

## **Item: 5**

**Police and Fire Sub-committee: 28 September 2022.**

**Performance Against Local Policing Plan.**

**Report by Chief Inspector Alasdair MacLeod – Area Commander (Orkney Area Command).**

### **1. Purpose of Report**

To provide an update on progress with reference to the objectives outlined in the 2020-2023 Orkney Islands Local Policing Plan.

### **2. Recommendations**

The Sub-committee is invited to scrutinise:

#### **2.1.**

Progress in respect of the Orkney Islands Local Policing Plan 2020-2023, for the period 1 April to 30 June 2022, attached as Appendix 1 to this report, in order to obtain assurance that progress is being made against the objectives.

### **3. Performance Monitoring**

#### **3.1.**

The Performance Against Local Policing Plan 2020-2023, attached as Appendix 1 to this report, covers all priorities featured in the local Policing Plan and gives evidence of Prevention and Intervention work corresponding to each of the Policing priorities. It also provides a local narrative in relation to Serious and Organised Crime and Counter Terrorism.

#### **3.2.**

Appendix 1 also includes progress made against the objectives set within the Orkney Islands Local Policing Plan 2020-2023 Year 3, for the reporting period 1 April 2022 to 30 June 2022.

#### **3.3.**

The Sub-committee is invited to scrutinise the progress set out in the attached performance report.

## **4. Corporate Governance**

This report relates to Orkney Islands Council complying with governance and its scrutiny role and therefore does not directly support and contribute to improved outcomes for communities as outlined in the Council Plan and the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan.

## **5. Financial Implications**

There are no immediate legal implications arising from this report.

## **6. Legal Aspects**

There are no immediate legal implications arising from this report.

## **7. Contact Officer**

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## **8. Appendix**

Appendix 1: Progress made against the objectives set within the Orkney Islands Local Policing Plan 2020-2023 Year 3, for the period covering 1 April 2022 to 30 June 2022.

# Performance Against Local Policing Plan 2020/2023



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# Introduction by the Area Commander

## Chief Inspector Alasdair MacLeod

I am pleased to present the Orkney Police and Fire Sub-Committee Scrutiny Report for the reporting period 01 April 2022 – 30 June 2022.

The demands placed on the Police have been unique and continue to be challenging. The Police continue to assist and support partners working within communities, whilst at the same time fulfilling traditional Police activity which has had both a personal and organisational strain on Policing.

There is a general feeling in policing that demands overall have increased since coming out of Covid regulations. This is likely to be seen in statistics during the coming year.

The interpretation of statistics from the reporting period and comparisons to the previous year can be difficult and one should be wary of drawing hasty conclusions. The full consequences of lockdown and the hidden harms many members of our communities experienced have yet to be fully realised.

That said, we have been active across all priority areas of our Policing Plan. We have maintained a proactive presence on Orkney roads, enforcing road traffic legislation, working with partners to improve road safety and investigating road traffic collisions. We have seen a reduction in Anti-Social Behaviour and disorder and there has been an increase in reported acquisitive crime; however the detection rate for this crime type is 94.6%.

I am cautiously pleased to report a reduction in Hate Crime, however Domestic Crime remains above 5 year average levels despite a reduction from the previous year and there has been an increase Year on Year in relation to Sexual Crime.

Partnership is also a key feature of our approach to countering terrorism, which continues with public sector, education and third sector partners and our communities.

The implementation of technology through mobile devices, crime and case management systems continue to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of Policing in Highland and allow officers more time to actively patrol their communities.

This report highlights the positive work and the challenges faced by officers in Orkney.

# Local Policing Priorities

The Local Policing Priorities for the N Division area are decided by data from our Strategic Assessment which details Threats and Risks, and also feedback from Local Authorities, Partners and residents in the Your Police survey.



