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

## Glasgow City Local Policing Plan 2025/26 - Q1



**2025/26-Quarterly Report Q1**  
**1st April 25– 30th June 25**

Welcome to the latest Glasgow City Local Police Plan update. This report contains management information for quarter one 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 April 2025 and 30th June 2025.

Quarter one saw a number of football matches and public processions taking place, which placed considerable demand on officers to keep people safe. To ensure these events were successfully delivered and policed without serious issue, we continue to work closely with partners, implementing local plans to minimise disruption to our communities.

### Public Health

All policing sub divisions in Glasgow have now been trained in the use of Compassionate Distress Response Service (CDRS) with a direct out of hours pathway for Police. In addition, school engagement initiatives are actively delivering mental health inputs to young people, helping to build resilience and awareness from an early age.

Safe talk training has also commenced for officers within Police Scotland, with a structured plan to ensure its continual roll out across the force. Planning is well underway for a major Suicide Prevention Campaign to coincide with National Suicide Awareness Day in September, in partnership with PAPYRUS UK. This campaign will include a strong focus on suicide prevention through sport,

working with high-profile partners such as Rangers FC, Hampden Stadium, Partick Thistle FC and Glasgow Warriors Rugby. Prominent signposting will also be involved in sport stadiums via Hopeline 247 (PAPYRUS), as well as through posters, media content and matchday programs to reach as wide an audience as possible.

There will also be continued engagement and attendance at the GC&C suicide prevention group and Alcohol and Drug Partnership (ADP) meetings ensuring a joined up approach across all sectors. Probationer officers are receiving specific inputs on public health as part of their core training equipping them with the knowledge and skills to better understand and address the underlying issues within communities.

### Public Satisfaction

**User experience** surveys indicate satisfaction levels with policing remain high. On average this quarter, satisfaction levels are higher than national levels of 60.9, with 73.5% of respondents indicating that they are satisfied or very satisfied with their overall experience.

**Complaints** - In Q1 of 2025/26 a total of 193 complaints were received compared to 269 complaints the PYTD which is a decrease of 28.3%. The number of allegations also decreased from 454 PYTD to 376 YTD which is a decrease of 17.2% (Appendix A).



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Glasgow City**

**Our vision** | Policing for a safe, protected and resilient Scotland  
**Our purpose** | Improve the safety and wellbeing of people, places and communities in Scotland  
**Our values** | Fairness, Integrity, Respect, Human Rights

## PUBLIC HEALTH

### Our Local Policing Priorities

**CRIME**  
Reducing the crimes of greatest concern & detecting offenders

**COMMUNITY WELLBEING**  
Working with partners and the most vulnerable to reduce harm

**EVENTS & OPERATIONS**  
Ensuring the safety of participants & being responsive to community concerns

**SERIOUS ORGANISED CRIME**  
Divert, Detect & Disrupt organised criminality in our communities

Violence & Disorder  
Hate Crime  
Acquisitive Crime  
Sexual Crime  
Cybercrime

Mental Health  
Drug Harm  
Violence against women/girls  
Road Safety  
Adult/Child protection

Concerts & events  
Processions & Assemblies  
Football Events  
Licensed Glasgow economy

Faiths & firearms  
Interventions  
Human trafficking  
Serious Violence  
Drug supply & manufacture

### Our Objectives

### Strategic Outcomes

Threats to public safety and wellbeing are resolved by a proactive and responsive police service

The needs of local communities are addressed through effective service delivery

The public, communities and partners are engaged, involved and have confidence in policing

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

Police Scotland is sustainable, adaptable and prepared for future challenges

## PARTNERSHIPS

## PERSON CENTRED APPROACH

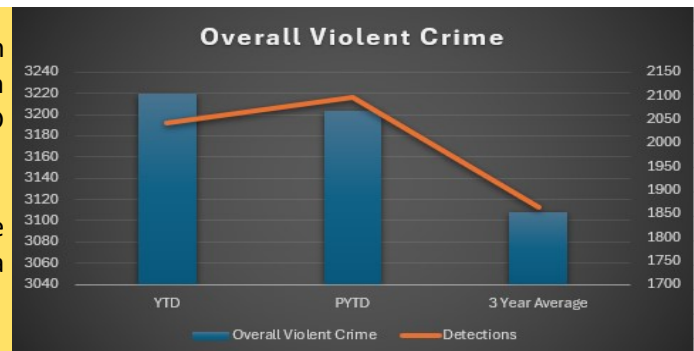
## PREVENTION & EARLY INTERVENTION

Focusing on our local policing priorities, we aim to deliver the positive outcomes highlighted, whilst promoting Glasgow's Vision and helping to deliver the Glasgow City Council Strategic Plan key themes: inequality, tackling poverty, driving inclusive growth and fighting the climate emergency

## Crime

**Overall violent Crime** has increased by 0.53% from PYTD, and increased 3.6% from 3 years mean with 3,220 violent crimes recorded this YTD, 3,203 PYTD and a 3 year average of 3,108

**Detection rates** for overall violent crime have decreased slightly by 2.1% compared to PYTD with a current detection rate of 63.4% (Appendix B).



