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Commander's Bulletin

PERTH & KINROSS 22nd July 2026



Meet your new Perth City Centre

Community Officers

Police Constables Cochrane and Milne are the new dedicated Community Officers for Perth city centre.

You will see PC Cochrane and Milne carrying out regular high-visibility patrols throughout the city centre, engaging with local businesses, residents and visitors, and working closely with partner agencies to help keep Perth a safe and welcoming place for everyone.

Their role is focused on tackling community concerns, preventing crime and antisocial behaviour, while building positive relationships with those who live, work and visit the city centre.

The team's first week has already seen a positive impact.

Through proactive patrols and targeted activity, officers have recovered several weapons, seized a number Class A and Class C controlled drugs, issued Fixed Penalty Notices for a range of offences, and made a number of arrests in connection with disorder within the city centre.

This work forms part of our ongoing commitment to tackling crime and antisocial behaviour while ensuring Perth remains a safe place for everyone.



If you see PC Cochrane or Milne while they are out on patrol, please don't hesitate to stop and have a chat. Whether you have concerns to raise, information to share or simply want to introduce yourself, they are always happy to engage with the community and hear about the issues that matter most to you.

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PSYV Perth in the Community

Our Police Scotland Youth Volunteers have been busy giving back to the local community over the past couple of weeks and we couldn't be prouder of their efforts.

They have been volunteering with Perth Community Garden helping tidy up the garden at Perth Train Station and also at the grand opening of Kingfisher House Care Home where they welcomed guests, chatted with residents and helped create a warm and friendly atmosphere.

Well done to all our volunteers who continue to give up their time to make a positive difference in their communities.





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Local News and Updates

Four men, a woman and a male youth have been arrested in the Perth and Kinross area following a week of action by officers as part of an operation by officers to tackle domestic abuse.

Between Monday 29th June and Sunday 5th July, four men aged 60, 25, 39 and 43 and a woman aged 41 were arrested and charged in connection with various offences.

A 17-year-old male youth was also arrested and will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal

Enquiries are ongoing to establish the cause of a fire at a derelict building in Strathtay Road, Perth in the early hours of Friday 17th July.

The fire was discovered by officers who were out on patrol.

A 23-year-old man has been sentenced to 8 years in prison for causing the death of a teenager in a crash on the B9099 between Luncarty and Stanley in the early hours of Sunday 1st September 2024.

Kyle Patrick was sentenced at the High Court in Glasgow on Wednesday 8th July, having previously pled guilty to causing death by dangerous driving and causing serious injury by dangerous driving.

Erin Slaine, 19, was the front seat passenger in the car that Patrick was driving. He drove with her, and another female back seat passenger, at speeds of up to 119 mph while being 3 times over the drink drive limit.

Erin was pronounced dead at the scene. Patrick and the other passenger were taken to hospital for treatment.

A 31-year-old man has been arrested and charged in connection with a serious assault in Perth.

The incident happened on Wednesday 8th July on High Street.

About 3am, Tuesday 14th July, a dark blue Ford Fiesta ST was stolen from Scoonieburn Hill, Perth. The vehicle was last seen being driven towards Edinburgh Road. At the time of the theft, the car was bearing the registration JE56 BEE

About 8:30pm, Saturday 11th July officers from the Road Policing Unit observed a male driving in Hall Crescent, Burrelton, without wearing a seatbelt. The signalled for the driver to stop, which he initially did before reversing at speed before he exited the vehicle and made off.

After a short foot chase, the driver, a 46 year old man, was apprehended. A baseball bat and a bread knife were found within the vehicle. The driver was found to be the holder of a provisional licence only.

A report detailing the circumstances will be submitted to the Procurator Fiscal.

About 8am, Friday 17th July, 2 males forced open the rear garden gate at a property in Struan Road, Perth before making attempts to gain entry via the kitchen door.

Suspect 1 is described as thin build, wearing a black jacket with the hood up, also wearing a black cap and sunglasses and carrying a camouflage rucksack.

Suspect 2 is described as medium build, wearing a black ski mask, black rain jacket, red gloves and black trousers.

A 40 year old woman was arrested for drink driving after crashing her vehicle on the B920 between Scotlandwell and Ballingry on Monday 13th July.



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Links and Further Information

As we receive reports of crime, the information is shared on

<https://www.pkcommunitywatch.co.uk/>

I would encourage you to sign up for notifications.

Guidance on how to protect your property is available via Community Watch as well as on the Police Scotland Website, just click or copy and paste the following link:-

<https://www.scotland.police.uk/advice-and-information/>

Keep up to date with everything we are doing and all appeals by visiting the following sites:-

<https://twitter.com/policescotland>

<https://www.facebook.com/PoliceScotland>

<http://www.scotland.police.uk>

<http://www.pkcommunitywatch.co.uk>

Your Community Policing Teams

Inspectors

PERTH CITY CENTRE – PI Steve Gray

PERTHSHIRE NORTH – PI James Longden

Blairgowrie & Glens, Highland, Strathtay, Strathmore, Carse of Gowrie

PERTHSHIRE SOUTH – PI Kris McCall

Strathearn, Strathallan, Almond & Earn, Kinross-shire

Your Community Policing Teams

If you wish to make contact with your local community Officer please use the following e-mail address:

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Regards,

Jamie Allen

Local Area Commander

Perth and Kinross