



## ANGUS COUNCIL

# Angus Council Scrutiny and Audit Committee

Report by Chief Superintendent Eddie Smith  
(Quarter ending 30 September 2015)



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## **BACKGROUND TO THIS REPORT**

As from April 2013, the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 has required Police Scotland to produce and publish a Local Policing Plan (LPP) for each local authority area. The LPP clearly sets out the policing priorities for Angus.

Performance in relation to the identified policing priorities is monitored and reviewed internally on a weekly basis. Quarterly reports are produced to allow scrutiny by Angus Council Scrutiny and Audit Committee. This report covers the period from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2015.

Data provided in this report is for information purposes to allow Board Members to conduct their scrutiny responsibilities.

This report will make reference to crime groupings. Groups 1-4 refer to an amalgamation of four crime groups. They are Group 1, consisting of violent crime; Group 2 covering sexual offences; Group 3 covers a wide range of crimes of dishonesty; and Group 4 includes vandalism, fire-raising and malicious mischief.

## Serious and Organised Crime

Tackling Serious and Organised Crime Groups (SOCGs) throughout Angus remains a key focus for the Area Commander. A small unit of 5 officers based in Arbroath exploits every intervention and enforcement opportunity as they arise.

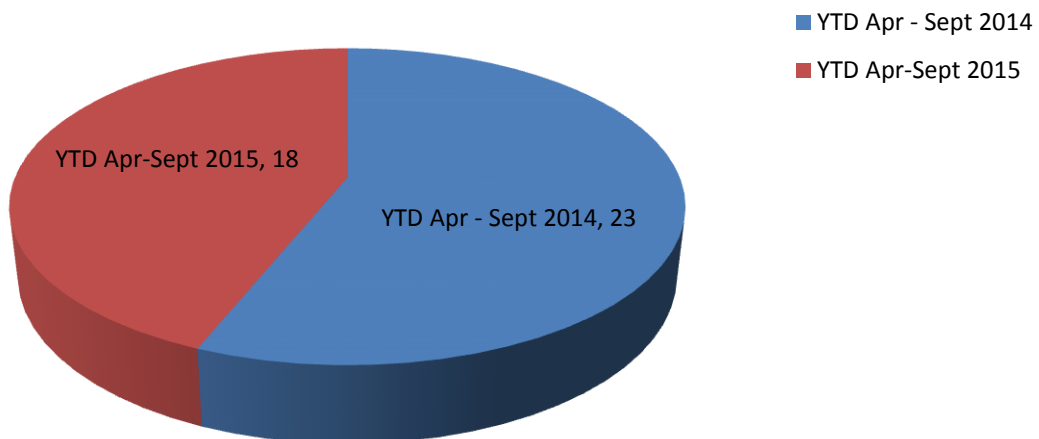
The team are well supported by Intelligence, Proactive and Operational Support Units based throughout the wider Division.

Angus Command also maintains a 2 officer team dedicated to the TISS project, where intensive support is provided to identified and engaging individuals who suffer from addictions and are involved in criminality to fund these. The team works very closely with Criminal Justice Social Work, various third sector providers as well the Procurator Fiscal service.

## Serious and Organised Crime

		5 year average	Apr-Sept 2014	Apr-Sept 2015	% Change from last year
22	Number of detections for drugs supply, production, cultivation.	36.4	23	18	-21.7%

### Number of detections for drug supply, production and cultivation



### Public Protection and Safety

Overall crimes of violence have increased by 3.6% this year compared to the same period last year. Serious assaults have also seen an increase from 24 during this period last year to 33 this year. However we have maintained a solid detection rate of 97%.

Robberies have seen a significant reduction across Angus LPA with a decrease of 41.2%, which equates to 7 fewer robberies compared to the same period last year.

