

## **Police Scotland ward update noted.**

**6** There was heard a report by Inspector Maxwell Shaw, Police Scotland, advising

- (1) that over the last 3 months there had been a reduction in assaults, house break-ins, vandalism and anti-social behaviour and that the detection rates for drug supply had increased due to community intelligence;
- (2) of increased vehicle thefts and that inquiries were ongoing and of the proactive measures during the summer period that had resulted in a reduction in motor offences, drink driving and dangerous driving;
- (3) of the summer events in the ward area that had involved a large number of police resources and planning;
- (4) of the 10-week youth engagement pilot programme that involved a 3 service approach with Police Scotland, Ambulance and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (PAFS), based in Calton Fire Station that involved children from local schools who had participated in sessions that focused on first aid training, diversity and safety in the community; and
- (5) that Bonfire preparation work had commenced and that a continuation of the joint control approach adopted last year would be in force this year.

After consideration, the Partnership

- (a) noted the report; and
- (b) raised questions in relation to
  - (i) the summer events, unexpected or expected events that had involved large gatherings of fans, particularly at trophy presentation time and of the multiagency approach for future events, with Inspector Maxwell Shaw advising that unofficial events had involved police reaction and preparation work carried out in advance and of the difficulties to prevent future unapproved events and hoped that football clubs, Council and Police Scotland would come together to put in place a planning mechanism;
  - (ii) confiscated cash from the seizure of drugs and the process of getting money back into the areas affected, with Inspector Maxwell Shaw advising of the process in place through the Proceeds of Crime Act and Procurator Fiscal.