



## **POLICE OCTOBER UPDATE**

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With autumn fast approaching, bringing with it shorter days and darker evenings, it's time to have a look at our home security and encourage neighbours, friends and family to do the same. Varying the times that lights come on and go off within your home will help prevent potential criminals getting to know your routine and also is a cheap and highly effective security measure. It may cause minor inconvenience, but keeping doors locked even when there are people in the house will also protect valuable items such as handbags and car keys from opportunist thieves. All crime, including acquisitive crime, remains low in the Cove area and by taking some simple measures we will all keep it that way.

It has been highlighted to the Nigg Community Policing Team (CPT) that drivers continue to overtake buses by going the wrong way round road traffic islands, ignoring the keep left signs, and in doing so place themselves, other drivers and pedestrians at risk. This was previously highlighted in the March issue of the Cove Chronicle! The majority of Aberdeen buses now have CCTV cameras fitted and drivers have been asked to provide police with footage and vehicles seen breaking the law. Local Officers will also be carrying out patrols in your area and if you are caught committing this or any other any road offence you will be stopped and you will get a fine.

There have been a number of incidents of Anti-Social Behaviour of late, including minor thefts, vandalism and fireraisings at the Mains of Loirston Farmhouse, near to Loirston Primary School and around the Loirston Annex on Cove Road. The majority of the incidents involve young people believed to be from the Cove area. If you see any person behaving in an anti-social manner, or know the identity of those responsible for crimes committed in your area, please call in and let us know. We will deal with all offenders and will do everything we can to make sure those who choose to commit crime are dealt with appropriately.

The weeks leading up to Bonfire Night are busy for all Emergencies as the irresponsible use of fireworks and unofficial bonfires frequently cause injury and annoyance within local communities. Last year there have been no major incidents in the Cove area and it is hoped this year will be the same. Please have fun and enjoy the celebrations, but please do so safely and responsibly.

If you would like to report an issue to the police please call us on 999 in an emergency, on 101 where you don't require an immediate police response, on-line via the Police Scotland website or in person by coming to see us at the Nigg Police Office, Abbotswell Crescent, Aberdeen.

**Non Emergency No – 101, Crime Stoppers No – 0800 555 111**

