Crieff then driven by Sergeant Ross and drove off from the scene colliding with a fence near to MacRosty Park, Crieff. Officers attended and subsequently traced the male driver at Loch Earn. He was charged with several road traffic offences including another collision near to Comrie. Thankfully no persons were injured throughout the incident.

Challenges

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

Speeding

During the first quarter of 2019/20, speeding offences in Perth and Kinross overall have increased by 26%. 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 29 April 2019 and the 5th May 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 encourage changes in driving attitudes and behaviour.

On Tuesday 28th May and in partnership with Methven Primary School, Community Constables Mitchinson and Pentley completed hand held radar checks with the local primary school on the A85 outside their school. Whilst no offences were detected the older school children practiced their mathematics calculating percentages of speed through the village. This operation also attracted excellent media coverage including an interview by Constable Mitchinson for STV.

Results

During this campaign a total of 74 speeding offences were detected and reported for consideration.

Out with the campaign a vehicle was detected on the A9 Inverness to Perth road which is a priority location travelling at 123 mph, the driver has been identified and reported to the Procurator Fiscal for the consideration of prosecution.

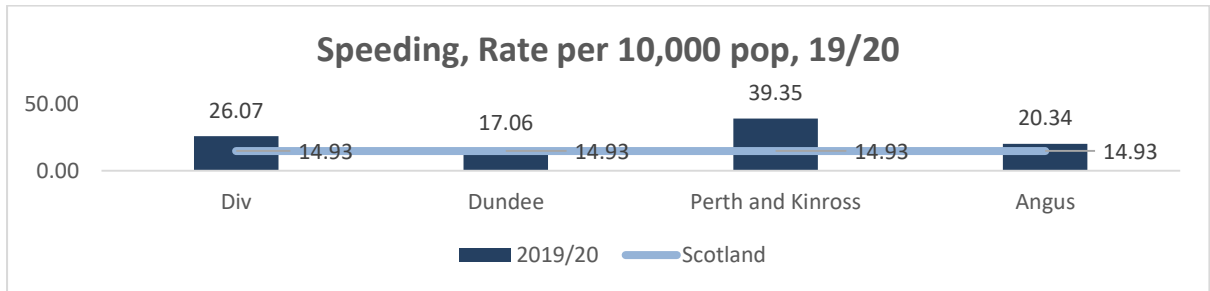
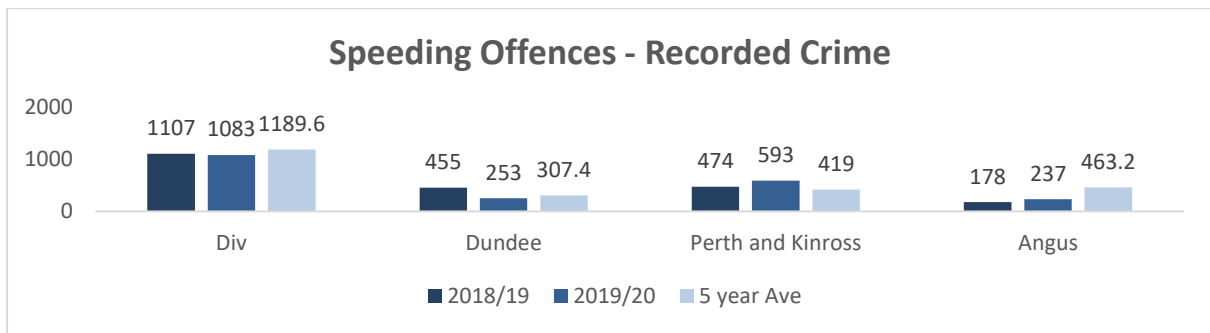
Similarly on the A94 at Kinrossie a light Goods Vehicle was detected travelling at 88mph, again the driver has been identified and reported to the Procurator Fiscal for the consideration of prosecution.

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.

Police officers not only have criminality to consider in respect of incidents they deal with however as this example demonstrates the paramount concern was the safety of the children within the address.



Drink, Drug offences including failure to provide specimen of breath

During the first quarter of 2019/20, Drink and Drug offences in in Perth and Kinross LPA overall have decreased by 2% from the 2018/19 figures. Even though this does not appear to be a significant decrease, it remains a positive step in the right direction.