## Murder

### Operation Beech

On Monday the 5th May 2025 officers were called to a disturbance within 16 Caldwell Avenue. Officers attended and found a 38 year old female being the victim of domestic attempted murder, officers also discovered a 28 year old male deceased within. A 39 year old male has been arrested and charged in connection with the incident.

### Operation Fuselage

On Saturday the 10th May officers were called to an ongoing disturbance within 32 Newfield Square. Within officer discovered a 71 year old female had been stabbed to death by her 77 year old husband. The male has been arrested and charged in connection with this incident.

## Sexual Offences

Divisional Rape Investigation Unit (DRIU) received a report of years of sexual abuse from a victim naming her father as responsible. The suspect attended at a police office to report the victim missing owing to the victim fleeing the home address. Whilst at a very early stage of investigations for the sexual criminality, DRIU officers engaged with the victim, built rapport, and uncovered further crimes of stalking, assaults and controlling behaviours from the father, allowing for his early arrest. Through swift action and critical thinking, further evidence from various witnesses

including friends and work colleagues providing witness statements as well as CCTV and familial approaches allowed the suspect to be interviewed and charged with various offences. The suspect has now appeared at court on petition whilst enquiries are ongoing into the sexual abuse owing to excellent work from DRIU officers.

## Hate Crime

There have been 37 hate incidents YTD compared to 54 hate incidents PYTD. This is a decrease of 31.5% from PYTD and a decrease of 6.6% from 5-year mean.

Hate crimes have seen a 2.7% increase from PYTD and 32.7% increase from 5 year mean with 598

crimes recorded this year compared with 582 PYTD.

Hate crime detections are currently 64.7% which is an increase of 3.2% from PYTD and 6.1% increase from 5-year mean.

## Community Wellbeing

### Safer Communities

The Positive Outcomes Project continues to work with adult males to break their cycle of offending linked to drug/alcohol addiction. So far this year, 38 clients have been engaged with, and there is an active list of 33 with varying levels of engagement. Referrals are continually received from numerous performance support and community police officers within Greater Glasgow Division, Custody Division, Care Managers within HSCP, and Custody Peer Mentors (now working weekends to increase availability). Every referral is considered, and if unsuitable for POP, individuals can be further referred with their permission.

There are two groupwork sessions, maintaining small groups to allow a focus on the individual and a person-centred approach. The groupwork provides intensive support and advice on harm reduction and recovery pathways. This is being further developed in collaboration with the Scottish Recovery Consortium, which has provided a more suitable space and will offer a pathway for clients to develop through self-development courses and volunteer work.

### Safer Communities

#### Less Crime—CCTV

CCTV continues to be instrumental in investigations, producing 260-280 packages and 620-680 reviews per month. This covers a wide range of crimes, including Serious Organised Crime (Operation Portaledge). Officers and CCTV operators remain vigilant, reacting to ongoing incidents such as vehicle pursuits, tracing a vehicle involved in a murder (Operation Winterberry), and addressing incidents involving offensive weapons and assaults/attempted murder.

Final stages of MoU being agreed upon between Police and GCC regarding the use of cameras out with operating hours of GCC.

Police School Engagement Officers attended a forum at Eastgate, receiving Prevent awareness input and links to sign up for future webinars on emerging extremist ideologies, encouraging Continuous Professional Development (CPD). This ensures they can identify and support victims and young people at risk. New School Engagement Officers (SEOs) also received an input from Children and Young Persons and specific onboarding training.

A Strategic Oversight Group has been agreed upon and Terms of Reference being completed for approval. Group will meet at the start of each term time and consist of Directors of Education from GCC, East Renfrewshire, East Dunbartonshire and Police to discuss, agree and action consistent approach and key areas to address.

### Road Policing

There have been 0 fatal road crashes since 1st April 2025 compared to two deaths from PYTD.

Serious injury road crashes have decreased by 21.1% with 45 serious injuries recorded YTD compared to 57 PYTD.

Of these 6 were children. This is an increase of 1 compared to PYTD.

Slight injury road crashes have noted a decrease of 36.6% with 92 slight injuries recorded YTD compared to 145 PYTD.

## Events and Operations

### Events

On Sunday 4 May 2025, Rangers hosted Celtic at Ibrox Stadium in the SPL. This was the first Old Firm match in several years to welcome large numbers of away supporters to Ibrox, with approx. 2500 Celtic supporters in attendance. A significant policing plan was in place for this operation taking cognisance of previous fixtures, recent risk group behaviour, intelligence and public re-assurance. The 24th May also saw Celtic play Aberdeen in the Scottish Cup Final at Hampden. Challenges included the use of pyrotechnics by both sets of fans and disorder by Aberdeen risk supporters within the stadium requiring police officers to support stewards throughout the match.

