

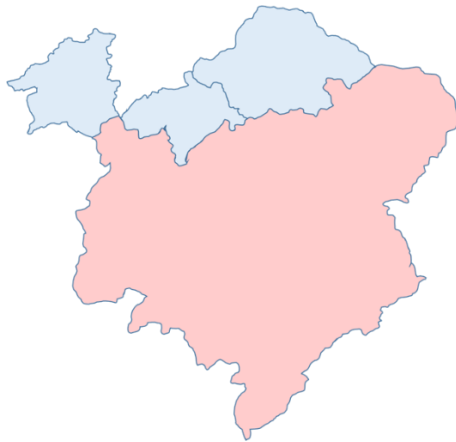
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Scottish Borders Area Command

The Lothians and Scottish Borders

Selkirkshire Community Councils
Multi Member Ward Report for September 2025



The information provided within this report, is predominately based on the Selkirkshire Multi Member Ward Policing Plan and the areas you have identified as priorities.

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Community Policing News

For the majority of people, the Scottish Borders is generally a safe place to work, live and visit however where there is opportunity, there will be people willing to engage in criminality. Aquisitive crime and especially Housebreaking can have long term effects on victims and so I just wanted to share some crime prevention advice.

Many domestic housebreakings across the country are perpetrated in an effort to steal vehicles. Some simple measures can help prevent you becoming the victim of this type of crime.

- Ensuring vehicles are locked when unattended
- Installing CCTV around your property
- Installing motion activated lighting
- Ensuring doors are locked at night or when away from home
- Storing car keys out of sight and ideally stored in a less obvious location
- Using 'Faraday Pouches' to secure keys from keyless car thefts

Theft by Shoplifting is an area of aquisitive crime that can often go under reported for a variety of reasons. Through the second half of September, the Community Policing Team have been increasing their activity in relation to shopliftings by maximising opportunities to carry out footpatrols in town centres and communities, engaging with retailers and assisting Response Policing colleagues with progressing shoplifting enquiries. This activity will carry on in October and through the festive season. We will continue to maximise opportunitites to patrol communities on foot beyond that period.

We continue to have incidents reported where the victim has seen an item for sale online, made contact with the seller and without seeing the item in person or meeting the seller, has transferred part payment by bank transfer. Whilst we all want to be trusting of other people, please always proceed with great caution when purchasing items advertised online. I would suggest that if buying outwith a reputable online platform that you should only make payment once you are in possession of the item that you are purchasing.

Update from School Link Officer

Over September PC Flockhart has given inputs to pupils of Selkirk High School and the P7 class at Knowepark Primary School on what it is like working with the police and what is required to become a police officer. He also completed a "Powers and Responsibilities of Police" input with Selkirk High Schools S4, and S5&6 criminology class. PC Flockhart attended Kirkhope and Yarrow Primary Schools to meet with their JRSOs to discuss plans to help them teach their peers about road safety and safe travel to school. He has also spent time at Philliphaugh Primary School during lunch to join the pupils in football, and attended at Lilliesleaf Primary School, visiting all age groups within the school and meeting with parents of two children seeking to resolve community tension.

Local Policing Priorities

1. Protecting most vulnerable
2. Reducing violence and Anti-Social Behaviour
3. Reducing acquisitive crime
4. Improving road safety
5. Tackling serious and organised crime

Protecting most vulnerable

In September 2025 Police in the Scottish Borders attended and were involved with around 208 mental health related calls, around 40 missing person enquiries and approximately 93 domestic related incidents.

Selkirkshire had 12 mental health related calls and 4 missing person enquiries. Due to GDPR and protection of victims/subjects involved, we are unable to share any more specific information in relation to these types of call within this report.

Police Scotland work in collaboration with key partners to assist the most vulnerable within the communities and to provide support.

Reducing Violence and Anti-Social Behaviour

Assaults

On 09/09/2025 report of assault having occurred on Linglie Road. A male has been charged.

On 12/09/2025 report of a male assaulted outside the Spar Shop, Market Square, Selkirk. Enquiry ongoing.

Anti-Social Behaviour

On 11/09/2025 report of neighbour issues in Chapel Street, Selkirk. No crimes detected, advice given.

On 12/09/2025 report of disturbance within property at Bleachfield Road, Selkirk. Officers attended, all quiet on arrival, no crimes detected.

On 17/09/2025 report of threats received on phone by known female. Enquiries ongoing.

Vandalism

On 02/09/2025 report of damage to vending machine at Haughhead, Selkirk. Enquiry ongoing.

On 04/09/2025 report of living room window smashed. Bannerfield Drive, Selkirk. Enquiry ongoing.

On 12/09/2025 report of damage caused to parcel delivered to property at Bridge St, Selkirk. Enquiries ongoing.

On 22/09/2025 report of youths throwing stones at property in Elm Row, Selkirk and thereafter causing damage to window. A crime report has been submitted.

Reducing Acquisitive Crime

Theft by Housebreaking

On 03/09/2025 report of attempted break-in of lockup garage. Douglas Place, Selkirk. Enquiry ongoing.

Theft

On 07/09/2025 report of theft of motorcross bike. Thornfield Avenue, Selkirk. Enquiries ongoing.

On 16/09/2025 report of theft of gates from property at Mutton Hall, Selkirkshire. Crime report submitted and enquiry ongoing.

On 22/09/2025 report of theft of motor vehicle from Farm premises, Ettrickbridge. Enquiries ongoing.

Improving Road Safety

On 26/09/2025 a driver was reported for summons for driving with no insurance in Selkirk.

Tackling Serious and Organised Crime

Serious and organised crime enforcement – September 2025

The Scottish Borders CID Proactive Unit executed 5 Drug & General Evidence Warrants during the month of September throughout the command area all were

positive and a variety of MDA charges were proffered against 5 persons. A number of stop and searches were also conducted in identified hotspot areas where drugs misuse was prevalent across the Scottish Borders.

Serious and organised crime impacts local communities across the Borders and anyone with information on criminal activity are asked to contact Police Scotland on 101, report it at any Police Station or report it anonymously via the Crime Stoppers Charity.

This information can be on any criminal matter but includes an individuals unexplained financial gain or wealth or persons who are vulnerable in our communities and being targeted or exploited by others for any reason.

Feedback from a meeting/contacting your Community Policing Team

Anyone with information relating to any criminal activity can contact Police Scotland by dialling 101 or alternatively anonymously by calling **CRIMESTOPPERS** on **0800 555111**.

Should the Community Council wish to discuss any matters highlighted in the report, please contact:

SelkirkshireCPT@scotland.police.uk

We will endeavour to provide you with this information, however some information is sensitive and as an organisation we have to ensure compliance with GDPR.