Community Council Report Covering Mid Argyll and Kintyre – October 1st – October 31st 2026					
Service Demand & Recorded Crimes Per Beat Area		LB35 Calls:59 Crimes:40	LB36 Calls: 21 Crimes: 6	LB37 Calls:23 Crimes: 15	LB38 Calls: 20 Crimes: 2
LB42 Calls: 87 Crimes:45	LB43 Calls:43 Crimes: 7	LB44 Calls:16 Crimes: 13	LB45: Calls: 14 Crimes: 5		Total Calls: 282 Crimes: 133

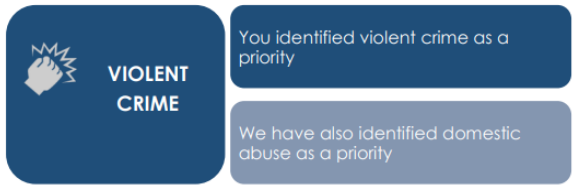
Beat Area	MAKI Councils Served	Beat Area	MAKI Councils Served
LB35 & LB36	Campbeltown Community Council	LB42	Lochgilphead Community Council North Knapdale Community Council Dunadd Community Council Craignish Community Council South Knapdale Community Council
LB37	West Kintyre Community Council Southend Community Council Laggan Community Council Gigha Community Council	LB43	Furnace Community Council West Loch Fyne Community Council Inveraray Community Council
LB38	East Kintyre Community Council	LB44	Tarbert Community Council
		LB45	Ardrishaig Community Council

Local Policing Priority	Local Good News	How can you help?
	During October there have been: • 7 seizures of Class B drugs • 1 seizure of Class C drugs A 53 year old male driver was issued with a Recorded Police Warning for possession of cannabis on the evening of Wednesday 7th October on the A83 at Lochgilphead. On the afternoon of Wednesday 14th October a 54 year old male was issued with a Recorded Police Warning for possession of cannabis after Police were called to an address in Campbeltown for an unrelated matter. On the morning of Saturday 17th October a 44 year old male was issued a Recorded Police Warning for possession of cannabis on Argyll Street, Lochgilphead.	Help us keep these drugs off your streets - stop drug related crime by reporting any suspicions you may have either in person or anonymously via 101 or via crime stoppers online: Crimestoppers in Scotland | Crimestoppers (crimestoppers-uk.org) 0800 555 111
	There have been 10 acquisitive crimes reported during October, including: • 1 report of Theft Housebreaking • 1 report of intended theft curtilage • 2 reports of Fraud • 1 report of attempted Fraud • 2 reports of attempt Theft of a Motor Vehicle • 1 report of Theft Pedal cycle • 2 reports of Theft (one of which is from a Motor Vehicle)	Your local police would like for your Community Council to help us by following us on our social media channels and help us spread crime prevention advice and guidance.

	A Lochgilphead resident has reported numerous items of property going missing from their home address between November 2025 and October 2026, following the loss of a set of keys. Police are investigating. A Kintyre resident has been the victim of an attempted Fraud, on Wednesday 7th October, whereby they have received a phone call from a scammer, purporting to be from UPS customer services. The scammer has persuaded the victim to share their screen and download a banking app. The victim has thereafter noticed unauthorised transactions appearing on their bank account, which have been blocked by the bank. Police are investigating. On Friday 9th October a Campbeltown resident was the victim of a Fraud. The victim has received a phone call purporting to be from their bank, advising them to transfer their money into another account, to prevent further fraudulent transactions. Police are investigating. Between 0900 hours and 1300 hours on Saturday 10th October an insecure pedal cycle has been stolen from a common close in Campbell Street, Lochgilphead. Police are investigating. Two 29 year old males have been arrested and charged with 2 x attempted Theft of a Motor Vehicle, and Section 57 of the Civic Government Scotland Act following reports of the window of a vehicle being deliberately damaged at Millknowe, Campbeltown between Thursday 22nd October and Friday 23rd October and the attempted Theft of a Motor Vehicle from Highbank Park Industrial Estate in Lochgilphead about 0320 hours on Friday 23rd October and CCTV footage capturing males within the curtilage of a garage in Campbeltown during the early hours of Friday 23rd October. The males were released on Undertaking to	