Police Scotland and Angus LPA continue to have a zero tolerance approach to domestic abuse. This quarter has seen a small increase in the number of reported domestic abuse incidents, a rise of 1.5%. We have ongoing approaches to assist and support victims of domestic abuse and continue to work with our partners in this respect. We robustly monitor prisoner release processes and conduct perpetrator visits.

The area commander continues as the Chairperson of the Angus Violence Against Women Partnership, which is a thriving and very well supported group and includes representation from all statutory and many voluntary groups.

Hate crime detection rates have decreased by -17.6% (97.2% to 79.6%) – comments??

### Public Protection and Safety

		5 year average	Apr-Sept 2014	Apr-Sept 2015	% change from last year
1	Total Number Group 1: Crimes of Violence	47.4	56	58	3.6%
2	Murder	0.4	0	0	-
3	Attempted Murder	3.8	2	2	0.0%
4	Culpable Homicide (common law)	-	0	0	-
5	Culpable Homicide (other)	-	0	0	-
6	Serious Assault detection rate	86.8%	100%	97.0%	-3.0%
7	Serious Assault	22.0	24	33	37.5%
8	Robbery detection rate	93.2%	88.2%	70.0%	-18.2%
9	Robbery	7.0	17	10	-41.2%
10	Petty (Common) Assault detection rate	81.2%	84.5%	83.1%	-1.4%
11	Petty (common) Assault	610	657	761	15.8%

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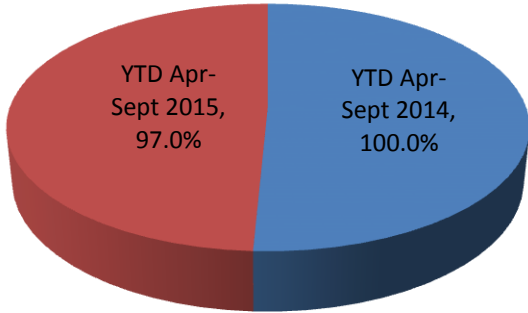
13	Number of Domestic Abuse incidents reported to the Police	-	673	683	1.5%
14	Total crimes and offences in Domestic Abuse incidents	-	453	489	7.9%
15	Percentage of Domestic incidents that result in a crime being recorded	-	56.8%	59.0%	2.2%
16	Total crimes and offences in Domestic Abuse incidents detection rate	-	79.7%	85.3%	5.6%
17	Total detections for Domestic Bail offences	-	42	44	4.8%
18	95% of initial Domestic Abuse Bail Checks are conducted within 24hrs	-	-	94.2%	-
19	Hate crime and offences detection rate	-	97.2%	79.6%	-17.6%
33	Number of Group 2: Crimes of Indecency	85.8	114	154	35.1%
34	Group 2 crimes detection rate	78.7%	74.6%	65.6%	-9.0%
35	Rape detection rate	62.1%	77.8%	50.0%	-27.8%

		June-August 2015	June-August 2015 (Positive)	
20	Number of Stop and Searches conducted (total)	199	54	
21	Number of Statutory Stop and Searches conducted	138	41	
22	Number of Consensual Stop and Searches conducted	61	13	
23	Number of Consensual Stop and Searches refused	0	-	
24	Number of seizures made	20	-	

An enhanced version of the National Stop and Search Database commenced on 1 June 2015. The enhanced database brought significant changes in the process of data capture and the methodology for recording data items. No previous year to date figures are provided as it has been recognised this data is not 100% accurate, therefore comparisons will provide misleading results or invalid conclusions. Management information and data in respect of stop and search can be found on the Police Scotland website via <http://www.scotland.police/about-us/police-scotland/stop-and-search-data-publication>