**ROAD SAFETY AND ROAD CRIME**

Collaborate to reduce casualties and crime on our roads



**ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, VIOLENCE AND DISORDER**

Engage with the public and communities to reduce and prevent crime



**ACQUISITIVE CRIME**

Reduce crime through preventing offending and reducing re-offending



**PROTECTING VULNERABLE PEOPLE**

Support people considered vulnerable through working with partners



**SERIOUS ORGANISED CRIME**

Reduce the harm caused by serious organised crime including cyber related crime



**TERRORISM AND PUBLIC ORDER**

Prevent, Pursue, Protect and Prepare through collaborative preparedness

# Orkney: At a glance

## **Road Safety and Road Crime**

Overall, Road Crime offences have increased by 104.3% (87.8 more offences) against the 5 Year Average and increased by 97.7% (85 more offences) against the Last Year To Date (LYTD).

Offences in relation to Disqualified Driving have reduced by 100.0% (0.4 fewer offences) against the 5 Year Average and stayed the same at 0 offences against the LYTD.

Mobile Telephone offences have increased by 500% (5 more offences) against the 5 Year Average and increased by 500.0% (5 more offences) against the LYTD.

Failure to Insure Against Third Party Risk offences have increased by 116.7% (7 more offences) against the 5 Year Average and increased by 85.7% (6 more offences) against the LYTD.

## **Anti-Social Behaviour, Disorder and Violence (including Alcohol and Drugs Misuse)**

Overall, Anti-Social Behaviour has reduced by 50% (12 fewer crimes) against the 5 Year Average and reduced by 45.5% (10 fewer crimes) against the LYTD.

Offences in relation to Culpable and Reckless Conduct have increased by 25.0% (0.2 more crimes) against the 5 Year Average and has reduced by 50% (1 fewer crime) against the LYTD.

Offences in relation to Assault have increased by 41.8% (11.2 more crimes) against the 5 Year Average and increased by 90% (18 more crimes) against the LYTD.

## **Acquisitive Crime**

Overall, Acquisitive Crime has increased by 77.9% (16.2 more crimes) against the 5 Year Average and increased by 131.3% (21 more crimes) against the LYTD.

Offences in relation to Housebreaking (Dwelling House) have increased by 400% (0.8 more crimes) against the 5 Year Average and stayed the same (1 crime) against the LYTD.

Fraud offences have increased by 361.5% (9.4 more crimes) against the 5 Year Average and increased by 100% (6 more crimes) against the LYTD.

## **Protecting Vulnerable People**

Overall, Sexual Crime has increased by 189.5% (21.6 more crimes) against the 5 Year Average and increased by 73.7% (14 more crimes) against the LYTD.

Domestic related offences have increased by 15.4% (2.8 more crimes) against the 5 Year Average and reduced by 12.5% (3 fewer crimes) against the LYTD.

Offences in relation to Hate Crime have reduced by 100% (0.8 fewer crimes) against the 5 Year Average and have reduced by 100% (1 fewer crimes) against the LYTD.

## **Serious and Organised Crime**

Overall, Drugs offences has increased by 29.2% (5.2 more crimes) against the 5 Year Average and increased by 475% (19 more crimes) against the LYTD.

**Counter Terrorism & Domestic Extremism**

Police Constable Lisa Campbell, N Division's Local Counter Terrorism Officer stated:

***“As the Counter Terrorism Liaison Officer (CTLO) for N Division, I ensure areas have a Local Contest Liaison Officer who is kept up to date on latest developments in Contest.***

***I liaise with CT Intelligence, CT Security Advisors, the Prevent Delivery Unit as well as local Area Commanders to address any CT related matters in the area and provide support to the Area Command if required.***



