



Police Report November 2020
Beat Area MS01 / MS02 – Gorebridge / Gowkshill

Between 20th October 2020 and 16th September 2020 in the beat area MS01 (Gorebridge) there were **46** recorded crimes, of which **26** were solved. This is a detection rate of **56%**.

Between 20th October 2020 and 16th September 2020 in the beat area MS02 (Gowkshill) there was **14** recorded crimes, of which 13 were solved. This is a detection rate of **92%**

During this time period there were **202** calls to Police for both areas.

Incidents of Note

CRIMES OF DISHONESTY

- On 24th October 2020, a female entered the Scotmid on Hunterfield Road and stole a quantity of goods. She was identified by CCTV and charged with shoplifting. The female also had bail conditions preventing her from being in Gorebridge and was reported for this also.
- On 8th November 2020, a male was found in the rear garden of an address in Bonnybank Court. Police were contacted by the informant who was shown a book of suspects and identified a known recidivist offender. The male has been charged with being at a locus with the intent to steal.

CRIMES OF VIOLENCE AND DISORDER

- On 20th October 2020, a male was charged with acting in a threatening and abusive manner towards a female at an address in Barleyknowe Crescent. He has been reported to the PF.
- On 24th October 2020, Police were contacted by a female on Swan Crescent after fireworks were fired at her house from a moving vehicle. Enquiries are ongoing to trace those responsible.
- On 31st October 2020, Police were contacted by a number of people reporting an ongoing disturbance at Whitehouse Gardens. Upon Police arrival, it became apparent that a number of people had been assaulted with two people requiring hospital treatment. A male has been charged with serious assault and reported to the PF.

ROAD TRAFFIC

- On 20th October 2020, police received a report of a female driving under the influence of drugs. The vehicle was located at an address in

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Hunterfield Road. The owner of the vehicle provided details of who was driving the vehicle and it was discovered that the female had no driving licence and no insurance to drive the vehicle. She was charged and reported to the PF.

- On 9th November 2020, officers carried out a routine stop on a vehicle travelling on Hunterfield Road. Upon carrying out checks, the driver was found to not have any valid insurance on the vehicle and had no MOT for the car. He was charged and reported to the PF.

DRUGS

- On 27th October 2020, a drugs warrant was executed at an address on Wilson Road, Gorebridge. An array of drug cultivation equipment was found and a quantity of drugs. As a result a male and female have been charged with drug production and reported to the PF.
- On 27th October 2020, a drugs warrant was executed at an address on St Andrews Way and found a quantity of drugs. The female occupier has been charged and reported to the PF.
- On 8th November 2020, a vehicle was stopped by Police on Hogarth Avenue. Officers thereafter carried out a search of the vehicle and found a quantity of drugs within. A male has been charged and reported to the PF.

Additional information

What is Hate Crime?

Any crime which is perceived by the victim or any other person as being motivated (wholly or partly) by malice and/or ill-will towards a social group. The social groups currently covered by hate crime legislation are: Disability, Race, Religion, Sexual Orientation and Transgender Identity. Hate crime happens in many different ways, and can include damage to property, someone shouting and swearing at you, threatening or verbally abusing you, being physically attacked or receiving online abuse. Hate crime can happen anywhere, for example, at home, on public transport, in the street, in school, college or at work. It can also happen online. If you think you have been targeted because you have a disability then this is hate crime.

Key Messages

- Disability hate crime is never acceptable - whether you're a victim or you witness a hate crime - report it.
- No one should suffer from hate crime - don't put up with it – report it.

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- Don't tolerate hate crime in your community - together we can tackle disability hate crime.
- Disability hate crime can take place anywhere, in the home, the workplace, education or online - recognise hate crime and report it.

Bystanders

- If you witness someone with a disability being abused in a public place, it's important that you don't let it go by without taking action. We're not talking about putting yourself at risk, there are a number of ways that you can report an incident, and demonstrate that disability hate crime has no place in our society.
- In some cases victims and bystanders of Hate Crime do not feel comfortable reporting the matter directly to the Police, and may be more comfortable reporting it to someone they are familiar with. For more information visit the [Third Party Reporting](#) page in the Contact Us section.
- I Am Me is a community charity working in partnership with Police Scotland to raise awareness of, and, tackle disability hate crime. You can find out more by visiting the [I AM ME Scotland](#) Keep Safe app page.

'Mate' Crime

- Mate Crime is when someone says they are a friend, but they use this friendship to take advantage of people with disabilities.
- This can include taking money, asking them to do things they don't want to do or hurting them. If you or someone you know has a disability and are being taken advantage of, we want you to report it to the police.
- Mate Crime can involve a number of people including friends, family and carers. Even if the exploitation is not an illegal act, this can still have a negative impact on the individual.

The community are reminded that Dalkeith Community Policing team can be contacted at any time to provide guidance and advice, and are available at the below email address.

Should you require anything in the meantime please don't hesitate to get in touch as per below.

MidlothianSouthCPT@Scotland.pnn.police.uk

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

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Hate crime incidents and domestic abuse incidents can now be reported online via the official Police Scotland website, www.scotland.police.uk or by visiting a third Party Reporting Centre.

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.