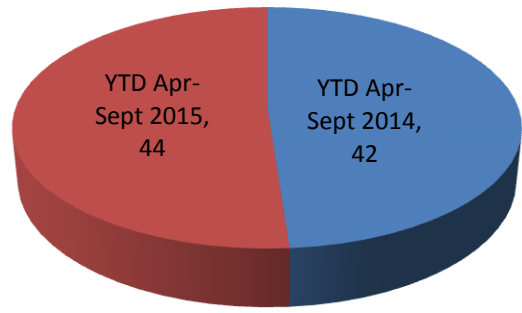
### Serious Assault - Detection Rates

■ YTD Apr-Sept 2014 ■ YTD Apr-Sept 2015



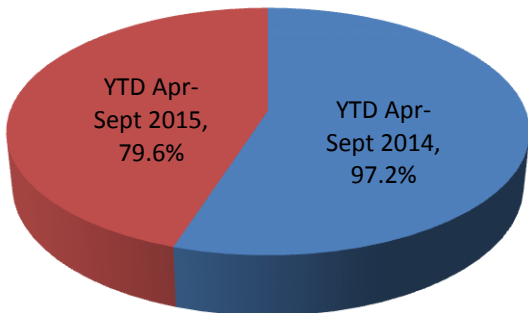
### Domestic Bail Offences - Total Detections

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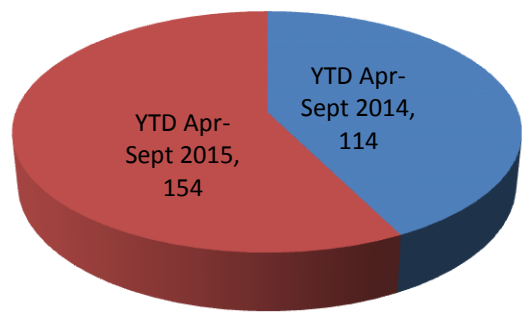
### Hate Crime - Detection Rates

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### Number of Group 2 - Crimes of Indecency

■ YTD Apr-Sept 2014 ■ YTD Apr-Sept 2015



## Road Safety

The strategic priority for road safety is keeping people safe on the roads of Angus.

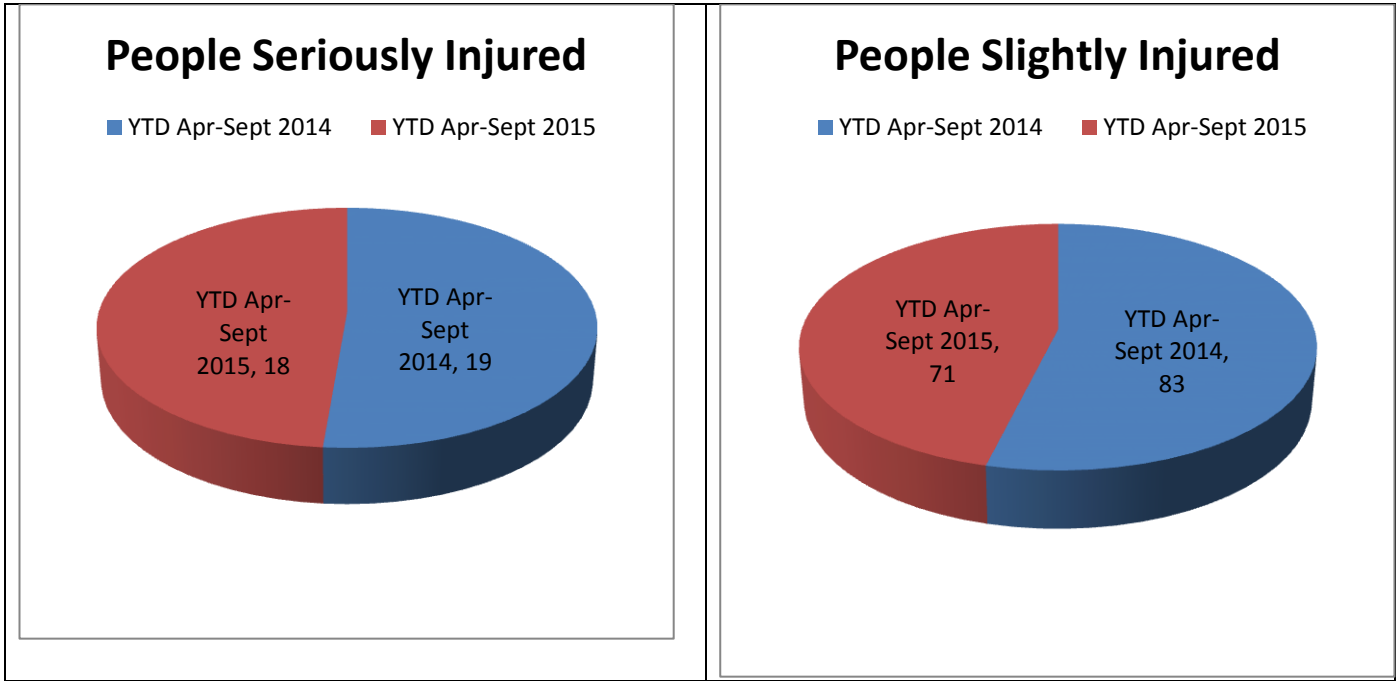
This period has seen an increase of 100% in the number of people killed on the roads in Angus, with 4 people having tragically lost their lives. There has been an improvement in those both seriously injured and slightly injured during this period compared to the same period last year, with a reduction of 5.3% and 14.5%, respectively.