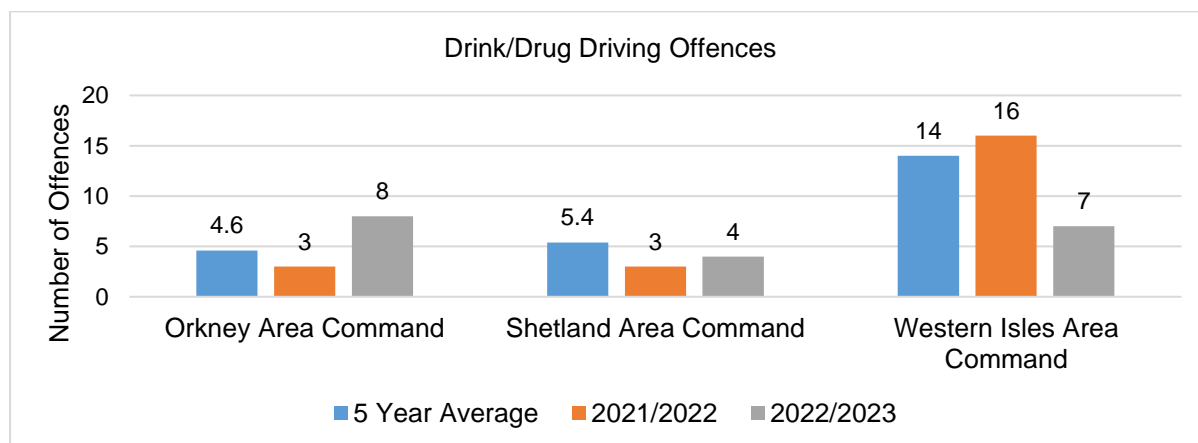
# Road Safety and Road Crime

**Intention - With Partners, enhance Road Safety across Orkney.**

**Objective – With Partners, deliver a Road Safety Strategy focusing on: Challenging driver behaviour; Education at the road side and elsewhere; Detection of offences linked to contributing factors of Fatal and Serious Road Traffic Collisions and collectively reducing potential harm.**

	5 Year Average	3 Year Average	YTD 2021/2022	YTD 2022/2023	YTD Variation	Detection Rate
Number of Fatalities - Road Traffic Collisions	1.6	1.3	1	5	4	N/A
Drink/Drug Driving Offences (Drug Driving)	4.6	3.0	3 (0)	8 (2)	5 (2)	120%
Speeding Offences	16.4	23.0	17	37	20	110.8%

## **2022/2023 Drink/Drug Driving Offences -**



**Operation CEDAR** - (Challenge, Educate, Detect and Reduce) builds on established practices and will continue to focus on various agencies working in partnership to reduce the number of people killed and seriously injured in Orkney.

Operation CEDAR involves proactive multi-agency enforcement operations on the roads, which sits alongside education activity aimed at improving driver behaviour of all ages. Partner agencies continue to work together to improve understanding of the factors which could contribute to improving road safety for everyone on the roads and together respond to these issues.

**Operation Close Pass** – Cyclists are welcome visitors to Orkney. They contribute to the local economy and in addition, urban cycling, whether for leisure or commuting is becoming increasingly popular throughout the N Division area. Operation Close Pass encourages motorists to give consideration to cyclists when passing and respect their status as vulnerable road users.