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2025 proved to be a challenging day for policing across Greater Glasgow due to competing events and also League title celebrations which took place after Celtic FC had played St Mirren at Celtic Park. Thousands of Celtic supporters congregated at Glasgow Cross to celebrate winning the league title. Following extensive consultation with partners,

proportionate policing operations were in place to support all the day's events, ensuring public safety and return our communities back to normality. Nine persons were arrested for various offences while 15 were charged for offences including being in possession of weapons, pyrotechnics, assault and public order offences. Alcohol and drug misuse played a contributory factor in the disorder. A considerable amount of rubbish littered the surrounding area of the unofficial celebrations resulting in a large scale clear up operation by GCC.

Notified parades have increased during Late Spring into the Summer months with Police Scotland supporting large marches for participants of 'All Under One Banner', 'Stop the War' and 'Stand Up to Racism', amongst others. Parades involving members of the Orange Order have increased as the 'marching season' peaks and this included a significant parade on 17<sup>th</sup> May 2025 by the CGLoG, where over one and a half thousand band members and participants marched from Glasgow's East End to the Southside to celebrate VE Day 80th Anniversary.

### Demonstration—Stand Up to Racism

The 24<sup>th</sup> May 2025 also saw a large demonstration / counter demonstration by supporters of the 'Great British National Strike' and

groups aligned to Stand Up to Racism. A challenging policing operation successfully facilitated the rights of all persons present to peacefully protest, with no disorder, injuries or arrests to participants

### Look Forward

Looking forward into Q2 of 2025/26 this will be a busy period. There will be numerous football matches throughout the division including the first old firm match to be played at Ibrox on the 31st August. European football fixtures have still to be arranged which will be done after the current qualifying games are complete.

On the 23rd September 2025 there will be a UK Government event at the Radisson Blu Hotel, Glasgow. This event will have approximately 500 civil servants in attendance with the potential for

Government ministers to be in attendance. Extra attention will be provided by local officers.

Throughout September there 4 Orange order processions that are due to take place throughout Greater Glasgow all of which will require a police presence.

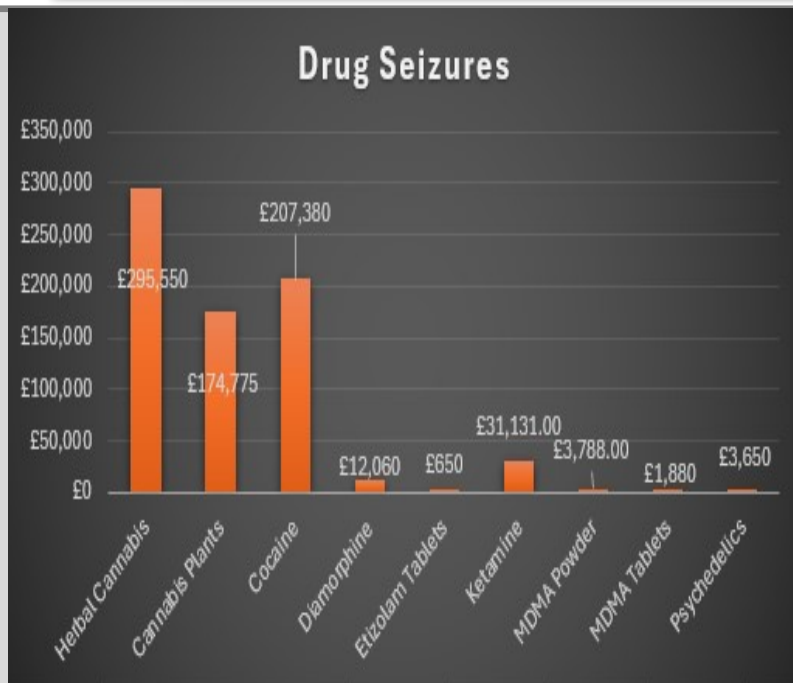
The 6th September will see the Complete Stone Roses performance at Queens Park with an expected attendance of approximately 3,500 persons.



## Serious Organised Crime

### Recoveries

Controlled drugs	Value
Herbal Cannabis	£295,550
Cannabis Plants	£174,775
Cocaine	£207,380
Diamorphine	£12,060
Etizolam Tablets	£650
Ketamine	£31,131
MDMA Powder	£3,788
MDMA Tablets	£1,880
Psychedelics	£3,650



### POCA & Asset seizures

- £272,196

### Glasgow Pro-Active seizures

- SOC officers made a recovery of 3.6kg of cocaine with a value of £179,500 after a vehicle stop. One male was reported to COPFS for drug offences.
- On 28th May SOC officers searched a vehicle on Stewart Street Glasgow leading to the investigation of a 38 year old female for money laundering offences. Under the Proceeds of Crime Act (POCA) a sum of £219,853.61 was seized. This money is suspected of coming from off-street prostitution.

### Operation Portaledge

Throughout April, May and into June 2025, there has been an escalation in violence and dangerous incidents linked to an ongoing feud between opposing members of rival Organised Crime Groups based in Edinburgh and Glasgow. Intelligence provides that the catalyst for this feud has been a high value theft of drug commodity from one group by the other. As the feuding escalates these incidents are spreading across the central belt and into the West of Scotland. To date there have been 20 confirmed incidents within the Greater Glasgow area, 10 arrests have been made so far ranging from wilful fire raising to attempted murder. Enquiries continue to identify other offenders.

