

Keeping People Safe in Greater Glasgow

Our Purpose—To improve the safety and wellbeing of people, places and communities in Scotland

Glasgow City Local Policing Plan 2025/26 - Q2





Welcome to the latest Glasgow City Local Police Plan update. This report contains management information for quarter two of the year April 2025- March 2026.

The report provides details of ongoing work and initiatives which have commenced or have taken place in the Glasgow City area between 1st July 2025 and 30th September 2025.

Public Health

2025/26-Quarterly Report Q2 1st July 25– 30th September 25

Quarter two saw various events and high profile enquiries. There were unplanned protests and demonstrations that required a significant policing response. There were many planned events including football fixtures and music events alongside increased number of public processions and parades. This, coupled with Operation Roll and Operation Oclate, the visits of President Trump and Vice President Vance, there was considerable demand placed on officers to keep people safe. To ensure these events were successfully delivered and policed without serious issue, we continued to work closely with partners, implementing local plans to minimise disruption to our communities.

Greater Glasgow Police Division has continued to actively pursue a Public Health approach to Policing.

Suicide Prevention and Mental Health have been areas where there has been a focus on preventative action and a multi-agency approach, including supporting the launch of a new Suicide Awareness Through Sport Campaign which utilises sport to engage the community, raise awareness of mental health issues and sign-post individuals to support services. A meeting was held with the lead for Scottish Sports Futures which established partnership working to support Young People and mental health through sport, aligning with the values of Suicide Awareness Through Sport.

A meeting was held with Superintendent McMurdo at The Nook, run by the Scottish Association for Mental Health (SAMH) in Glasgow which established key partnership working mechanisms, specifically aiming to develop a possible pathway for those in crisis to be safely directed from Police interaction to SAMH's mental health support services.

Various other pieces of multi-agency work are ongoing in relation to Suicide Prevention, this will continue

Public Satisfaction

<u>User experience surveys</u> indicate satisfaction levels with policing remain high. On average this quarter, satisfaction levels are higher than national levels of 64%, with 67% of respondents indicating that they are satisfied or very satisfied with their overall experience.

<u>Complaints</u> - In Q2 of 2025/26 a total of 191 complaints were received compared to 219 complaints the PYTD which is a decrease of 14.66%. The number of allegations also decreased from 366 PYTD to 337 YTD which is a decrease of 8.61% (Appendix A).



Plan on a Page

| Policing for a safe, protected and resilient Scotland Our vision

Our purpose | Improve the safety and wellbeing of people, places and communities in Scotland Our values | Fairness, Integrity, Respect, Human Rights

PUBLIC HEALTH

Glasgow City Policing Priorities Our Local

Our Objectives

Sexual Cybercrime Acquisitive

responsive police service

Crime

Crime Hote

& Disorder Violence

> Reducing the crimes of greatest concern & detecting offenders

CRIME

The public, communities and partners

positive working environment, enabling Our people are supported through a them to serve the public

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licensed Glasgow

> Football Events

Processions

Concerts &events

Ensuring the safety of participants & being responsive to community

concems

EVENTS & OPERATIONS

PERSON CENTRED APPROACH

Assemblies

adaptable and prepared for future challenges Police Scotland is sustainable

Strategic Outcomes

Threats to public safety and wellbeing are resolved by a proactive and

The needs of local communities are addressed through effective service delivery

> Adult/Child protection

/iolence against

Prog Harm

Mental Health

most vulnerable to reduce harm

Working with partners and the

COMMUNITY WELLBEING

Safety Road

women/girls

are engaged, involved and have confidence in policing

PARTNERSHIPS

whilst promoting Glasgow's Vision and helping to deliver the Glasgow City Council Strategic Focusing on our local policing priorities, we aim to deliver the positive outcomes highlighted,

Drug supply &

Serious

&firearms Interventions trafficking Violence manufacture

Homa

Feuds

Divert Deter Detect & Disrupt SERIOUS ORGANISED CRIME

organised criminality in our

communities

PREVENTION & EARLY INTERVENTION

Plan key themes: inequality, tackling poverty, driving inclusive growth and fighting the

climate emergency

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Crime

Overall violent crime has increased by 2.8% from PYTD, and increased 6% from 3 years mean with 3,261 violent crimes recorded this YTD, 3,203 PYTD and a 3 year average of 3,172

Detection rates for overall violent crime have slightly increased from the previous scrutiny report of 63.4% to 67.5% YTD.

OVERALL VIOLENT CRIME **Overall Violent Crime 3261 3172 3074.33

Murder

Operation Flockeet

Officers were called to a report of a 40yr old deceased male. On attendance the deceased was noted to have numerous injuries, a 35-year-old female was arrested and charged in connection with this incident.

Sexual Offences

On 13th September a report of a young female who was sexually assaulted in the back of a vehicle by 2 unknown males before being left outside a hotel. Officers immediately reacted, gathered early evidence managed to identify the vehicle though ANPR and arrest the suspects.