## Anti-Social Behaviour, Disorder and Violence (including Alcohol and Drug misuse)

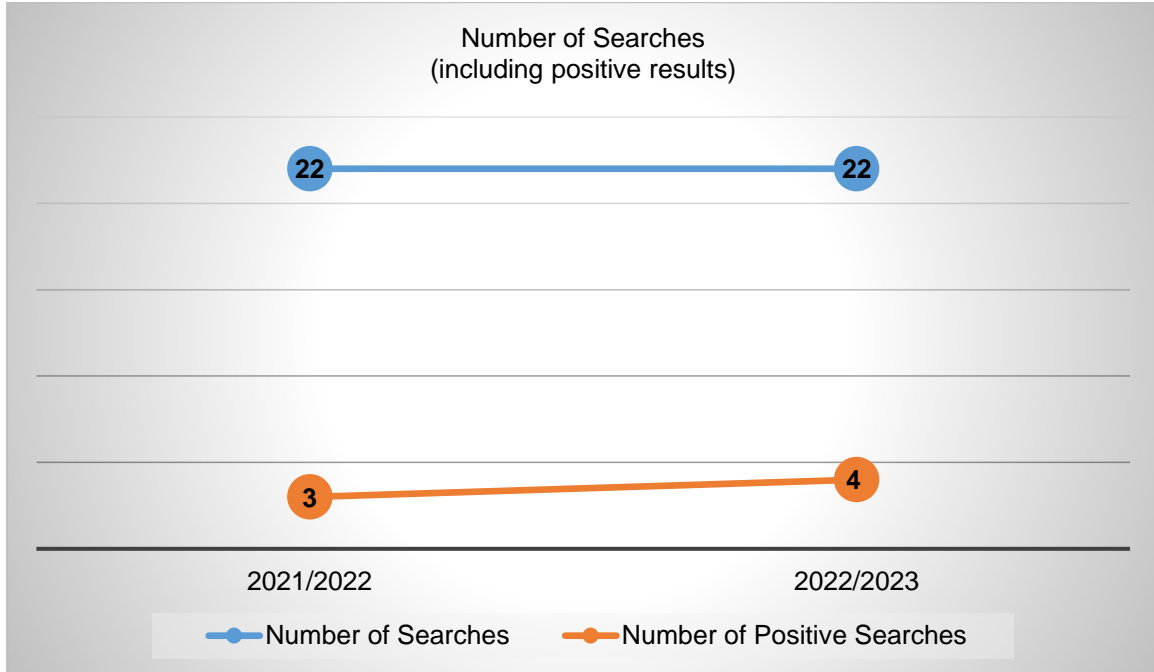
**Intention – With Partners, better understand the causes to prevent and reduce instances of Anti-Social Behaviour, Disorder and Violence to enhance community safety across Orkney.**

**Objective – Work with Partners to share information, support Education, Prevention, Diversionary and Enforcement Measures linked to harmful alcohol consumption; maintain robust procedures around licensed premises; support victims of violent crime by working with partners to improve service provision and prevent repeat victimisation.**

	5 Year Average	3 Year Average	YTD 2021/2022	YTD 2022/2023	YTD Variation	Detection Rate
Assault	26.8	24.7	20	38	18	97.4%
Serious Assault	1.2	1.0	0	1	1	0%
Drug (Possession) Offences	13.2	13.0	4	20	16	87.5%
Drug Deaths	1.2	1.3	3	0	-3	N/A

Drugs Deaths – The decrease in Drug Related Deaths within Orkney is positive. N Division continues to work with Partner Agencies in order to support individuals who find themselves involved with alcohol and controlled substance misuse.

**Stop and Search -**



Positive Stop Search - A positive stop and search is when an item is recovered where possession of same implies criminality on the part of the individual being searched or any other; or potentially compromises the safety of that individual or another.

**No Knives, Better Lives** - No Knives, Better Lives (NKBL) is a national capacity-building programme that supports primary prevention work related to knife carrying in Scotland. In 2009, the NKBL National Delivery Team at YouthLink Scotland and the Scottish Government began supporting partners in 11 selected Local Authority areas to implement NKBL. The approach to prevention is informed by the principles and values of youth work and a public health approach to violence prevention. The focus is not just on what it is we do not want young people to do and how to stop them doing it, but also what we want young people to be able to do, how we support them to understand and navigate risk and to make positive life choices.

Arrangements are being made Police Scotland's Prevention and Interventions Officers to support this initiative in Orkney.

## Acquisitive Crime

**Intention – With Partners and Communities, prevent instances of acquisitive crime across Orkney.**

**Objective – With Partners, share information, support education, prevention, diversionary and enforcement activity linked to acquisitive crime; develop work with targets – recidivist offenders to reduce reoffending linked to acquisitive crime e.g. Persistent Offenders programme; enhance the use of all media platforms to raise awareness of local and national preventative initiatives.**

	5 Year Average	3 Year Average	YTD 2021/2022	YTD 2022/2023	YTD Variation	Detection Rate
Housebreaking (Dwelling House)	0.2	0.3	1	1	-	100%
Fraud	2.6	4.3	6	12	6	16.7%
Theft by Shoplifting	4.4	4.3	1	9	8	100%
Motor Vehicle Crime	1.4	1.0	1	2	1	700%

Fraud – The increase in Fraud related crimes has not only been experienced by members of the public residing within Orkney, but across the wider N Division area, Scotland and the United Kingdom.

