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Millom & South Copeland



In this month's newsletter you will read about some of the things that we have been doing throughout July.

In July, we launched Operation Enhance after we secured extra funding to see extra patrols in 18 areas - including in Copeland - identified by statistical analysis as the county's hotspot areas of anti-social behaviour and serious violence.

Inspector Richard Smillie

OPERATION ENHANCE: Tell us your thoughts about anti-social behaviour and violence hotspots in West Cumbria

We, the Police and Crime Commissioner and partners have secured £1 million of extra funding which will see extra patrols in 18 areas - including in Copeland - identified by statistical analysis as the county's hotspot areas of anti-social behaviour and serious violence. These areas include:

- Workington Town Centre
- Maryport Town Centre
- Maryport South
- Whitehaven Town Centre
- Cleator Moor



Please take five minutes to complete this survey: [ASB Hotspots Survey \(office.com\)](https://office.com/ASB-Hotspots-Survey)

More about [#OperationEnhance](#) here - [Commissioner and Constabulary to crackdown on anti-social behaviour and serious violence across Cumbria - Cumbria Constabulary](#)

You said, we did

You said: Anti-social driving and use of E-scooters in Millom Town Centre and Haverigg with main locations reported as Horn Hill (near junction to Moor Road and North Lane Kirksanton, Silecroft, The Green & The Hill was an issue.

As a result we did:

- Liaised with Collision reduction and safer highways
 - We will be in the area carrying out speed checks
 - Speed strips added across road at The Green and The Hill to collect traffic data
 - Speed awareness using community speed gun
 - High visibility patrols around Millom including Old Ironworks Nature Reserve and local footpaths (off road bikes and quadbikes)
 - Number of Vehicle registrations have been obtained, further enquiries to be carried out with registered keepers
 - Vehicles stopped and checked by police
 - Spoken to a number of vehicle owners about manner of driving.
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You said, we did

You said: Off road pit bikes and mopeds on Old Ironworks Nature Reserve

As a result we did:

- We have actively patrolled the area with a total of seven hours recorded at this location.
 - The Town Council have highlighted Ironworks is a “Nature Reserve” in local media and as such NO motorbikes/scrambler bike-quad bikes are allowed
 - Identified where offending vehicles are from and visits conducted
 - Police continue to target the area and are carrying out enquiries to identify offenders
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Road Safety - 2024 update

The Copeland Neighbourhood team take road safety seriously and target those who use our roads illegally and dangerously.

Over the last 6 months your local officers have -

- Issued 51 Traffic Offence Reports
- Seized 15 vehicles which were taken off the road

These were as a result of numerous offences including, no insurance, no driving licence, using a mobile phone, no tax...the list goes on.

We will continue this hard work again over the next 6 months and take positive action on any offenders

Drug supply and use - report it

We are looking to challenge the use and supply of drugs.

Tell us about:

- 👉 Suspicious activity on your street
- 👉 Suspicious people or vehicles on your street
- 👉 Drug supply in your community
- 👉 Any concerns about crime in your neighbourhood

Anyone with information can report online at www.cumbria.police.uk/report-it.

Alternatively you can contact Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111.

StreetSafe is a service that allows you to report safety concerns in public places without giving us your name.

This includes issues like poorly lit streets, abandoned buildings, or vandalism, as well as instances where you feel unsafe due to someone following or verbally abusing you.

Report an issue here: [StreetSafe | Cumbria Police](#)



Upcoming community police events 🚓



Millom Library



Mon 19 August 2024



6:00PM - 7:00PM



Thwaites Village Hall car park



Tue 20 August 2024



6:00PM - 7:00PM



Bootle car park (near public toilets)



Wed 21 August 2024



6:00PM - 7:00PM

For more information, please visit our website and enter your postcode in the Your Area section.

Your local officers

Want to know who your local officers are?

Simply go to our website - www.cumbria.police.uk

Scroll down the home page and you can browse different areas to see who your local team are - or enter your postcode.

Not only will you be able to find out who your named local officers and PCSOs are, you will also be able to view our local policing priorities and details of any meetings or events we will be attending.



