



SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL

# PERFORMANCE REPORT

## Q1 2023/24 CAT REPORT



Clean, green future



Fulfilling our potential



Strong inclusive economy, transport and infrastructure



Empowered, vibrant communities



Good health and wellbeing



Working together improving lives



# Q1 Community Action Team Report

This report gives a summary of the Community Action Team (CAT) activities over Quarter 1.

- The Community Action Team (CAT) has been operating at reduced strength for several months and this has been reflected in the reported statistics for quarter 4 of 2022/23 and quarter 1 of 2023/24. When the CAT was working at reduced capacity the cost to Scottish Borders Council (SBC) was adjusted by Police Scotland to ensure any payments made by SBC reflected the actual CAT resource in place at the time.
- The CAT is back up to full strength with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> June and the upturn in the statistics for June 2023 is notable. High Visibility Foot Patrols increased by over 50% in June 2023 when compared to May 2023 and Mobile Patrols increased by over 30% in the same time period.
- The number of parking tickets issued across the Borders has been lower due to the reduced CAT resourcing. Tickets issued had reduced from quarter 4 of 2022/23 (1<sup>st</sup> December 2022 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023) to the end of quarter 1 of 2023/24 (1<sup>st</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023) when compared to previous years. Now the CAT are back up to full strength plans are in place to increase the number of parking tickets issued across all localities.
- Youth warning letter numbers are low in quarter 1 of 2023/24 but this is an indication of the success of the initiative. The incidents involving young people show that most are not engaging in behaviours that would warrant a letter being issued. For those young people who receive a letter very few go on to receive a repeat letter, again suggesting that the initial letter is acting as a deterrent.



# COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM

## IMPACT REPORT FOR QUARTER 1 - APRIL 2023 to JUNE 2023

BERWICKSHIRE	CHEVIOT	EILDON	TEVIOT	TWEEDDALE
<b>TASKING DURING PERIOD</b>	<b>TASKING DURING PERIOD</b>	<b>TASKING DURING PERIOD</b>	<b>TASKING DURING PERIOD</b>	<b>TASKING DURING PERIOD</b>
1. Thefts from rural properties in Berwickshire.	1. Following intelligence received drugs warrants were executed in Jedburgh and Kelso in May.	1. Following intelligence received drugs warrants were executed in Galashiels in May.	1. Hoax calls being made from a public call box in Burnfoot on a regular basis.	1. Following intelligence received a drugs warrant was executed in Peebles in May.

**All Localities**

- Common Riding events
- Speeding

BERWICKSHIRE	CHEVIOT	EILDON	TEVIOT	TWEEDDALE
<b>EVIDENCE OF IMPACT</b>	<b>EVIDENCE OF IMPACT</b>	<b>EVIDENCE OF IMPACT</b>	<b>EVIDENCE OF IMPACT</b>	<b>EVIDENCE OF IMPACT</b>
1. Static road checks were undertaken in rural areas at all times of day to deter and detect rural acquisitive crime in June.	1. 3 properties were searched in Jedburgh and 1 in Kelso with positive results.	1. 2 properties were searched in Galashiels with positive results.	1. Hoax call stickers have been created and placed on phone boxes in an attempt to deter misuse of the 999 system	1. A property was searched in Peebles with positive results.

**All Localities**

- SBCAT have patrolled at several Common Riding events throughout the Borders
- A working group has been set up to introduce a Community Speed Watch pilot programme where community volunteers will monitor speed of traffic in designated areas in the Borders

### COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM (CAT) ACTIONS

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4																
Raised in Quarter	2				3				5				5				4			
Accepted in Quarter	0				2				5				4				3			

<b>% of tasking accepted by the CAT across all localities</b>	<b>2022/23</b> 60%	<b>2023/24 Year to date</b> 69%
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**NOTE:** Not all issues received and discussed at the CAT oversight group meeting are taken on as actions by the CAT. Some actions may be more appropriately followed up and actioned by another service within SBC or by a partner organisation. Also some actions are tasked directly through Police Scotland so are not reflected in the figures above but show the impact the team is having in the Borders.

# COMMUNITY ACTION TEAM

## IMPACT REPORT FOR QUARTER 1 - APRIL 2023 to JUNE 2023



### HI-VISIBILITY FOOT PATROL (HOURS)



Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
130			

Foot patrols are the number hours CAT officers spend in a specific location carrying out foot patrols. The figure quoted is in individual officer hours.

### MOBILE PATROL (HOURS)



Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
703			

Mobile patrols are those carried out in marked Police Scotland vehicles and can involve 1 or more officers. The figure quoted is in individual officer hours.

### STATIC ROAD CHECKS



Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
83			

Static road checks are proactive stops of vehicles in known problem locations to prevent or detect criminal or antisocial acts involving vehicles.

### ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR WARNING LETTERS ISSUED TO UNDER 18s



Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
9			

Where young people aged under 18 are evidenced committing antisocial behaviour (including drinking alcohol) warning letters are issued to parents/guardians to advise them of the situation.

### NUMBER OF DRUG SEARCHES UNDERTAKEN PERSONS



Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
2			

**50%** of searches were positive for drugs in quarter 1.

### NUMBER OF DRUG SEARCHES UNDERTAKEN PREMISES



Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
14			

**79%** of searches were positive for drugs in quarter 1.

	BERWICKSHIRE				CHEVIOT				EILDON				TEVIOT				TWEEDDALE			
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
<b>PARKING:</b> No of Tickets Issued	3				3				29				1				8			
<b>2023/24 Year all localities</b>	<b>Q1</b>				<b>Q2</b>				<b>Q3</b>				<b>Q4</b>							
	44																			