Criminal Activity August 24

**Beat Area BD01 & ME02 –**

**Bonnyrigg, Lasswade, Poltonhall & District**

During the month of October 2024 in the beat areas BD01 & ME02 – Bonnyrigg, Lasswade, Poltonhall & District – there were 303 Calls made to Police. (250 in September)

Crime statistics can be requested through a freedom of information request.

01/10/24 information received regarding protest outside an address in Bonnyrigg following the arrest of a male who resides there. Attention given to area, protestors were present and engaged with Police. No offences detected and no issues.

01/10/24 complaint re vehicle parking on pavement in Rowan Gardens, Bonnyrigg – parking on pavements is illegal in Midlothian and has been since April 01 2024. Parking attendants will patrol and issue penalty charge notices. The fine is £100 but reduced to £50 if paid within 14 days.

04/10/2024 cardboard ser fire to at the rear of Tesco’s Bonnyrigg, ongoing issue, staff have been advised to store cardboard elsewhere. Youths responsible, one youth identified and is to be charged.

05/10/2024 two calls from the Calderwood PH regarding two drunken males believed to be Romanian who causing annoyance within the pub, it was later reported these males had assaulted staff. CCTV footage of the males have been circulated to local Officers.

05/10/24 youth assaulted in High Street, Bonnyrigg, youth from Edinburgh, had been hopping on an off buses, got off in Bonnyrigg where he was assaulted. Multiple calls re these youths.

07/10/24 reports of an abandoned vehicle in Sherwood Park, Bonnyrigg. Midlothian council and DVLA notified.

08/10/24 attempt break in to a property in Bairds Way, Bonnyrigg. 2 males seen climbing into rear garden, they made off in a dark coloured vehicle.

08/10/24 residents at Old Market Place, Bonnyrigg reported damage caused to barrier that had been broken by youths the previous evening.

11/10/2024 call from member of public re male acting suspiciously around the New Poltonhall area looking in vehicles.

12/10/24 male arrested outside the Anvil for being in possession of an offensive weapon (Police style baton), Police had been called after the male was seen waving the baton around.

14/10/24 concerns regarding a male sleeping within his vehicle in the car park at Bonnyrigg Health Centre.

15/10/24 and 16/10/24 4 male suspects have stolen multiple items from Tesco Express, Bonnyrigg. Numerous other thefts reported.

16/10/24 known shoplifter stealing alcohol from the CO-OP, same male has gone on to steal numerous items over the course of a few days.

17/10/24 youths on the roof of the old St Marys Primary School, Bonnyrigg.

19/10/24 Owner of property at Lower Broomieknowe, Bonnyrigg contacted Police around 0030hrs after observing two males within his garden, he was viewing the CCTV remotely. 2 males traced nearby, arrested and charged. Well known nominals.

19/10/24 Officers from the CAT team were deployed to the Bonnyrigg Rose, vs Edinburgh City game. Officers were out early doors carrying out proactive checks, engaging with the local community and supporters both home and away. Preventative measures were put in place with mobile CCTV cameras being utilised, youth workers, trading standards and parking attendants being deployed. These interventions deterred any criminality taking place. Positive feedback received from members of the public/supporters.

19/10/24 CAT team conducted a road check at Distributor Road, Bonnyrigg, driver of vehicle charged with not having MOT.

21/10/2024 youths on mopeds in King George V park, Bonnyrigg. Officers attended, youths playing in the park but no sign of any mopeds.

22/10/24 male approached in High Street, Bonnyrigg around 2100hrs and by two males who demanded money from him. These males were later identified and charged with assault and robbery.

23/10/24 report of 2 ring security cameras having been stolen from snack van in Sherwood Industrial Estate, Bonnyrigg.

23/10/24 Ford Fiesta motor vehicle stolen overnight from Waverly Crescent Bonnyrigg.

24/10/24 Attempts made to break into van in De Quincey Road, Bonnyrigg.

26/10/24 fight in property in High Street, Bonnyrigg resulted in injuries being sustained by all persons involved.

26/10/24 report of large group of males fighting in High Street, Bonnyrigg. Those involved had dispersed on arrival of Police.

27/10/24 theft of horse trailer and tools from Loanhead Farm Lasswade, entry gained by breaking padlock on gate. Horse trailer later recovered at Dreghorn

28/10/24 vehicle being driven along Eskbank Road, Bonnyrigg. Driver did not have a license or insurance. Driver charged.

30/10/24 male detained by staff at CO-OP after trying to steal a large quantity of Whisky, he was arrested and charged with shoplifting.

31/10/24 several youth calls relating to youths causing annoyance, setting fires, throwing eggs.

Many neighbour disputes reported as well as domestic disputes, mental health concerns and minor beat complaints.

Ongoing complaints re parking around schools and vehicles entering the restricted area outside Lasswade Centre.

Advice with regards to crime prevention can be found on the Police Scotland website

**If any person has any information about the incidents listed above, or indeed any other crime, please contact your Community Policing Officer PC Fiona Cunningham via 101 or email:**

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