

POLICE UPDATE AUGUST

Over the last couple of months, calls about youths causing issues in Cove have steadily increased. Within the last week we have received reports of large groups who have targeted Sainsbury's and Burger King, where disturbances and thefts have occurred.

Also a significant amount of bus shelters have been damaged.

This behaviour and incidents spoil the good work done in the area and it is only the minority who are causing issues.

I would urge parents of youngsters to reinforce the message for them to act responsibly whilst out during the summer nights. Enquiries are ongoing to track down those who are responsible.

Thefts of bicycles are also an issue in Cove, along with everywhere else in the city. Please make sure these are secured in garages and sheds and sufficient locks and alarms are fitted to act as deterrents.

Please think about the cost of your bike when you store it and consider whether you would leave the monetary equivalent out where someone could take it. Nearly £6000 worth of bikes has been stolen from Cove in the last 6 months. Please take pictures of your bikes and record details of model and frame numbers, along with any identifiable features, which will help identify them, should they be stolen.

A summer cycle theft campaign has commenced and details of future "Bike Stamping" dates will be published. Directed patrols have also been set up to target and disrupt those known for stealing bikes.



Can I remind folks, the Police Scotland YOUR VIEW COUNTS digital public consultation campaign is still live. The campaign enables all communities to tell Police Scotland what is important to them at a time which is convenient for them. The survey can be found at www.scotland.police.uk/yourviewcounts and takes 15 minutes to complete.

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