



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



Between 18th August 2020 and 13th September 2020 in the beat area MS01 (Gorebridge) there were **30** recorded crimes, of which **25** were solved. This is a detection rate of **83%**.

Between 18th August 2020 and 13th September 2020 in the beat area MS02 (Gowkshill) there was **5** recorded crimes, of which **4** were solved. This is a detection rate of **80%**

During this time period there were **191** calls to Police for both areas.

CRIMES OF DISHONESTY

- On 20th August a male near Hunterfield Terrace damaged an outside gas meter box, leaving it in a dangerous condition and position. The male was charged with culpable and reckless conduct.

CRIMES OF VIOLENCE AND DISORDER

- A female youth was assaulted on 18th August near Barleyknowe Lane by another female. Following enquiries, a female was traced and reported to the Juvenile Liaison Officer.
- On 26th August on Hunterfield Road, a male made threats to slash and damage property and also assault the male victim. Police traced the male nearby and he was arrested and reported on a police summons.
- On 3rd September, officers attended at an address near David Herkes Way, following a male making threats on the phone. On arriving the male brandished a knife and officers had to restrain him to secure the knife. The male was arrested and taken into custody.

ROAD TRAFFIC

- On 18th September, officers observed a vehicle near Carlowrie Place, following checks the car had no insurance and the driver no licence, the car was seized and the driver reported.

DRUGS

- On 21st August, officers stopped a vehicle near Glen View Road, on speaking with the driver, they detected the smell of drugs. The male driver was tested and failed the saliva test and was also found in possession of cannabis. He was reported for both offences.

OTHER OFFENCES

- A male entered a shop on Main Street and made threats to staff. On checking the male, he had bail conditions that he had breached. He was arrested and held in custody to appear at court the next day.
- Following an illegal gathering at Kirkhill Mansion on 30th August, two males were charged with offences and enquiries are ongoing to trace other persons involved with this matter.

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.
- 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.

OFFICIAL

- 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).

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.