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Millom & South Copeland

Welcome to the August edition of your Neighbourhood Policing Newsletter.

Our team continue to work hard to keep our community safe, connected, and informed. From tackling anti-social behaviour and supporting vulnerable residents, to engaging with local schools and hosting community drop-in sessions, it's been a busy and productive few weeks.

We've also included upcoming events and ways you can get involved or share your concerns.

As always, your feedback and support are vital to the work we do and we want to hear from YOU.

The National Policing Social Media Survey is now live, and it's your chance to shape how we connect with our communities online.

Whether you follow us for updates, advice, or the occasional police dog post your opinion matters.

Take the survey now  [Social media survey | Police.uk](#)



Area priority - anti-social driving

The Millom community have contacted the Police in recent months to complain about anti social driving in the town, the use of off road bikes has been brought to the attention of the local community officers.

On the 3 May, Millom CBOs PC Matthew Garrett and PC Emily Tyson were on routine patrol when they stopped an off road bike on Newton Street, the rider was reported at the roadside for riding without a licence and without insurance.

On 28 August the defendant, Dale Lowery, appeared at the Magistrates court where he was sentenced for these offences. 8 points were added to his licence along with a surcharge of £308, a fine of £770 and costs to be paid to Cumbria Constabulary of £130.

Do you have CCTV cameras at your property?

Don't forget you can register them with the Police here - [Home - Connect Cumbria](#)

✗ Cumbria Police will not have access to your camera footage unless you share a file with us when requested.

📍 We will only be able to see the location of registered cameras.

👁️ We will look at locations only if there's been an incident nearby and footage can help support our investigations

If there is an incident in your area, an officer selects the appropriate area on the map, the system generates a list of registered cameras and sends a message asking you to upload footage if you have it.



CAMERA REGISTRY PROGRAMME

Register your CCTV and/or doorbell camera with Cumbria Constabulary:

connectcumbria.co.uk

You said, we did - speeding A595 between St Michael's church and the Byre

This remains an area priority in August, with speeding and anti-social driving continuing to be a target.

- On 7 August, PCSO Booth carried out speed checks in Bootle on A595, two drivers caught speeding over 40mph.
 - On 6 August, PCSO Booth carried out checks around Hycemoor end of Bootle - nothing of note to report.
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You said, we did - Anti-social driving and use of E-scooters in Millom Town Centre and Haverigg

This remains an area priority in August, with anti-social driving continuing to be a target for local officers.

We are continuing to see off road bike use in the area, with officer making enquiries to identify those riding them in the area.

Officers are also continuing to conduct patrols in the area identified as hotspot locations such as Ironworks Nature Reserve, Salthouse Road, Devonshire Road and Silecroft.

Drug Activity Community Appeal

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

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.

OPERATION ENHANCE: Extra patrols in your area!

Police Officers are still hitting the streets with extra patrols as part of Operation Enhance. The Operation aims to tackle anti-social behaviour and serious violence in hotspot areas across the county.

You've asked to see more bobbies on the beat – so we are delivering. These extra patrols mean residents feel safer in their own community and criminals think twice before breaking the law.



The Copeland Neighbourhood Policing Team and Response Officers are regularly out on the streets, talking to residents and businesses to learn more about the local concerns. The more we know, the more we can do to tackle any issues. If you are aware of any criminality, continue to call the Police on 101 or 999 in an emergency – or stop them in the street when you stop them on their patrols.

The Operation has been made possible thanks to £1 million of extra funding secured by Cumbria's Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner from the Government's Hotspot Response Fund.

As part of the operation, the public is encouraged to report anti-social behaviour by visiting the constabulary's website [Report antisocial behaviour | Cumbria Police](#) or our non-emergency number 101. In an emergency always call 999. Information and intelligence from the public is vital so we can work together to tackle issues in their communities.

Find out more about Operation Enhance: [Op Enhance | Cumbria Police](#)

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

📅 Sat 20 September 2025

🕒 12:00PM - 1:00PM

📌 The Green, Thwaites Village Hall car park

📅 Sun 21 September 2025

🕒 12:00PM - 1:00PM

📌 Byre car park, Bootle

📅 Sat 27 September 2025

🕒 3:00PM - 4:00PM

 Haverigg beach car park (opposite Betty's café)

 Sun 28 September 2025

 3:00PM - 4:00PM

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

Visit Your Area

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.



Have you ever thought about being a police officer?

You could make a real difference to people in Cumbria and help keep them safe.

Not sure if policing is for you?

This short quiz should be able to help 

Take the quiz

Which route is right for you?

