



Eskbank/Newbattle Community Council Report February 2022



During the month of between the dates of 11th May 7th June 2022, in the Eskbank and Newbattle area approximately crimes have been recorded, of which at the time of reporting 25 have been solved which is a solvency rate of approximately 40%

It should be observed that several crime reports relate to issues that are not of note to the local community, the above numbers are representative and should accurate verified statistics be required this should be dealt with via a freedom of information request.

In this block there was 104 calls to police, these included some of the following.

Domestic related incidents	2
Assist members of public/concern for person.	17
Theft	10
Road traffic matters	11
Disturbance/public nuisance.	3
Suspicious person/housebreaking	0

Incidents of note

On 16th May 2022 At the Tesco Car Park, Hardengreen, a 30 year old male was arrested for acting in a threatening and abusive manner towards officers and causing a disturbance in public. The male was taken into police custody and released once calm. A report has been submitted to the procurator fiscal.

On 24th May 2022 At Eskbank Roundabout, Eskbank, Officers stopped a vehicle due to the driver not wearing a seatbelt. Officers believed the driver to be under the influence of drugs, to which, the driver failed a drug roadside cannabis swab. The Driver was taken into police custody and will be reported to the procurator fiscal pending further forensic analysis results.

On 29th of May 2022 a 38 year old male attempted to steal a flat screen television from Tesco supermarket, Hardengreen, Dalkeith. The male was arrested and taken into police custody. A report has been submitted to the procurator fiscal.

On 1st June 2022 at Eskbank Roundabout, Esbank, A male driver collided with another vehicle due to his careless manner of driving. The male was cautioned and charged for Careless driving and driving without vehicle excise. A report has been submitted to the procurator fiscal.

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On 3rd June 2022 a male in his twenties to thirties has been captured on CCTV disposing of bin bags full of compost outside of the entrance to a business premises in Newbattle Road, Newbattle. CCTV enquiries ongoing in attempts to identify the culprit.

Community officers will be holding a community walk in clinic on Thursday 14th July. Location to be confirmed but will likely be at the College in Dalhousie Road, Eskbank. Email will be sent to the community council email with confirmation of this location.

Can I take this time to thanks the community for their continued efforts to make police aware and to build a stronger safer community?

Community Neighbourhood watch advice can be obtained from the below link. Bringing the community together and communicating among ourselves is an extra step we can take to help combat crimes of dishonesty and opportunists.

Residents are encouraged to take responsible preventative measures in relation to the security of their personal belongings. Lock doors windows, secure outhouse, appropriate lighting/security lights. Report suspicious activity in the area, to name a few.

<https://www.neighbourhoodwatchscotland.co.uk>

Thieves continue to operate in our area.

Crime prevention advice can be given completely free of charge, and crime prevention surveys can be arranged by contacting Dalkeith CPT at the email address below.

PC Juan Martinez

Information regarding crime can be passed to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111 or through an anonymous Online Form - both of these routes are completely anonymous and available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Police Scotland use social media to circulate the latest news, events and information to the public via Twitter (@Midlothpolice) and Facebook (www.facebook.com/midlothianpolice).

E-mail your local Community Policing Team

DalkeithCPT@Scotland.pnn.police.uk

Or call on 101.

Remember in an emergency ALWAYS dial 999.