### **Fraud** –

#### Banking Protocol

Following a number of incidents across the N Division area in respect of Frauds and Banking Protocol, work has been ongoing with various Banks within N Division to setup learning sessions between staff members to talk through Banking Protocol. This has allowed for a better understanding of the Police response, management of vulnerabilities and referrals/support available to victims.

This has and will continue to allow Bank staff to be aware as to the point in they feel that they can/should intervene.

# Protecting Vulnerable People

**Intention – Protect people at risk of harm.**

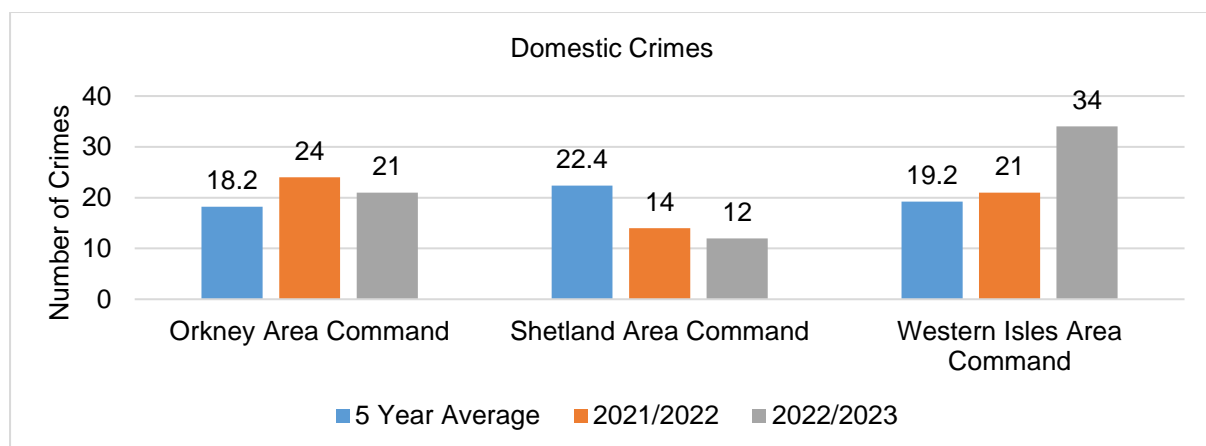
**Objective – With Partners we will focus on safeguarding communities; with Partners we will address emerging issues through Prevention and Intervention.**

	5 Year Average	3 Year Average	YTD 2021/2022	YTD 2022/2023	YTD Variation
Sexual Crime	11.4	12.3	19	33	14
Domestic Crime	18.2	17.7	24	21	-3
Hate Crime	0.8	0.8	1	0	-1
Missing Persons*	See below	17	5	13	7

