



Police Report Jun/July 2020
Beat Area MS01 / MS02 – Gorebridge /
Gowkshill



Between 16th June 2020 and 17th August 2020 in the beat area MS01 (Gorebridge) there were **99** recorded crimes, of which **50** were solved. This is a detection rate of **51%**.

Between 16th June 2020 and 17th August 2020 in the beat area MS02 (Gowkshill) there was **25** recorded crimes, of which **17** was solved. This is a detection rate of **68%**

During this time period there were **498** calls to Police for both areas.

CRIMES OF DISHONESTY

- Following a call from a local medical surgery, a male was reported for fraud after trying to obtain medication using false details.
- Police were called on 25th June to St Andrews Way, following an altercation in a garden. A female has caused damage to plants and then thrown an item at a car causing damage. The female was charged with vandalism.
- On 30th June, a female was observed taking goods from a retail premises on Hunterfield Road. The female was identified by staff & CCTV. She was later traced and charged with shoplifting.

CRIMES OF VIOLENCE AND DISORDER

- On 21st June, a male was traced in connection with a domestic incident near Glenview Court. On speaking with the male, he became aggressive with officers and was restrained. He was held in custody.
- On 12th July, officers were called to Hillside Crescent North following an altercation. A male had come out from his property and started to make threats to another male in the garden, this escalated into a full assault with the male thrown to the ground three times. The accused was traced and arrested, then released with special conditions.
- On 12th August, a male has contacted a female who resided near Braeside Road North. The male has made threats regarding an upcoming court case, this was a breach of his bail conditions. The male was traced, arrested and charged.

ROAD TRAFFIC

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- On 29th June, officers observed a vehicle on Station Road, following checks, the driver did not have a license or insurance. The car was seized by Police and the driver reported for summons.
- On 8th August, a vehicle made off from Police and was discovered near Springfield Place with a male nearby. The male was then unruly with officers, refusing a roadside breath test and then resisted arrest. The male was eventually arrested and charged with six offences

DRUGS

- On 13th July, a male was spoken to by Police on Braeside Road South. Following further checks, the male was in possession of a controlled substance. He was charged and issued a Recorded Police Warning.
- On 28th July, officers were on Hunterfield Road, when they observed two males acting suspiciously. The males appeared to exchange an item, at this point Police intervened and searched both males, only one was found in possession of cannabis, following a further search of the home address, a substantial amount of controlled drugs were seized by officers. The male was held in custody until attending court the next day.

OTHER OFFENCES

- On 25th July, five males camped on an island on Gladhouse Reservoir, their boat drifted away and they contacted the emergency services. Both Police and the Fire Service attended and the males were rescued. They argued with emergency workers and showed a complete disregard for the situation, all five were charged by Police and given a Recorded Police Warning.

Additional information

Summer Safety

2020 is certainly going to be a summer to remember. The coronavirus pandemic has markedly changed our society. With the majority of the nation working at home, and many juggling work commitments with home schooling, time spent outdoors has become an important part of daily life.

As we spend more time outdoors, we must consider risks to safety. Here are a few tips to help have a safe and enjoyable summer. As we spend more time outdoors, we must consider risks to safety. Here are a few tips to help have a safe and enjoyable summer. For guidance on coronavirus (COVID-19) please visit the [Scottish Government website](#).

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Although we are spending more time at home, it is still important to remember to secure your home when you are outside enjoying the sunshine. Many thieves are actually opportunists who do not have to break in at all because a door or window has been left open or unlocked.

For more information visit the [Home and Personal Property](#) section of Police Scotland website.

Be responsible and have a safe summer by:

- Locking the front door and windows when sunbathing in the back garden.
- Locking all doors and windows when going out to the shops or for exercise.
- Remember to lock all sheds and outbuildings after gardening.
- Never leaving keys on the inside of door locks, under mats or anywhere else an intruder may easily find them. Don't keep house keys and car keys on the same key ring.
- Not leaving valuables in sight of windows.
- Avoiding keeping large amounts of cash in the house. If you must then disperse it in various locations.
- Security marking your property with a UV marker pen, which you can use to place an invisible imprint of your postcode and house number on your possessions.
- Recording details of your valuables, such as mobile phone, cameras, laptops and tablets on the national mobile property register at immobilise.com.

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).

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.

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