Activity

Between 24 June 2019 and 7 July 2019, Police Scotland held The Summer 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 driving the morning after being under the influence.

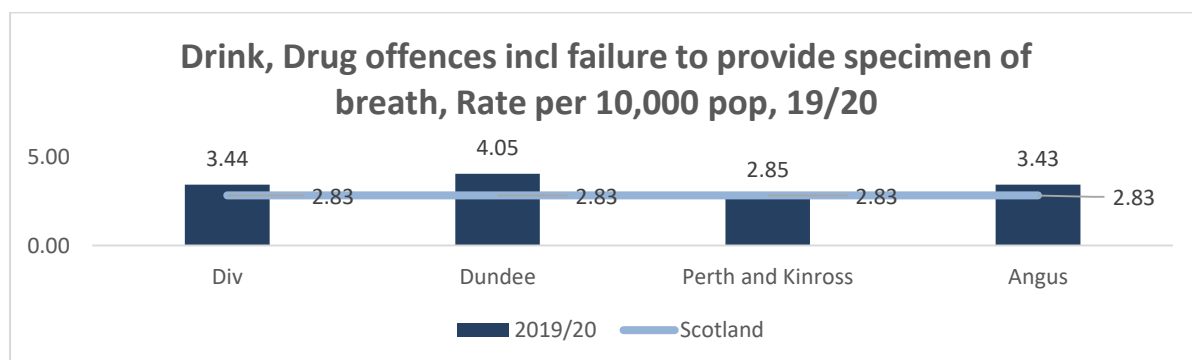
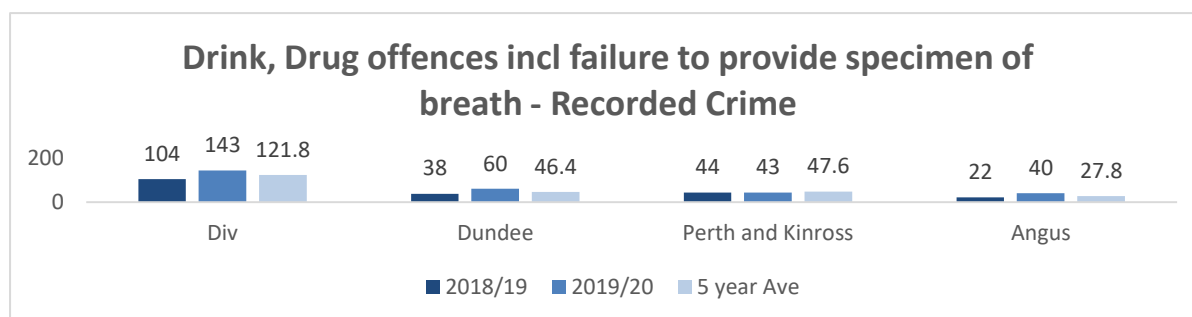
Effective use of the media to raise awareness and to actively the encourage changes in driving attitudes and behaviour. A number of media appeals were released throughout the duration of the Campaign.

Results

During this campaign across Tayside Division a total of 262 negative breath specimens were recorded and a total of 20 drink/drug drive offences were detected and subsequently reported to the Procurator fiscal for the consideration of prosecution, these figures include drivers who failed to provide a specimen for analysis.

Challenges

Considering the analytical data which highlights a 2% decrease for the period under review compared to 2018/19 for the same period is encouraging. This signifies via Police campaigns and reinforcement the message is getting through, however we continue to have road users who drive whilst under the influence which is completely unacceptable



Mobile phones

During the period under review mobile phone offences in Perth and Kinross LPA have had an 8% increase. Increased police patrols accompanied by numerous media campaigns have highlighted the dangers of using a mobile device whilst driving a motor vehicle.

Although there is a slight increase compared to 2018/19 figures, it should be borne in mind when considering analytical data for the period under review, this figure is a 57% reduction on the 5 year average.