	appear at Campbeltown Sheriff Court at a later date with conditions not to entry Argyll, other than to attend court. On the 23rd of October a Mid-Argyll resident has been the victim of a Fraud when they received a phone call from a scammer purporting to be from their bank, advising their account had been compromised and to transfer the money directly into another account. Police are investigating.	
	There have been 34 Road Traffic Offences detected during October, including: • 3 reports of dangerous driving • 2 reports of careless driving • 3 reports of driving whilst unfit • 5 reports of driving without insurance • 4 reports of speeding • 2 reports of failing to stop after an accident On the evening of Friday 9th October a 20 year old male driver was cautioned and charged with speeding at 60mph through Muasdale, on the A83. The circumstances will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal. On the evening of Sunday 11th October a 41 year old male driver was arrested on A83 at Millknowe, Campbeltown for driving whilst unfit. The male was conveyed to Campbeltown hospital where blood samples were taken for toxicological analysis. The circumstances will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal once blood samples are analysed.	If you are aware of anyone that is driving under the influence of drink or drugs make Police aware. You can do this by phoning 101 or 999 if the person is behind the wheel. You can also report online on the Police Scotland website: https://www.scotland.police.uk Or you can report anonymously via Crimestoppers. Crimestoppers can be contacted on 0800 555 111 or online at https://crimestoppers-uk.org

	A 41 year old male driver has been arrested for failing the roadside breath test on Main Street, Inveraray during the early hours of Saturday 10th October. The male refused to provide a specimen of breath at Lochgilphead Police Station and was cautioned and charged accordingly. The male was released on Undertaking to appear at Dunoon Sheriff Court at a later date. A 20 year old male driver has been reported to the Procurator Fiscal for speeding on the A83 at Killigruer on the afternoon of Saturday 17th October. On the morning of Tuesday 13th October a 54 year old male driver was arrested at the bus turning circle in Tarbert for driving whilst unfit. The male was conveyed to Lochgilphead Police Station where blood samples were taken for toxicological analysis. A report will be submitted to the Procurator Fiscal once results are analysed. A 25 year old male driver has been cautioned and charged and reported to the Procurator Fiscal for Dangerous Driving on the A83 at Bardaravine on the afternoon of Friday 16th October after Roads Policing officers witnessed the driver carry out a dangerous overtake. A 23 year old male driver has been cautioned and charged with driving without insurance following a minor road traffic collision on the B8024 on the afternoon of Saturday 17th October. The registered keeper of the vehicle has also been cautioned and charged with causing and permitting someone to drive the vehicle without there being a valid policy in place. The circumstances will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal. Following a vehicle stop on the A83 at Inveraray, a 54 year old male driver was cautioned and charged with driving with a provisional license and driving without valid insurance.	

	The vehicle was seized and the circumstances will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal. A 64 year old male driver has been cautioned and charged with careless driving due to his manner of driving on the A83 north of Campbeltown on the afternoon of Saturday 24th October. At 1745 hours on Wednesday 28th October a 62 year old male driver was stopped by Police on the A819 at Inveraray and found to be driving with an expired license and no insurance. The male was cautioned and charged and the vehicle was seized by Police. The circumstances will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal. A 25 year old male driver has been issued with an endorsable conditional offer for speeding on the A83 at Killigruer.	
	There have been 48 Crimes of Violence reported during October, including: • 14 reported assaults including 5 which resulted in injury • 12 reports of Threatening and Abusive Behaviour • 6 reports of assaulting an officer in the execution of their duty • 9 reports of carrying a knife • 3 reports of carrying an offensive weapon A 40 year old female has been issued with a Recorded Police Warning for assault following an incident on a bus travelling between Lochgilphead and Tarbert on the afternoon of Friday 30th October.	Your local police would like for your Community Council to help us with tackling Violent Crime by reporting any ASB or community concerns either in person via 101 or via crime stoppers online: Crimestoppers in Scotland | Crimestoppers (crimestoppers-uk.org) 0800 555 111