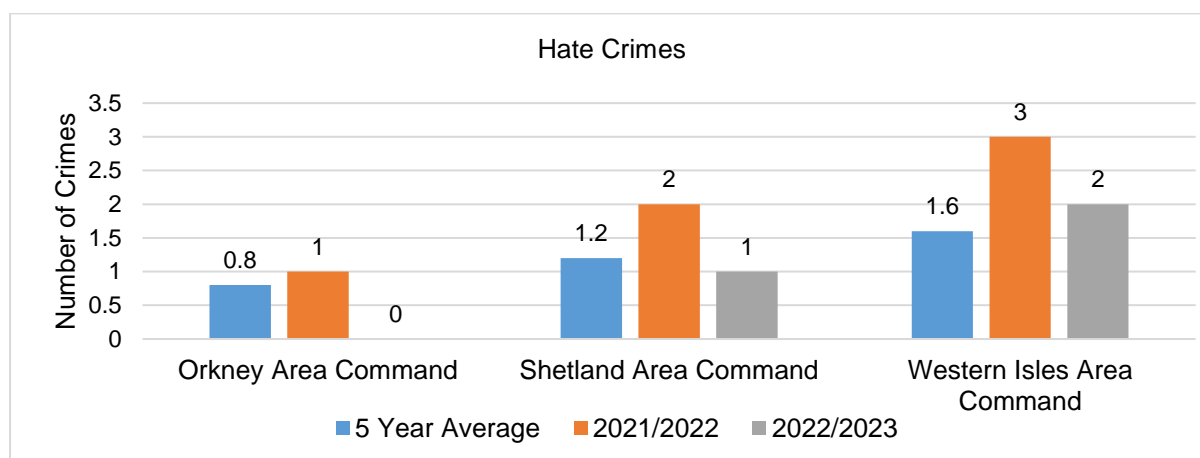
Domestic Crime – The decrease in Domestic related crimes within Orkney is noted. N Division continues to work with Partner Agencies in order to support victims of such crimes.

\* (Figures for Orkney Area Command - Due to system configurations these figures are not available at multi-member ward level. Due to the implementation of the National Missing Persons Application in 2019, the 5 Year Average is not available).

## Domestic Crime within Orkney Area Command –



**Hate Crime within Orkney Area Command –**



**Hate Crime –**

Hate Crime incidents are reviewed on a daily basis by officers within N Division’s Partnerships Department with the victim being contacted and provided with contact details for Partner Agencies such as Victim Support Scotland. Every victim of a Hate Crime continue to be sent a Satisfaction Survey as to how they felt they were supported by N Division.

Hate Crime inputs were previously delivered by Prevention and Interventions officers to all year groups at Kirkwall Grammar School and Stromness Academy.

**Missing Persons –**

Police Scotland takes every report of a missing person seriously and investigates appropriately with access to local, regional and national specialist resources. Missing persons investigations are a core part of local Policing and it is local officers who undertake all investigations, supported by specialist colleagues where necessary. Further, each Division including, N Division has a dedicated Missing Person Co-ordinator who advises on operational and preventative approaches.

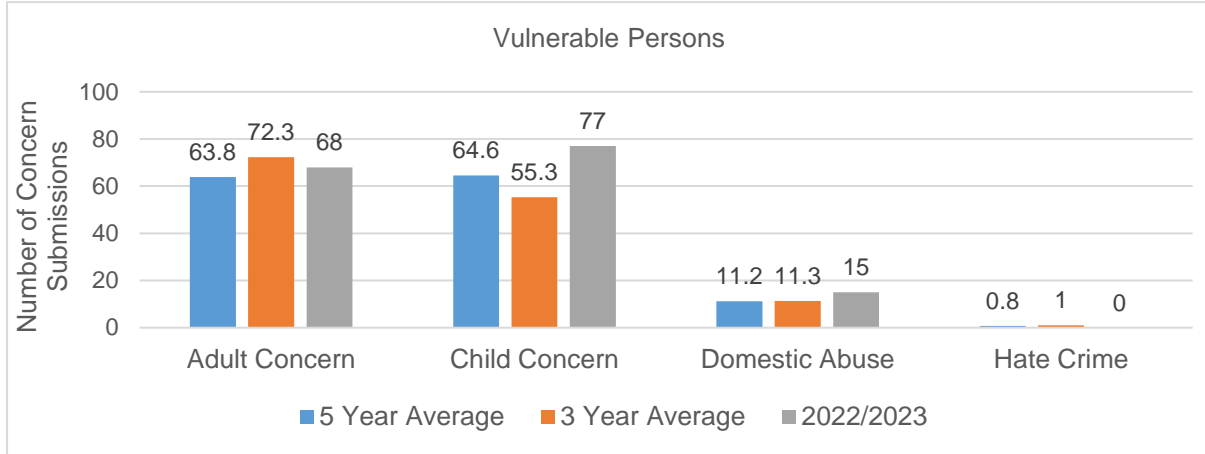
Missing Person Category	2021/2022	2022/2023	Variation
Adult	5	7	2
Cared for Adult	0	0	0
Looked After Child	0	0	0
Child	0	6	6
Absconder/Wanted	0	0	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>8</b>