Activity

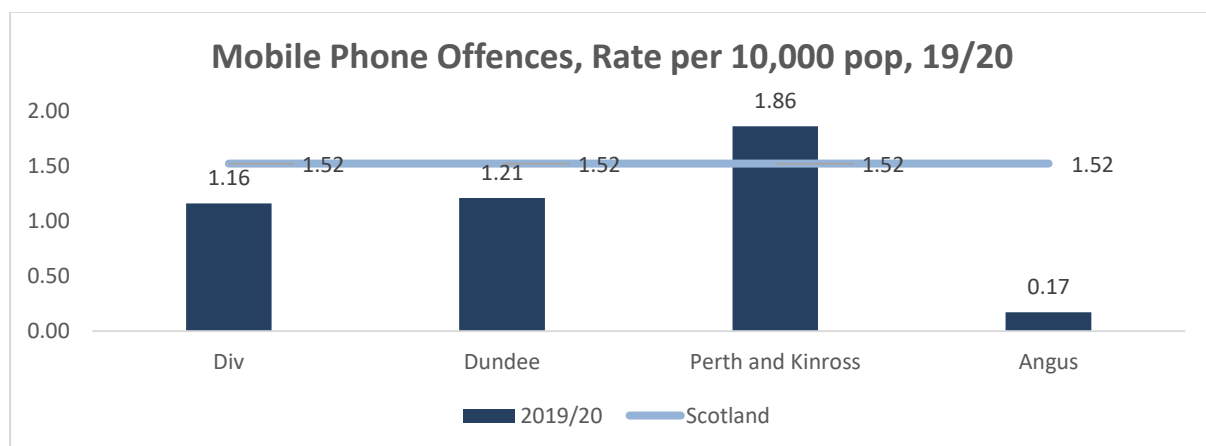
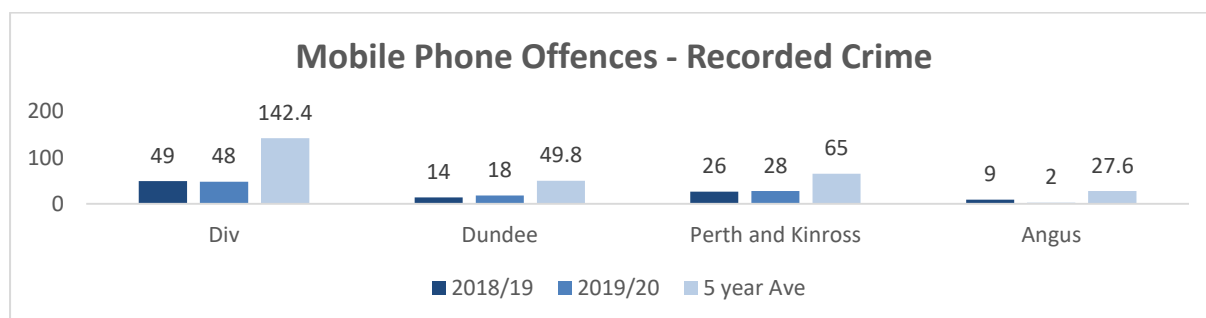
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Results

During this campaign a number of mobile phone offences were detected and reported for consideration only 10 of which were in P&K LPA. For the period under review 32 mobile phone offences have been detected across the Tayside division all of which have been dealt with robustly.

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 Perth and Kinross LPA have had a 14% decrease compared to the same for the period 2018/19. Whilst there is a 14% reduction the number of offences detected remains slightly above the 5 year average.

The decrease is attributable to a number of factors, firstly increased police patrols accompanied by numerous media campaigns which highlight the dangers of failing to buckle up.

