

## **Police Scotland Ward Update noted.**

**2** There was heard a report by Inspector Stevie Kinvig, Police Scotland, advising

- (1) that COP 26 had a significant impact which involved a number of local officers being deployed at the event which had resulted in a back log of customer enquiries, however, a separate team had been set up to concentrate on dealing with the outstanding enquiries during November to December 2021 that had now been cleared;
- (2) that during the Christmas period the Ward had seen increased activity in relation to youth disorder around Tullis Street, the Forge retail centre, the cinema and at Tesco that had resulted in proactive policing which involved a number of stop and searches;
- (3) that a number of serious assaults had taken place in the Ward area and that enquiries were ongoing;
- (4) that the Omicron variant had affected London Road Police custody office to be closed due to staffing issues, however, the office would be due to open soon; and
- (5) after 34 years service Inspector Kinvig would be retiring on 4th March 2022 from Police Scotland and that the Chief Inspector Scott Simpson would deal with any future enquiries.

After consideration, Partnership

- (a) noted the report;
- (b) raised questions in relation to police attendance at future community council meetings that were due to start up to which Inspector Kinvig advised there will be attendance at some of the meetings but this would not be a regular occurrence; and
- (c) thanked Inspector Kinvig for all his hard work over the years and wished him well in his retirement.