	On the evening of Friday 30th October Police were called to an address in Campbeltown. A female was arrested and charged with 6 x Police Assaults, 1 x resist arrest, 2 counts of Threatening and Abusive Behaviour as well as Breach of Bail. She was held custody to appear at Campbeltown Sheriff Court. Following an incident in Saddell on the evening of Saturday 31st October, a 40 year old female was arrested and charged with assault. The female was kept in custody to appear at Campbeltown Sheriff Court.	
	There have been 30 Public Protection calls reported, and 12 Public Protection Crimes including: • 3 reports of failing to comply with bail • 3 reports of stalking • 1 report of engaging in a course of conduct abusive to your partner or ex-partner	Report to your local Police any concerns you may have regarding potential victims of Domestic Abuse or vulnerable persons, who may be being exploited or who may just need additional crime prevention support. Please report this to us either in person or anonymously.
Issues & Questions Raised by Community Councils & Coucillors to the Communities Team **N.B. Where the issue is applicable to a section above, this is included there*	**General News** On the afternoon of Friday 30th October, Police were made aware that a sticker with a QR code leading to an unrelated website had been placed over the QR code on a legitimate parking sign at Horizon car park in Oban. Police are investigating and would urge members of the public who have paid for parking using a QR code to check that any money paid has been to a legitimate company. Also to check signs have not been tampered with, prior to making any payments using a QR code. If anyone else has been a victim of this type	

	of crime, please report it to Police if you have not done so already. You can do this by telephoning 101 or reporting online via the Police Scotland website. A 25 year old male has been cautioned and charged with Culpable and Reckless conduct after smashing a window at an address in Campbeltown, resulting in glass falling onto the street. The male was also charged with possession of cannabis. The circumstances will be reported to the Procurator Fiscal. Police are investigating a vandalism that was reported at Carradale Golf club between 1700 hours on Wednesday 7th October and 1700 hours on Thursday 8th October. Police are investigating after a tyre was slashed on a black BMW whilst vehicle was parked at Whitegates Court, Lochgilphead between 2200 hours on Thursday 8th October and 0645 hours on Friday 9th October. Between 1700 and 1800 hours on Tuesday 13th October, a resident of Low Askomil, Campbeltown has returned home to find a 1000 litre single skin diesel tank in their garden which they believe has fallen from a passing vehicle. Police are investigating. Police are investigating following the report of damage to a window at Glenside, Campbeltown about 1900 hours on Saturday 17th October. Between 0844 hours and 1705 hours on Thursday 22nd October a Black Seat Leon Motor vehicle sustained damage whilst parked within the car park at Mid-Argyll Hospital. Police are investigating. A grey BMW has sustained damage whilst parked at Dell Road, Campbeltown, between 1800 hours on Tuesday 27th October and 0755 hours on Wednesday 28th October. Police are investigating. Police are investigating following a vandalism to the front door of a flat at Hazelburn, Millknowe, Campbeltown between 2025 and 2035 hours on Friday 30th October. <u>Road Smart Hubs</u> Road smart hubs are back across Argyll. This is an initiative between Police Scotland and the Institute of Advanced Motorists and the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, delivered by enthusiastic and experienced local teams. We offer two 90 minute interactive sessions focusing on key risk areas: winter driving and night-time driving.

	These sessions address common causes of collisions ranging from minor vehicle damage to serious incidents and give you practical tools to stay safe on the road. Attend one or both. Cost: £10 donation to Glasgow North Group of Advance Motorists charity are welcomed to support ongoing road safety education. Winter driving events are taking place at Campbeltown Fire Station on Monday 2nd November 1930 -2100 hours, Lochgilphead Joint Campus on Saturday 14th November from 1030-1200 hours, Oban Community Fire Station on Tuesday 17th November from 1930-2100 hours. There will be a Drive Safe at Night input at Lochgilphead Joint Campus on Saturday 21st November from 1030-1200 hours. <u>Operation Moonbean</u> Police Scotland will again provide a dedicated public order response across Scotland to help keep communities safe during the Halloween and Bonfire Night period. Operation Moonbeam 2026 officially launched on Wednesday 21 October. Throughout the weekend of 31 October and in the run up to the evening of 5 November, local policing divisions can call on specially trained officers to respond to violence and disorder. Now in its ninth year, Operation Moonbeam was launched in 2018 following significant fireworks-related criminality in several parts of the country. During the disorder, an Edinburgh officer was seriously injured after being struck by a firework. Our communities play a vital role in in preventing disorder. If you have any information about the illegal sale, storage or planned misuse of fireworks: - Report non-emergencies or share intelligence via 101 - Contact the independents charity Crimestoppers 100% anonymously on 0800 555 111. - Always dial 999 in an ongoing emergency or if there is an immediate danger to life. Let's work together to ensure a safe, peaceful and enjoyable season for everyone. <u>Fireworks and the law, what you need to know</u> Fireworks can be dangerous and disruptive if misused. It is a criminal offence to: Possess fireworks if you are under 18 Sell buy or supply fireworks to anyone under 18 (excluding category F1 items like party poppers)