Activity

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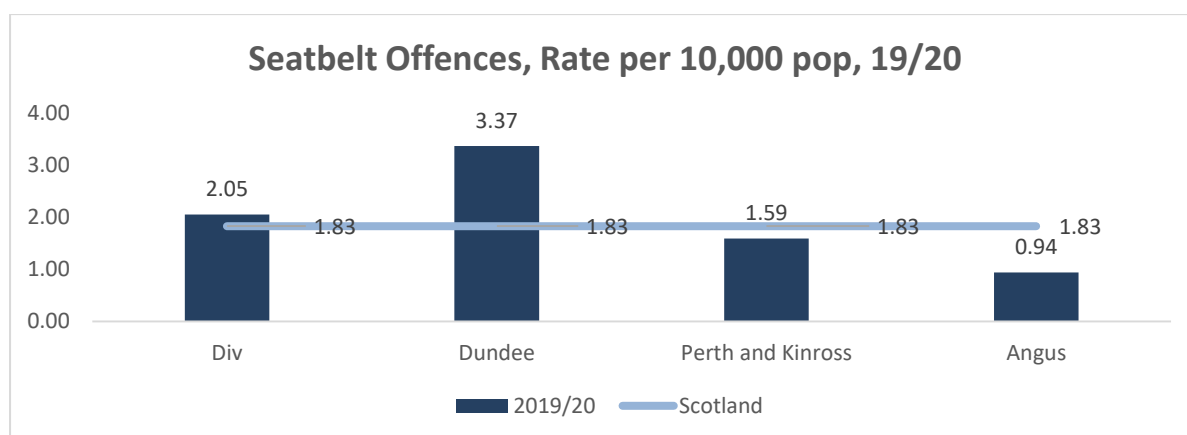
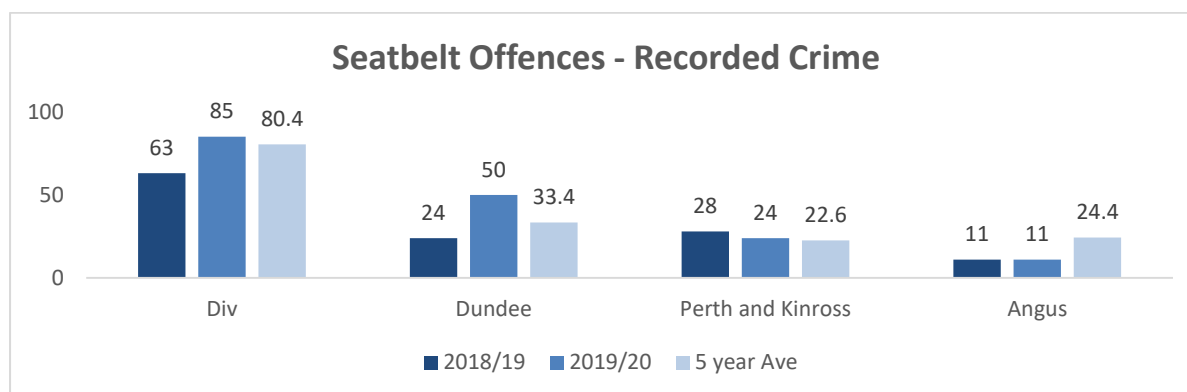
Results

During this campaign a number of seatbelt offences were detected.

For the period under review 24 seatbelt offences have been detected in Perth and Kinross LPA which is a slight reduction compared to the previous year for the same period. A total of 85 seatbelt offences were detected in the Tayside area for the first quarter.

Challenges

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 with event organisers in advance and during the event and through 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.

Perth and Kinross host a number of these events. Key events are highlighted for the area below which emphasises the diversity of activity in the area, along with the total number of events where police have been deployed:

P&K Key Events for Q1

2 Football games involving St Johnstone v Dundee
1 Football game involving St Johnstone v Livingstone
7 Perth Race meets at Scone
Etape Caledonia Cycle Race which took place over a large area of Perthshire
Two significant parades in Perth

P&K Total deployment for Q1

Police deployed to **20** events in total in the Perth & Kinross area with
1 Chief Inspector, **1** Inspector, **13** Sergeants and **139** Constables deployed over this period.

As a result of these events

Police deployed at 3 football matches where there was 1 refusal for attempting to bring alcohol into the stadium, no arrests, charges, or ejections.

Perth Races is a unique event which presents a large crowd with a diverse spread of customer in a rural setting. The organisers make every effort to minimise the risks at this event, however it does bring certain challenges which are reflected in the results. Police deployed at 7 Perth Race meets where there was 1 arrest for a minor assault, 1 arrest for failing to quit licensed premises, 2 ejections for being drunk, 12 crime reports in relation to drugs offences with over 30 searches carried out and approximately 42 refusals/ejections. This period saw the organiser work closely with police with the implementation of an increased focus on searching along with a new welfare area aimed at driving down Controlled Drugs offences and minimising the risks associated with misuse. This event saw a reduction in other reported offences such as public order and assault over the same period.

There were no policing issues at the remaining events.

Outcome 3 – CONTEST

CONTEST is the UK Government's Counter Terrorism Strategy. It was first developed by the Home Office in early 2003. The aim of the strategy is "to reduce the risk to the UK and its interests overseas from terrorism, so that people can go about their lives freely and with confidence."

CONTEST is split into four work streams that are known within the counter terrorism community as the 'four P's': *Prevent, Pursue, Protect, and Prepare*.