No children were killed or seriously injured on our roads.

## Road Traffic Statistics

		5 year average	Apr-Sept 2014	Apr-Sept 2015	% Change from last year
N/A	People Killed	-	2	4	100%
N/A	People Seriously Injured	-	19	18	-5.3%
N/A	People Slightly Injured	-	83	71	-14.5%
N/A	Children (aged<16) Killed	-	0	0	-
N/A	Children (aged<16) Seriously Injured	-	0	0	-
36	Dangerous driving	31	30	86	156.7%
37	Speeding	856	1118	1043	-6.7%
38	Disqualified driving	13.8	6	14	133.3%
39	Driving Licence	63.8	65	115	76.9%
40	Insurance	151.8	129	220	70.5%
41	Seat Belts	146	148	33	-77.7%
42	Mobile Phone	73.8	103	43	-58.3%





### Antisocial Behaviour

We continue to work with our partners to target those individuals who commit antisocial behaviour in our community. In comparison to the same period last year we have achieved a further drop in the number of complaints of disorder reported, from 2271 to 2031, a reduction of 10.6%.

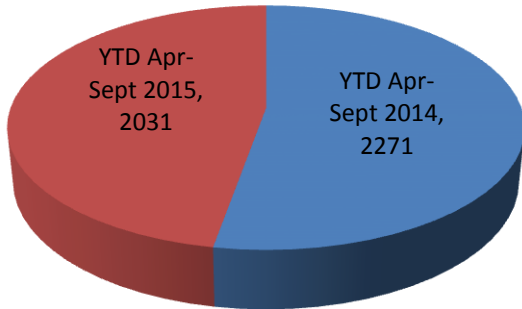
The consumption of alcohol in public places within Angus has increased by 50% which equates to 2 additional detections. We will continue to direct our attention to areas where this behaviour is conducted and work with our partners to provide reassurance in these areas.

### Antisocial Behaviour

		5 year average	Apr-Sept 2014	Apr-Sept 2015	% Change from last year
12	Number of complaints regarding disorder	-	2271	2031	-10.6%
27	Vandalism & Malicious Mischief detection rate	33.6%	32.1%	29.5%	-2.6%
28	Vandalism & Malicious Mischief	540.8	408	501	22.8%
74	Number of detections for Consuming Alcohol in a designated place (where appropriate byelaws exist)	-	4	6	50.0%