Operation Greyfen

On Saturday the 13th of September 2025 human remains were discovered near to Firkin point. Enquiries confirmed that these remains are that of a 38 year old male. A 51 year old male, a 53 year old male and a 47 year old female have been arrested and charged. This incident required a significant Policing operation to support numerous locations over a lengthy period

There have been 699 sexual crimes reported YTD, this is a 28% increase from the PYTD of 548, and a 34% increase from the 3 year average of 520. In the vast majority of these incidents the offenders are known to victims and loci are in the main private spaces.

Our Public Protection Unit continue to manage large workloads and deliver an excellent service to victims.

Hate Crime

There have been 56 hate incidents YTD matching the 56 hate incidents of the PYTD.

Recorded Hate Crimes have seen a 18.8% increase to 681 reported from 573 PYTD. The largest percentage increase is religiously motivated Hate Crimes, increasing by 38.6% from 44 PYTD to 61 YTD.

Hate crime detections are currently sitting at 62.9%, which is a 6.1% decrease from PYTD of 67%.

Safer Communities and local LPST attended various events and engagements hosted by local vulnerable and protected communities. In light of current tensions, officers supported Glasgow Reform Synagogue to conduct a Crime Prevention Survey to highlight ways to improve current security measures and provided additional reassurance to our Jewish Community.

Our Safer Community Teams also attended at the Scottish Refugee Council and Interfaith Glasgow to discuss how to report Hate Incidents/Crimes and how they can support victims.

Community Wellbeing

Safer Communities

'Lead the Change' youth development programme was put in place in Greater Easterhouse from July to September 2025 in response to increased youth violence and anti-social behaviour over the same period in 2024.

The Local Problem Solving Team, in partnership with Easterhouse Sports Centre engaged with a group of youth offenders and offered dynamic outcome based physical challenges, team-building exercises, and personal development sessions.

The programme was positively received and served to beat barriers between groups. Youth crime, specifically violence, significantly reduced and the legacy of the programme resulted in these youths being signposted to vocational employment opportunities.

Railway Children

One Glasgow have launched a new multiagency approach with the Railway Children to support vulnerable young people.

This new service is designed to support young people who are at risk of child criminal exploitation, to provide tailored mentoring, pro social support, educational attainment and employability to ensure best outcomes.

The new service is a joint partnership alongside Greater Glasgow HSCP, Intensive Services Social Work and part of the wider joint commitment to improving the lives of our young people.

Safer Communities

Local officers in Maryhill have now received SelectaDNA forensic tagging spray to add an investigative option to identify and deter offenders who use off road bikes illegally and anti-socially across the subdivision. We have been working with GCC NRS and Parks services to erect signage, warning those who use them that the spray is now in use.

A communications message is being prepared to highlight and act as a deterrent. This has proven to be effective in other divisions where the media appeal alone resulted in a significant decrease in anti-social behaviour caused by off road vehicles.

Protecting Vulnerable Groups

Operation Waterdale

Operation Waterdale reinforces our commitment to tackling Violence against Woman and Girls, by responding to prostitution and associated offences in the Calton ward area, Operation Waterdale continues to be led locally by Community Officers, supported by the Public Protection Unit.

A Public Health approach remains central to this and is focussed on those individuals seeking to obtain services. Our work in close partnership with Routes Out (third sector partner) continues to ensure meaningful engagement with women and girls engaged in sex work. A joint Action Plan is currently underway to tackle an increase in offences in and around the area of the Necropolis, Duke Street, Hunter Street and Barrack Street. This has resulted in greatly enhanced intelligence being obtained and an increase in suspects for various offences being identified /charged.

Community Wellbeing

Focused Scam/Fraud awareness inputs were delivered to over 150 staff and service users across five Day Care Centres in the Glasgow area. These centres provide crucial support to Elderly and Additional Needs groups. The primary purpose of these sessions was to provide members of these particularly vulnerable groups with essential information and practical advice to safeguard themselves against criminal exploitation and to signpost advice and support.

Safer Communities

We are receiving reports of incidences of antisocial behaviour and gatherings within the City Centre from Community Councils and forums such as the Graham Business District Forum. Businesses at St Enoch Square, in particular, are reporting that individuals congregating are impacting their businesses and the feeling of safety of their staff.

Officers continue to patrol these areas during business hours and into the evening. We are in regular conversations with partner agencies to positively tackle criminality and seek City Centre Exclusion Orders and other deterrents whenever reasonable and proportionate.

Safer Communities

Operation Dynos

Officers in the East End of Glasgow have been working in partnership with the National Retail Crime Task Force to tackle the rising number of reported theft by shoplifting offences. Using partnership funding and support a range of initiatives have resulted in a number of individuals being reported for new and historical offences including thefts and assaults of retail workers.

Of note, seven individuals were identified as significant nominals of Operation Dynos. Through this proactive, focussed approach there has been a significant improvement in engagement with stores such as Morrisons and Aldi where retail crime has been on the rise for a period of time.