- **Pursue:** the investigation and disruption of terrorist attacks.
- **Prevent:** work to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism or extremism.
- **Protect:** improving our protective security to stop a terrorist attack.
- **Prepare:** working to minimise the impact of an attack and to recover from it as quickly as possible.

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CONTEST UPDATE

Protective security advice and personal security information briefings have been delivered to staff of all Tayside Division Members of Parliament. This is in conjunction with the work and surveys carried out in relation to g Operation Bridger.

Security advice and reassurance briefings have also been provided to Tayside Division Mosques following terrorist attacks in New Zealand.

CONTEST and Protective security advice has been provided to staff at various outward bound locations across Tayside in order to raise awareness that people who are prepared to carry out terrorist attacks may travel to remote areas, holiday locations, or to multi-activity centres as part of their planning phase. The information highlighted to staff is so that they were alert but not alarmed and to ensure they are comfortable reporting any matters of concern to police.

Briefings and inputs have bene delivered to carers and professionals regarding vulnerability and exploitation of young people. These input also included Domestic Extremism awareness.

CONTEST and Online safety awareness inputs have been provided to foster carers within Tayside.

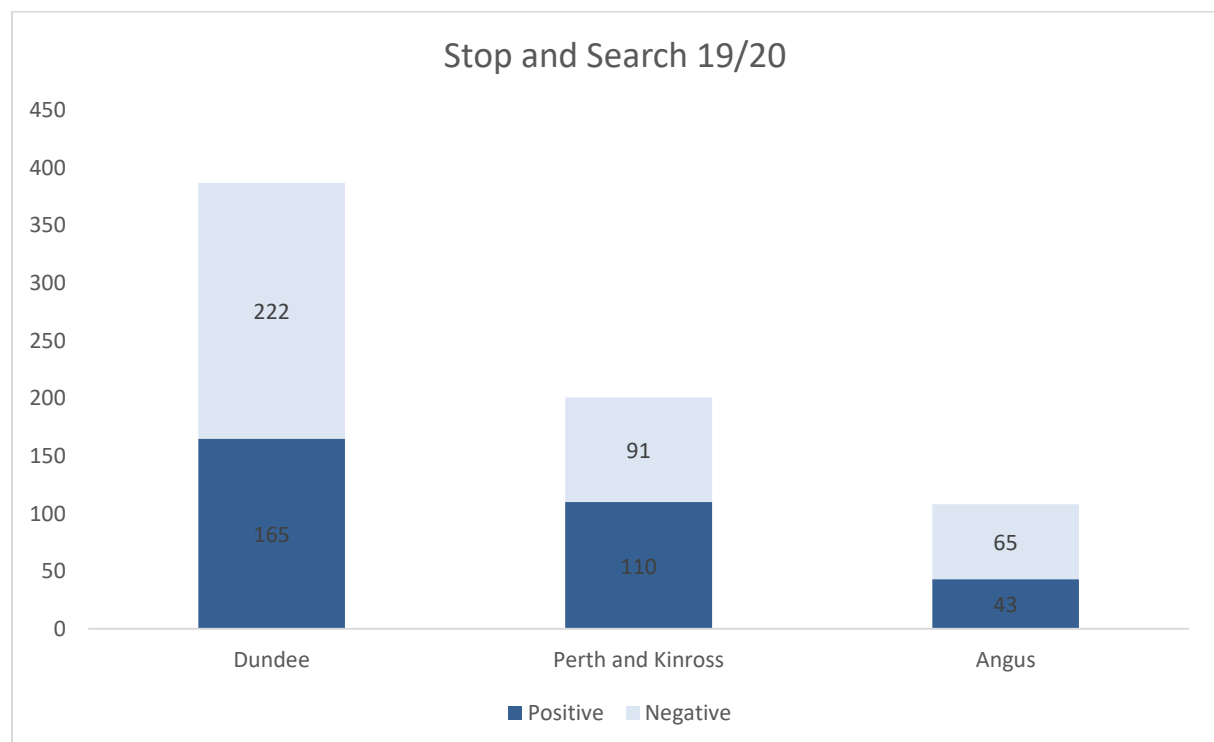
Multiagency Prevent Professional Concerns Case Conference table top exercises have been planned and delivered in both Dundee and Perth. The aim of these were to ensure the preparedness of partners for dealing with a Prevent Professional Concern referrals. These exercises were led by the Local Authorities and designed to involve a wide range of partners taking part in referral discussions.