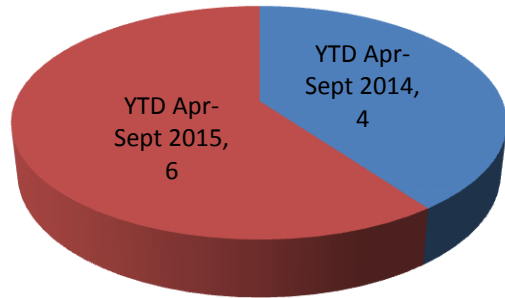
## Number of Complaints Regarding Disorder

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## Consumption of Alcohol in Designated Places - Detection Rates

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## Theft and Scams

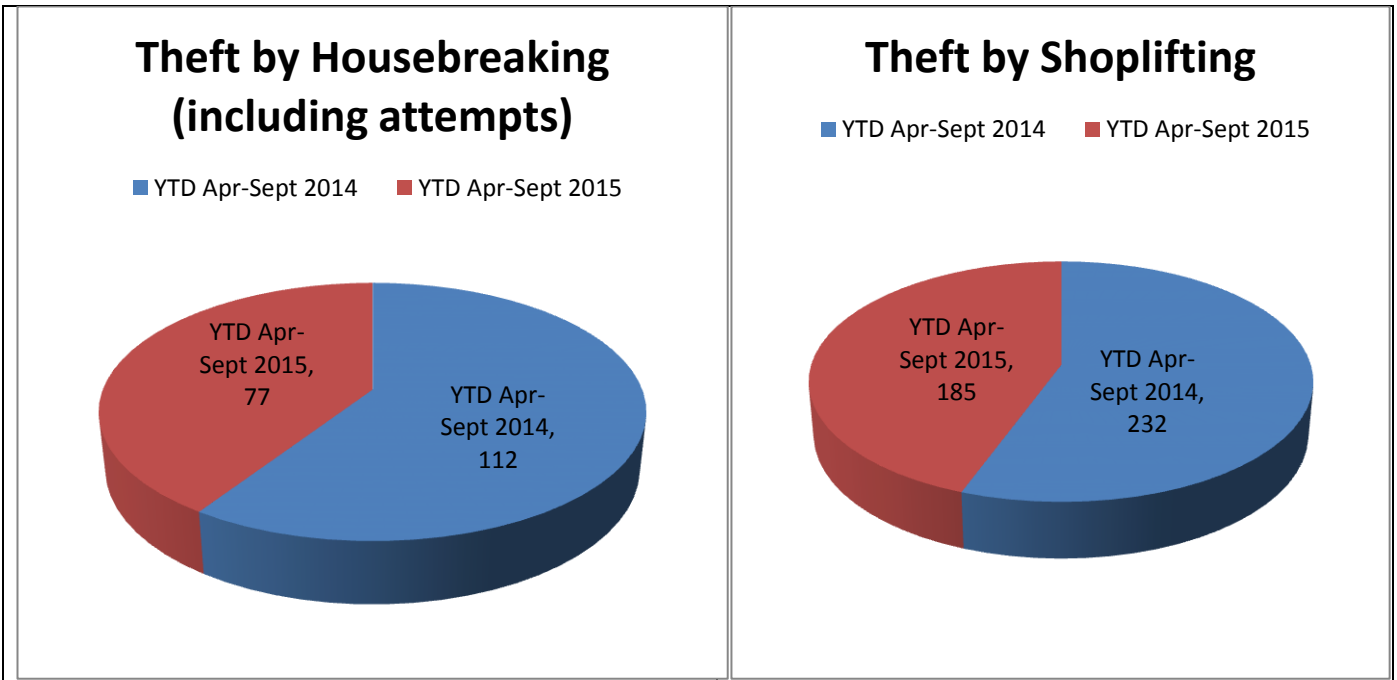
The number of instances of theft by housebreaking (including attempts) has decreased by 31.3% compared to the same period last year and is currently 54 below the five year average. Detection rates for housebreaking have increased by almost 8%. This can be, in part, attributed to the work being carried out by officers across the division.

