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## **Orkney Area Command Newsletter for Orkney Community Councils**

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With a view of streamlining the process for information being shared and linking with local community councils we have elected to reinstate a quarterly newsletter. This newsletter should keep you up to date with what's happening in your area. This should reduce the requirement for officers to attend meetings and spend more time patrolling. However, should you require an officer for a specific reason please let us know in advance and we will do our best to facilitate this.

Given this is the first time a document has been compiled for quite some time we are open to taking your suggestions as to what information you would like to have within this document.

Any comments or suggestions can be emailed to  
[HighlandIslandMailKirkwall@scotland.pnn.police.uk](mailto:HighlandIslandMailKirkwall@scotland.pnn.police.uk)

### **Handy links**

**[Local Police Plan 2020 – 23](#)**



**[ASK THE POLICE](#)**

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### **Area Commander – Appointment**

Firstly we would like to acknowledge the appointment of the new Area Commander Chief Inspector Ali Garrow.

Chief Inspector Garrow joined Northern Constabulary in 1995 and has served in Nairn, the Isle of Skye, Fort William and Inverness. He has also spent time working outside the Force in specialist roles.

He has a strong background in emergency planning and security having planned the security arrangements for significant events such as Edinburgh's Hogmanay and the Open Golf. He has also worked intensively with energy industry partners and has a strong understanding of the Orkney's role in national and international energy supply.

In 2013 he spent six months on exchange in New York where he taught students there about policing in the UK while researching the emergency response to major events in the US such as 911 and Hurricane Sandy. More recently he returned to community policing in Inverness where he re-introduced a policing model based on community engagement and visibility.

He explains, 'I have worked in a very wide variety of policing roles and have studied different approaches the world over. Community policing, where the police are visible and engage with the public and partners, is the one that works. I want to build on some excellent work by my predecessor CI Matt Webb and reach even further out to all of Orkney's communities.'

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### **Performance, Accountability & Scrutiny**

Police Scotland have a National Performance Framework. This allows the organisation to measure progress, monitor activity, identify areas where resources should be deployed and demonstrate how we are meeting our intentions and objectives. We are committed to providing quarterly performance reports for strategic scrutiny to the Orkney Islands Council – Police and Fire Sub Committee who have considered and approved this Policing Plan.

For most up to date information please visit "Our Performance" section of the Police Scotland website [Our performance - Police Scotland](#)

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## Local Information

### PSYV – Orkney



Our Orkney PSYV has been on hold since the beginning of lock down. We had a good write up in the Orcadian the other week and we're looking forward to recommencing the group with a large recruitment drive – watch this space.

 @PolScotPSYV  facebook.com/PSYVPoliceScotland

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### Orkney Scam Action Group

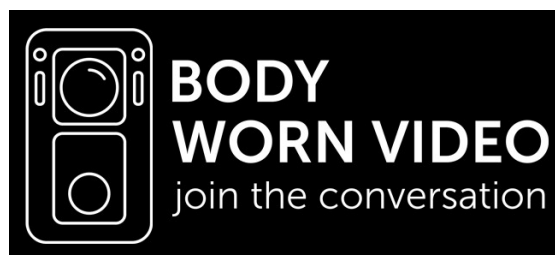


Currently chaired by Police Scotland, Orkney Scam Action Group is a collaborative approach to educating and raising awareness of scams within the Orkney community. Our aim is to stop people in Orkney falling victim to scams.

Anyone wishing further information can make contact by emailing [Orkneyscamactiongroup@gmail.com](mailto:Orkneyscamactiongroup@gmail.com)

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## National Information



**Please take some time to complete the survey by going to our [public consultation site](#).**

Easy Read and BSL versions of the survey will become available around the end of June 2021. Please let us know if you want to complete the survey in a different way (for example, over the phone) by emailing: [consultations@scotland.pnn.police.uk](mailto:consultations@scotland.pnn.police.uk).

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## Reporting and FAQ

Read about reporting and FAQ to help you understand how we are policing the restrictions.

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## Recruitment

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## **Further information**

### REPORT CRIME

- [Report hate crime](#)
- [Report a COVID-19 breach](#)
- [Anti Terrorism UK Hot Line](#)

### HOW CAN I... ?

- [Find out about recruitment](#)
- [Report lost property](#)
- [Access victim and witness support services](#)
- [Complete Your Police survey](#)
- [Make a complaint](#)

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### Local contact details

We are here to help Dial 999 for an emergency that requires urgent police attention.

For non-emergency contact call the 24- hour non-emergency contact centre on 101.

If you have information about a crime in your area and wish to provide it anonymously, call Crimestoppers charity on 0800 555 111.

If you have any concerns or issues you wish to discuss, you can contact your local Community Policing Team by phoning 101.

For more detailed information about your local community policing team and other services that Police Scotland provides, please visit our website at [www.scotland.police.uk](http://www.scotland.police.uk)

If you would like this information in an alternative format or language, please phone us on 101 to discuss your needs.

Service users who are deaf or have a hearing impairment can contact Police Scotland via Next Generation Text (NGT) on 18001, 101 for non-emergency, or 18000 in an emergency.

You can also follow us on the following social media sites:



<https://twitter.com/OrkneyPolice>



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