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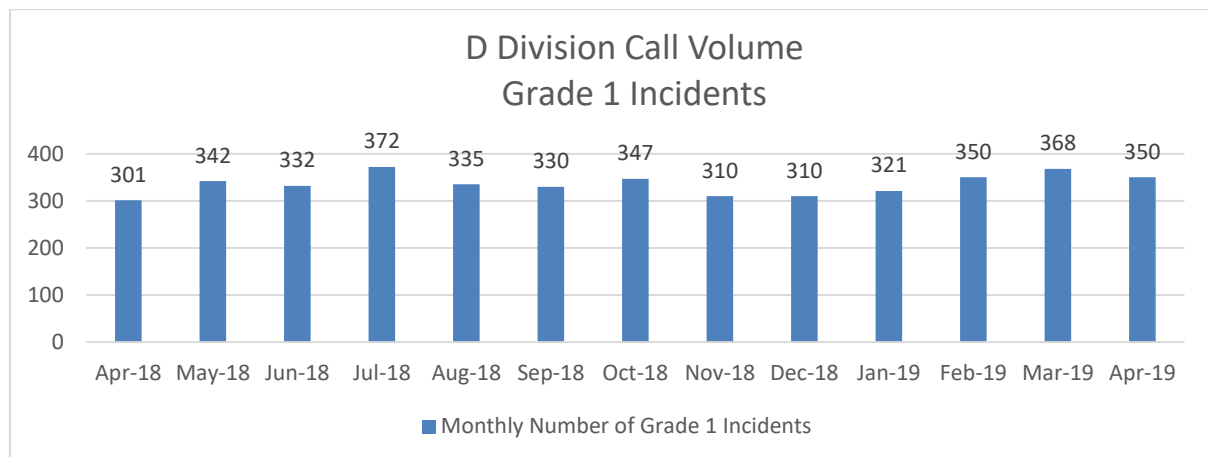
Stop and search

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

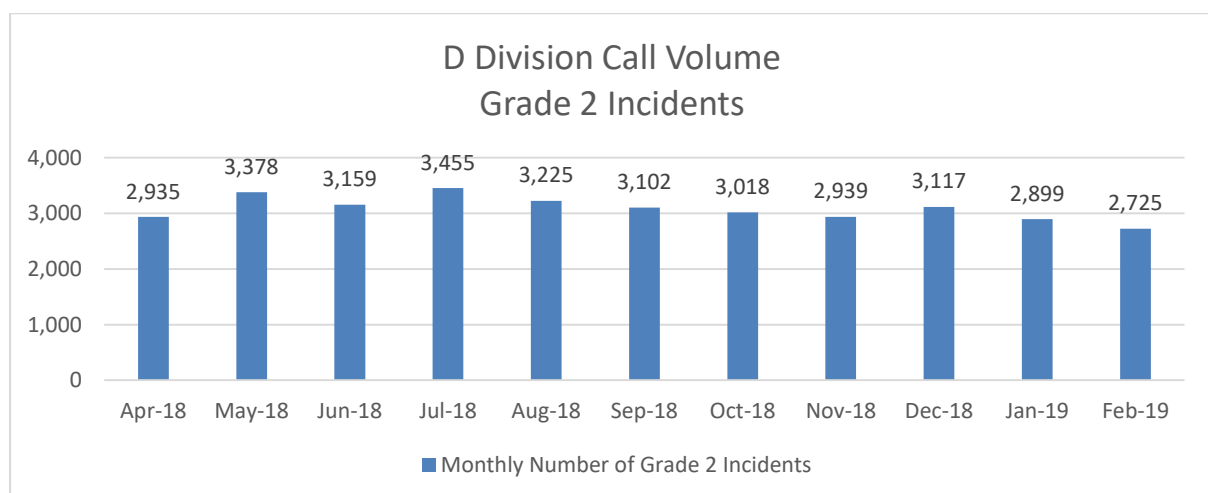
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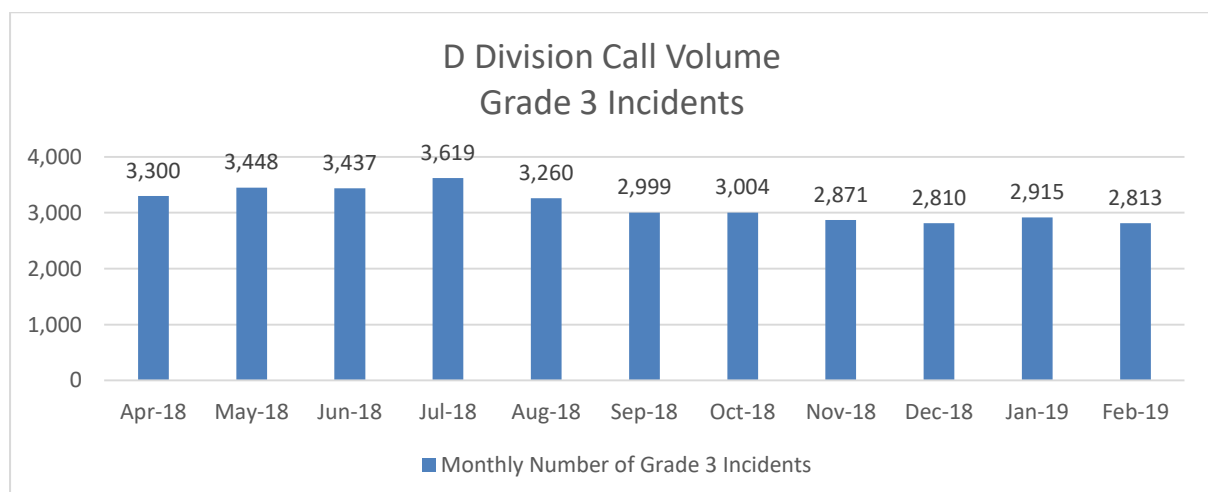
Data extracted from STORM Unity showing data from 00:00:00 on the first of each month until 23:59:59 on the last day of each month. Figures include all resourced incidents (except diary calls) including those which have been generated by police, e.g. pre planned events such as firearms operations or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