With the onset of winter we cannot and will not become complacent.

Theft by shoplifting has decreased by 20.3% and the detection rate is 76.2%. Good partnership working with retail premises is crucial in maintaining these high rates, with loss prevention advice being given to premises at risk. As we move towards the festive period we will continue to work with our partners to target this type of crime.

In conjunction with the Angus Council Protection Officer, Trading Standards Department and Social Work, a virtual Financial Abuse Support Team has been introduced to deal with reports of financial scamming. The team can be activated within hours of a report being received by any agency and an assessment made as to how best to (1) assess vulnerability (2) take steps to prevent any further loss, and (3) which agency is best placed to lead an enquiry. The team has already dealt with a significant number of referrals.

Theft by Housebreaking and Theft by Shoplifting					
		5 year average	Apr-Sept 2014	Apr-Sept 2015	% Change from last year
23	Theft by housebreaking (including attempts) detection rate	25.9%	22.3%	29.9%	7.6%
24	Theft by housebreaking (including attempts)	131	112	77	-31.3%
25	Theft by shoplifting detection rate	86.0%	85.3%	76.2%	-9.1%
26	Theft by shoplifting	293	232	185	-20.3%



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	Arbroath East & Lunan			Arbroath West & Letham			Brechin & Edzell			Carnoustie & District		
	Rec	Det	%	Rec	Det	%	Rec	Det	%	Rec	Det	%
Groups 1-5	504	254	50.4%	199	92	46.2%	177	86	48.6%	115	49	42.6%
Groups 1-4	365	131	35.9%	158	58	36.7%	152	61	40.1%	99	35	35.4%
All Group 1	17	15	88.2%	5	5	100%	5	4	80.0%	-	-	-
Murder/ Attempt Murder	1	1	100%	-	-	-	1	1	100%	-	-	-
Serious Assault	11	11	100%	3	3	100%	3	3	100%	-	-	-
Robbery	3	2	66.7%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Common Assault	194	172	88.7%	73	64	87.7%	84	61	72.6%	41	34	82.9%
Knives/ Offensive Weapons	5	5	100%	4	3	75%	1	1	100%	-	-	-
Drugs Supply/ Production	5	5	100%	4	3	75%	2	2	100%	1	1	100%
All Group 2	28	20	71.4%	19	12	63.2%	20	7	35.0%	18	13	72.2%
Housebreaking	16	5	31.3%	9	-	-	9	4	44.4%	3	1	33.3%
Shoplifting	51	33	64.7%	33	24	72.7%	10	11	110%	6	6	100%
	Forfar & District			Kirriemuir & Dean			Monifieth & Sidlaw			Montrose & District		
	Rec	Det	%	Rec	Det	%	Rec	Det	%	Rec	Det	%
Groups 1-5	410	244	59.5%	146	62	42.5%	133	43	32.3%	298	186	62.4%
Groups 1-4	300	146	48.7%	123	40	32.5%	116	30	25.9%	221	109	49.3%
All Group 1	12	11	91.7%	2	1	50.0%	3	4	133.3%	14	11	78.6%
Murder/ Attempt Murder	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Serious Assault	7	7	100%	1	1	100%	3	3	100%	5	4	80.0%
Robbery	1	1	100%	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	4	66.7%
Common Assault	122	109	89.3%	47	35	74.5%	36	28	77.8%	159	128	80.5%
Knives/ Offensive Weapons	6	5	83.3%	1	1	100%	1	1	100%	13	13	100%
Drugs Supply/ Production	5	5	100%	3	2	66.7%	1	1	100%	1	-	-
All Group 2	20	15	75.0%	11	5	45.5%	6	5	83.3%	30	22	73.3%
Housebreaking	10	8	80.0%	10	2	20.0%	8	1	12.5%	11	2	18.2%
Shoplifting	39	34	87.2%	10	7	70.0%	3	2	66.7%	27	21	77.8%

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