	Set off fireworks between 11pm and 6am (exceptions are midnight on bonfire night, 1am on Hogmanay, Chinese new year and Diwali). Throw or set off fireworks in any public space Cause unnecessary suffering to animals. If you know or suspect someone is misusing fireworks or setting deliberate fires, you can report 100% anonymously via Crimestoppers or https://orlo.uk/UMDIM <u>That Guy Campaign</u> Police Scotland's latest That Guy campaign started on Monday, 28 September, with a call for everyday role models to recognise the positive influence that men can have on each other and boys, to prevent the attitudes and behaviours that lead to harassment, assault and rape. The advert kick-started a six-week focus aimed at tackling the over 200 reports of violence against women and girls crimes which are reported every day on average in Scotland. Launching the campaign, Assistant Chief Constable Tim Mairs said: "Violence against women and girls is a national emergency. Young men and boys are growing up where attitudes towards women, sex and relationships are shaped what they see online, including messages about masculinity and how women should be treated. "Manosphere influencers and social media algorithms can repeatedly expose boys to harmful attitudes and behaviours, which can become normalised. This extremist content is having a direct impact on women's safety. "Our campaign offers a different narrative, one based on respect, positive role modelling and healthy relationships. "We're supporting men aged 18 - 35 to reflect on the role they can play in positively influencing boys and young men." The campaign encourages men to recognise that being a positive role model isn't about being perfect. It's about the standards they set through their everyday behaviour, the way they speak about women, what they share online, the conversations they have with friends and whether they're prepared to challenge behaviour that is sexist, disrespectful or harmful. This year, Police Scotland is working with a growing network of partners across sport, education, transport and communities to take the campaign beyond its own channels and reach men in the places and spaces where they live, work and socialise.

	Partners supporting the campaign include Scottish Rugby, West of Scotland Sexual Assault Response Co-ordination Services, Scottish Professional Football League (SPFL), ScotRail, Tennis Scotland, Team Scotland and Up and Running Scotland.

Useful Links/Contacts:

- **Argyll and Bute Communtiy Directory** - https://abcd.scot/ - this excellent site signposts you to all available services in your area, be it advocacy, counselling, debt advice or animal welfare;
- **Crimestoppers** – Crimestoppers in Scotland | Crimestoppers (crimestoppers-uk.org) 0800 555 111
- **Scottish Partnership Against Rural Crime** – www.scottishparc.co.uk
- **Women's Aid -** Home - Women's Aid (womensaid.org.uk)
- **Citizens Advice** – 0808 164 6000 & https://www.abcab.org.uk/ - Argyll and Bute Citizens Advice Bureau is a local, independent charity which provides free, impartial and confidential advice and information to give you the tools you need to sort out any issues or problems;
- **Argyll and Bute Council Trading Standards** – 01546 605 519
- **Argyll and Bute Council** – https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/my-council/how-contact-us
- **Transport Scotland** – road related incidents and road closures - https://www.traffic.gov.scot/traffic-information/incidents
- **Scottish Water -** https://www.scottishwater.co.uk/Help-and-Resources/Contact-Us 0800 0778 778
- **NHS24 (including mental health support) –** 111 or https://www.nhsinform.scot/
- **Scam Share Bulletin** Trading Standards Scotland Bulletin 6 June (mailchi.mp)
- **Age Scotland- Demetia Information and help-** https://www.agescotland.org.uk/
- **Neighbourhood Watch** - sign up to to receive local alerts and bulletins for your community area - https://neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk/#0
- **Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA)** - https://www.sepa.org.uk/ - for pollution, environmental safety, flooding, waste disposal/carrying enquiries

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- X (formerly Twitter) – PSOSArgyllBute and PSOS ArgWestDunb

Please contact the officer below with any feedback or concerns raised at the meeting for further considerations or police action.

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