

Police Scotland Ward update noted etc.

6 There was heard a report by Chief Inspector Maxwell Shaw, Police Scotland, advising the Partnership that

- (1) crimes of violence were down by a quarter in the past 3 months versus the same period the previous year;
- (2) anti social behaviour had decreased by 10% versus the same period the previous year;
- (3) drug supply had dropped by 50% versus the same period the previous year, however very little reports had come from the public;
- (4) vehicle theft crimes had increased, however an arrest had recently been made in relation to majority of these;
- (5) there had been a general increase of traffic offences owing to targeted action plans which recently included operations on Edinburgh Road and Police Scotland encouraged the public to report areas of concerns for action plans to be in place;
- (6) Police Scotland had been working with HMP Barlinnie in relation to combat the use of drones for illegal activity;
- (7) funding had ended to tackle retail crime however, the newly established Retail Crime Task Force would continue to tackle these issues;
- (8) Police Scotland were aware of recent issues involving youths on E-bikes and weapon carrying and action had been taken in relation this and where possible they would also hold their parents/guardians to account by charging them and seizing the E-bike; and
- (9) Police Scotland would follow up on reports and asked for members to remain vigilant and report any incidents to Police Scotland.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) thanked Chief Inspector Maxwell Shaw for the update and the work carried out by Police Scotland in the Ward.