Each Area Command has appointed a local Police liaison officer who maintains contact and liaison with the residential units in their respective area. This role has developed and regular contact has built a good relationship with residential unit(s). Where required, this officer also works in conjunction with the Missing Person Co-ordinator who similarly enjoys a good working relationship with residential units.

**Vulnerable Persons –**

Police Scotland utilises the Vulnerable Persons Database (VPD) to record information where Police officers have cause for concerns following interactions with members of the public. The VPD system allows relevant information to be shared with Partner Agencies. The following table illustrates the

number of VPD submissions submitted by Police officers within the Orkney Area Command for the reporting period.





## Serious and Organised Crime

**Intention – With Partners, reduce the threat, risk and harm caused by Serious Organised Crime.**

**Objective – With Partners work to safeguard the Orkney area by taking all opportunities to prevent crime and make the Orkney area a hostile environment for Serious & Organised Crime Groups; to improve outcomes for individuals and communities and reduce offending through prevention, early intervention and diversion; in support of our Partners in the Local Authority and NHS via the Alcohol and Drug Partnership Strategy we will direct those who are substance dependant towards recovery through prevention, treatment and support services; with Partners work to reduce the instances of substance misuse in our communities.**

	5 Year Average	3 Year Average	YTD 2021/2022	YTD 2022/2023	YTD Variation	Detection Rate
Drug (Supply) Offences	2.4	1.7	0	3	3	0.0%
Drug (Possession) Offences	13.2	13.0	4	20	16	70.0%

# Counter Terrorism

**Intention – Support the delivery of the CONTEST strategy to reduce the threat posed by terrorism and domestic extremism.**

**Objective – Strengthen PREVENT work with Partners and institutions; with Partners, support individuals who are vulnerable to terrorism and violent extremism; strengthen PREVENT work in relation to the internet and Social Media; Effective Multi-agency planning in respect of Counter Terrorism is taking place; Develop our ability to respond effectively to any terrorist attack (with a specific focus on emerging high-risk threats, and specialist capabilities).**

WRAP (Workshop to Raise Awareness of Prevent) - The workshop covers issues such as crime, normal social processes that are used to influence and manipulate, case studies that cut across the spectrum of extremism, terrorist ideologies and factors which may contribute to an individual's susceptibility to a terrorist ideology.

In particular, it seeks to support them to recognise that using their existing expertise and professional judgement, they may be able to recognise potentially vulnerable individuals who may be susceptible to being persuaded by an extremist or terrorist ideology. Workshops delivered to partners across Orkney.

ACT Now delivered to schools across Orkney.

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***I can provide an up to date CT brief to Council members and any other partner agencies who require this.***

***I can also provide presentations on Act now, Radicalisation awareness, threat overview and current trends. LCLO's can also assist with this within schools etc.***

***I am currently working with Border Policing Command to look at further training to assist in the rural areas with any Operation Kraken (maritime) enquiries for LCLO's.***

***We are currently preparing for Exercise Safe Steeple 2 which is on the 21<sup>st</sup> of September 2022. This is aimed at multi-agency partners considering the response to and the recovery from a terrorist incident and to explore the links to the Local Resilience Partnership. This will be particularly focussed on the care for people aspect of the response and recovery and public communications. Partners have been invited from each area of our Division”.***