Join Us!

Have you ever thought about being a police officer, special constable, PCSO or staff member?

Could you be make a real difference to people in Cumbria and help keep them safe?

Recruitment is open now. We are looking for enthusiastic and dedicated people to apply now to join our teams.



For more information on the role of a police officer and the numerous entry routes, please visit www.cumbria.police.uk/careers.

Independent Advisory Group (IAG) Cumbria Police

Cumbria Constabulary are now recruiting for Independent Advisory Group (IAG) members from all communities that live and work within Cumbria. This is an exciting opportunity to contribute towards improving policing and wider service delivery throughout Cumbria.



This is a voluntary role and we welcome applications from all members of communities within Cumbria to contribute to providing, constructive and impartial advice that will enhance our service delivery.

To apply fill out the form here: [Apply to join an Independent Advisory Group \(IAG\) | Cumbria Police](#)



HMICFRS Inspection Constabulary endorsed for the work they are doing

Responding to the publication of the HMICFRS' Peel inspection report, Chief Constable, Rob Carden said: "We welcome HMICFRS' PEEL inspection report, published today, which shares the findings of an independent, robust scrutiny process by a team of inspectors over the past year.

"The grades are a huge endorsement of what we are doing in Cumbria, and I am delighted that the exceptional efforts of police officers, police staff, volunteers and partners have received such well-deserved recognition.

"The following grades represent a significant improvement on our previous positive inspection.

"I am particularly pleased that Cumbria has become the first force in the current round of PEEL inspections to be graded as 'outstanding' for Building, Supporting and Protecting the Workforce and 'good' for both Investigating Crime and Responding to the Public.

"Please be assured that we will never be complacent and we have already started to work on the areas where we need to improve. Cumbria is a force that is committed to providing the best possible service to our communities.

"I'd like to acknowledge our previous Chief Constable, Michelle Skeer, for the important part she has played in this success. I'd also like to thank the Office of the Police Fire and Crime Commissioner for their support, and I must also recognise the HMICFRS for the very fair, transparent and professional manner in which they conducted the inspection.

"Most importantly, I'd like to thank the amazing people who make up Cumbria Constabulary and congratulate them on their dedication, professionalism and commitment to keeping Cumbria safe."

To read the full HMICFRS report – [click here](#)

To read the media release issued by Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner, David Allen: [click here](#)

[Watch here a video from Chief Constable Rob Carden](#)



Cumbria Police thanks partners and attendees for a successful Kendal Calling festival

Cumbria Police have thanked its partners after a successful Kendal Calling 2024 festival.

14 arrests were made onsite over the course of the four-day weekend, with the majority of festival goers enjoying the event safely.

Superintendent Matt Pearman said: "I'd like to thank the vast majority of festival goers who enjoyed themselves responsibly over the course of the four days at Lowther Deer Park.

"We worked closely with event organisers and other partner agencies throughout the festival to ensure those who attended the festival were kept safe from harm." **Read more** [here](#).

Operation Merlin – 22 arrested in wanted people crackdown across Cumbria

People wanted on suspicion of drug supply, sexual assault and robbery offences were just some of those targeted during the latest Operation Merlin week of action (15 - 19 July).

Chief Inspector Kim Brown said: "Last week was another successful Operation Merlin Week of Action, with outstanding suspects arrested across the county.

"We will continue to carry out these operations regularly so that the message goes out to all who know they are wanted that they are not above the law and that officers will soon arrive at their door if they do not voluntarily hand themselves in.

"A number of the arrests made this week have resulted from intelligence provided by the public. I would continue to urge the public to come forward and report criminality in their community. As this week has shown, action will be taken." **Read more [here](#).**



Please report any incidents of crime or anti-social behaviour to us, to help us keep Cumbria safe.

If a crime is in progress always call 999.

You can report online at <https://www.cumbria.police.uk/report-it>

Our online Live Chat function is a new service giving you an alternative way to communicate with a Police Officer in real time. [More here.](#)

You can also phone on 101.

Alternatively you can contact Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111.



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