Cybercrime

Safety Inputs were delivered to over 900 Chinese students who had recently commenced their studies at the Glasgow International College. These inputs focused on the general safety and wellbeing of students while studying and residing in Glasgow. A critical component being on Scam and Fraud awareness, recognising the vulnerability of new international students to targeted criminal schemes.

During Fresher's Week, officers attended Colleges and Universities in the city to provide similar comprehensive safety and crime prevention advice to new students for the coming academic year..

Officers delivered a Child Cyberharm Prevention input delivered to 143 members of Barclays staff at their Glasgow Campus. This was delivered to their workplace parents forum to protect their children online. This was positively received and a second input will be delivered shortly.

Events and Operations

Counter Terrorism

Greater Glasgow Counter Terrorism Liaison launched the CT Webinar Wednesday campaign in May 2025. These inputs have been designed to engage as many professionals as possible within the Greater Glasgow area with information to support the Prevent and Protect areas of the CONTEST strategy.

The content delivered includes Home Office Prevent Awareness and Extremism modules, Action Counters Terrorism (ACT) and See Check and Notify (SCaN). All are nationally produced approved products, which can be tailored to the needs of the audience.

Modules include Introduction to Extremism, Identifying and Responding to Suspicious Activity, Antisemitism, Identifying and Dealing with Suspicious Items, Emerging/Other Extremism Including Incel, Bomb Threats, Islamist Extremism, Extreme Right Wing, Responding to a Marauding Attacker and Online Threats.

The audience range for these inputs has been vast including Police, Scottish Fire and Rescue, Local Authority ERPs, Social Work, Health (NHS/HSCP), Education, Adult education (HE/FE), senior management of various statutory partners, Scottish Prison Service, Retailers, Transport (First bus/Scot Rail), Youth Intervention Providers, private sector business and shopping centres. To date 768 people have attended our workshops.

Highlights

Looking forward into Q3 of 2025/26 this will be one of the busiest periods for the whole of the Glasgow City area. Numerous music events, community gatherings and football matches, both domestic and international are due to take place.

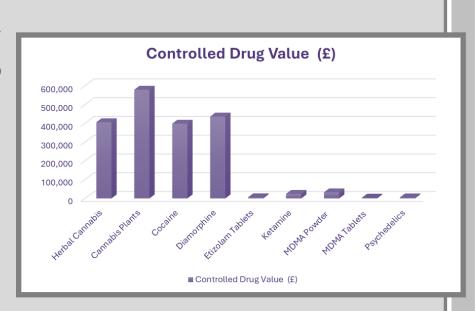
Operation Moonbeam and Operation Academia have focused on the Bonfire Night Weekend which is notorious for an increase in antisocial behaviour owing to the illegal sale of fireworks and construction of bonfires. Working with partners ensure d that the first firework control zones were in operation and relevant dispersal orders were in place for the duration to keep our residents safe.

Finally, in December, the festive period will see an increase in both vehicular and pedestrian traffic to visit Christmas Markets, the largest of these due to be constructed in the St Enochs Square and Glasgow Green area. There will also be Hogmanay celebrations which will see large gatherings throughout the division, in both commercial and domestic premises, appropriate Police Plans will be in place.

Serious Organised Crime

Recoveries

Controlled drugs Herbal Cannabis	Value £405,697
Cannabis Plants	£578,910
Cocaine	£397,905
Diamorphine	£436,100
Etizolam Tablets	£6,000
Ketamine	£24,085
MDMA Powder	£32,321
MDMA Tablets	£3,860
Psychedelics	£5,202



POCA & Asset seizures

Cash Money - £380,578

POCA - £36,750

Operation Metermaid

Operation Metermaid is an on-going operation tackling the drug procurement, dealing and usage issues in the Drygate area.

On 3rd July 2025 officers from Proactive CID executed MDA warrants in a preplanned day of executive action in relation to Operation Metermaid. At this time, they recovered 8Kg of cocaine (valued at £196,000) and 7kg of heroin (valued at £175,000) from an address in Blyth Place, Glasgow.

This quarter has been extremely successful for Op Metermaid, SOC and Pro-active units have seized over £450,000 worth of controlled drugs, assets and cash, all linked to drug activity in the Drygate area.

Glasgow Pro-Active seizures

- On 23rd August 2025 officers from SAOC Disruptions executed a MDA warrant on Lawrence Street, Glasgow, whereby they recovered 37.5Kg of herbal cannabis (valued £150,000), 1kg ketamine (valued £5,000) and £45,655 cash was also seized.
- On 15th October 2025 officers from SAOC Disruptions executed a MDA and evidential warrant, they recovered 27.27kg of cannabis, 5.2kg of cannabis resin, 666g of Psilocybin (mushrooms), 36 THC vapes, numerous edibles with a combined street value of £135,535. They also recovered £10,500 in cash.