## Crime Statistics

Group 1 Crimes (Recorded)						
	5 Year Average	3 Year Average	2021/2022	2022/2023	Variation	Detection Rate
Murder	0.0	0.0	0	0	-	N/A
Culpable Homicide	0.0	0.0	0	0	-	N/A
Attempted Murder	0.2	0.0	0	0	-	N/A
Serious Assault	1.2	1.0	0	1	1	0.0%
Robbery	0.0	0.0	0	1	1	100%
Cruel & Unnatural Treatment of Children	0.6	0.7	1	0	-1	N/A
Threats & Extortion	0.2	0.3	0	3	3	0.0%

Group 2 Crimes (Recorded)						
	5 Year Average	3 Year Average	2021/2022	2022/2023	Variation	Detection Rate
Rape	1.2	1.0	3	3	-	66.7%
Sexual Assault (Sexual Offences Scotland Act 2009)	3.8	4.0	10	14	4	78.6%
Lewd & Libidinous Practices	0.0	0.0	0	0	-	N/A
Public Indecency	0.0	0.0	0	0	-	N/A
Threatening/ Disclosure of Intimate Image(s)	1.0	1.7	2	1	-1	200%

Group 3 Crimes (Recorded)						
	5 Year Average	3 Year Average	2021/2022	2022/2023	Variation	Detection Rate
Housebreaking (Dwelling House)	0.2	0.3	1	1	-	100%
Housebreaking (Non-Dwelling House)	0.0	0.0	0	1	1	0.0%
Housebreaking (Other)	0.4	0.0	0	0	-	100.0%

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Housebreaking (Total)	0.6	0.3	1	2	1	100.0%
Theft of a Motor Vehicle	0.6	0.3	0	1	1	0.0%
Theft from a Motor Vehicle	0.6	0.3	0	1	1	100.0%
Opening a Lockfast Place	0.6	0.0	0	0	-	100.0%
Theft	10.8	9.7	7	10	3	60.0%
Theft by Shoplifting	4.4	4.3	1	9	8	100%
Fraud	2.6	4.3	6	12	6	16.7%

Group 4 Crimes (Recorded)						
	5 Year Average	3 Year Average	2021/2022	2022/2023	Variation	Detection Rate
Fireraising	0.4	0.0	0	0	-	N/A
Vandalism	20.8	18.0	27	15	-12	80.0%
Culpable & Reckless Conduct	0.8	1.0	2	1	-1	200.0%

Group 5 Crimes (Recorded)						
	5 Year Average	3 Year Average	2021/2022	2022/2023	Variation	Detection Rate
Offensive Weapon & Bladed/Pointed Instrument	1.4	1.3	0	0	-	N/A
Drugs (Supply)	2.4	1.7	0	3	3	0.0%
Drugs (Possession)	13.2	13.0	4	20	16	87.5%
Bail Offence(s)	1.8	1.0	0	5	5	100.0%

Group 6 Crimes (Recorded)						
	5 Year Average	3 Year Average	2021/2022	2022/2023	Variation	Detection Rate
Assault	22.4	18.3	18	34	16	97.1%
Assault (Emergency Workers)	4.4	6.3	2	4	2	100.0%
Breach of the Peace/Threatening & Abusive Behaviour	23.2	25.7	22	10	-22	160.0%
Stalking	0.8	1.0	0	2	2	100.0%

Group 7 Crimes (Recorded)						
	5 Year Average	3 Year Average	2021/2022	2022/2023	Variation	Detection Rate

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Dangerous Driving	2.4	2.0	2	1	-1	200.0%
Drink/Drug Driving	4.6	3.0	3	8	5	87.5%
Speeding Offence(s)	16.4	23.0	17	37	20	110.8%
Disqualified Driving	0.4	0.7	0	0	-	N/A
Drive without Licence	3.8	2.7	4	2	-2	100.0%
Fail to Insure Against Third Party Risks	6.0	7.3	7	13	6	115.4%
Seat Belt Offence(s)	4.0	3.3	4	16	12	100.0%
Mobile Telephone Offence(s)	1.0	1.3	1	6	5	100.0%
Careless Driving	7.8	6.0	6	12	6	108.3%