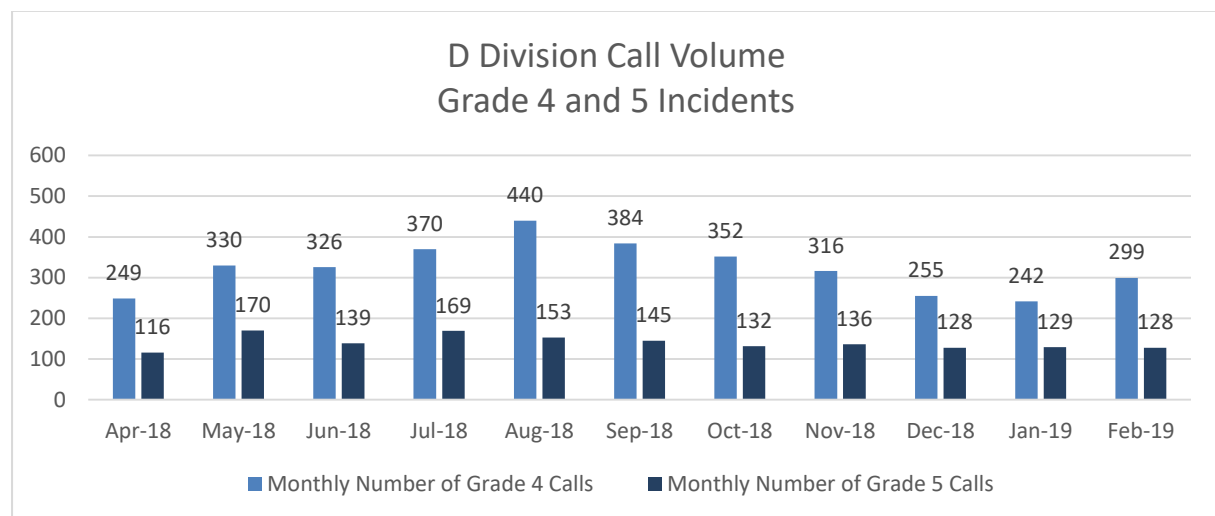
Grade 1: IMMEDIATE - An ongoing incident with an immediate or apparent threat to life or a serious crime in progress.



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 Period ³ | | | | |
|-------------------------|---|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | 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 & 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.