☐ Police Constable Degree Apprenticeship

Did you know you can join Cumbria Constabulary as a degree apprentice and work towards a degree whilst serving as a student officer with active frontline duties?



☐ Police Constable Entry Programme (PCEP)

This is a two year programme which gives a blend of practical on-the-job experience and classroom-based learning.

Once you leave training school, you will then go onto to your allocated station then eventually go onto independent patrols and will be assessed for the remainder of the two-year programme.



☐ Professional Policing Degree Graduate (PPD)

To be eligible to apply, you will need to have taken a three-year BSc professional policing programme offered by universities that are licensed and validated to deliver the degree by the College of Policing.

For more information about the entry route and the role visit: [Job profile](#)



○ PCEP DC pathway

Our Detective entry programme (PCEP DC) is open for applications.

The two year programme is designed to equip you with all the skills and training necessary to ensure that on completion you will be a highly competent detective constable.



○ Transferees

Do you or someone you know work for another force?
Looking for a new challenge?

When you join Cumbria Police you will have new opportunities and with this, you will be able to make a positive difference to the lives of those who live here.



We are looking for enthusiastic and dedicated people to apply now to join us.

For more information on police officer entry routes and staff roles, please visit www.cumbria.police.uk/careers.



Cumbria Police ranked top force nationally by public in range of survey results

Cumbria Police has been ranked the top force in England and Wales in most categories of a national survey that deals with people's perceptions of crime and anti-social behaviour.

Officers and staff in the constabulary were rated number one nationally for understanding local concerns – and then dealing with them.

Residents' responses placed the force joint top in terms of agreeing it can be relied on when needed.

As well as this, the force was the outright leader about treating people with respect - and joint top again for people agreeing they would be treated fairly.

Cumbria came first in England and Wales for overall confidence in local policing.

Chief Constable (Temporary) Darren Martland said: "These results are based on direct feedback from our communities, and I am pleased that the hard work of our officers and staff has been recognised by the communities they serve." **Read more [here](#).**

Cumbria Police and Amazon join forces to support domestic abuse survivors

Cumbria Police is proud to join a nationwide initiative, in partnership with Amazon, aimed at providing vital support to survivors of domestic abuse.



As part of this collaboration, Amazon has donated emergency grab bags filled with essential items to help individuals fleeing abusive situations.

These grab bags - available for both adults and children - contain toiletries, a mobile phone, writing materials and comfort items designed to offer immediate relief and dignity to those escaping abuse.

Officers have welcomed the donation, which will enhance their ability to respond compassionately and practically to survivors in crisis. The bags are intended to provide not only physical necessities but also a powerful message of solidarity and support.

Detective Superintendent Matt Scott, from the force's Public Protection Unit, said: "We are grateful to Amazon for their support. This initiative is a lifeline for those who leave everything behind to escape abuse.

"The grab bags offer more than just practical help - they show survivors that they are not alone and that their safety and dignity matter.

"We know that reporting abuse can be incredibly difficult, but we want people to know they are not alone. If you are being subjected to any form of domestic abuse, please report this to police and we can work with trusted safeguarding agencies to support you." **Read more [here](#).**

Operation Spotlight: More than 100 arrested for drink or drug driving offences during month-long Fatal Four operation in Cumbria

More than 100 drink and drug drivers were arrested in Cumbria during July's road safety operation targeting the Fatal Four.

Operation Spotlight is a national road safety operation which focuses on the Fatal Four:

- Speeding
- Using a mobile phone at the wheel
- Not wearing a seatbelt
- Driving under the influence of drink and/or drugs



Here in Cumbria, the operation was led by the Constabulary's dedicated Roads Policing Unit and resulted in 117 arrests:

- Sec 5a (drug driving): 55
- Sec 5 OPL (drink driving): 41
- Fail to provide: 15
- Unfit through drink or drugs: 6

Read more [here](#).

Operation Colossus: Police operation will target anti-social behaviour and promote road safety across Cumbria

Cumbria Police is launching a 15-week operation promoting road safety whilst targeting anti-social behaviour – including the anti-social use of vehicles - in Cumbria.

Operation Colossus will work alongside Operation Enhance – the Constabulary's long-standing crackdown on anti-social behaviour in hotspot areas ([Op Enhance | Cumbria Police](#)) – whilst enhancing road safety around the county.



Focus over the 15 weeks will be on a different Operation Enhance hotspot area each week. The operation will begin on 4 August and will focus on areas of the county including, Workington, Whitehaven, Maryport, Carlisle, Ulverston, Bowness, Barrow, Kendal and Penrith, before concluding in November.

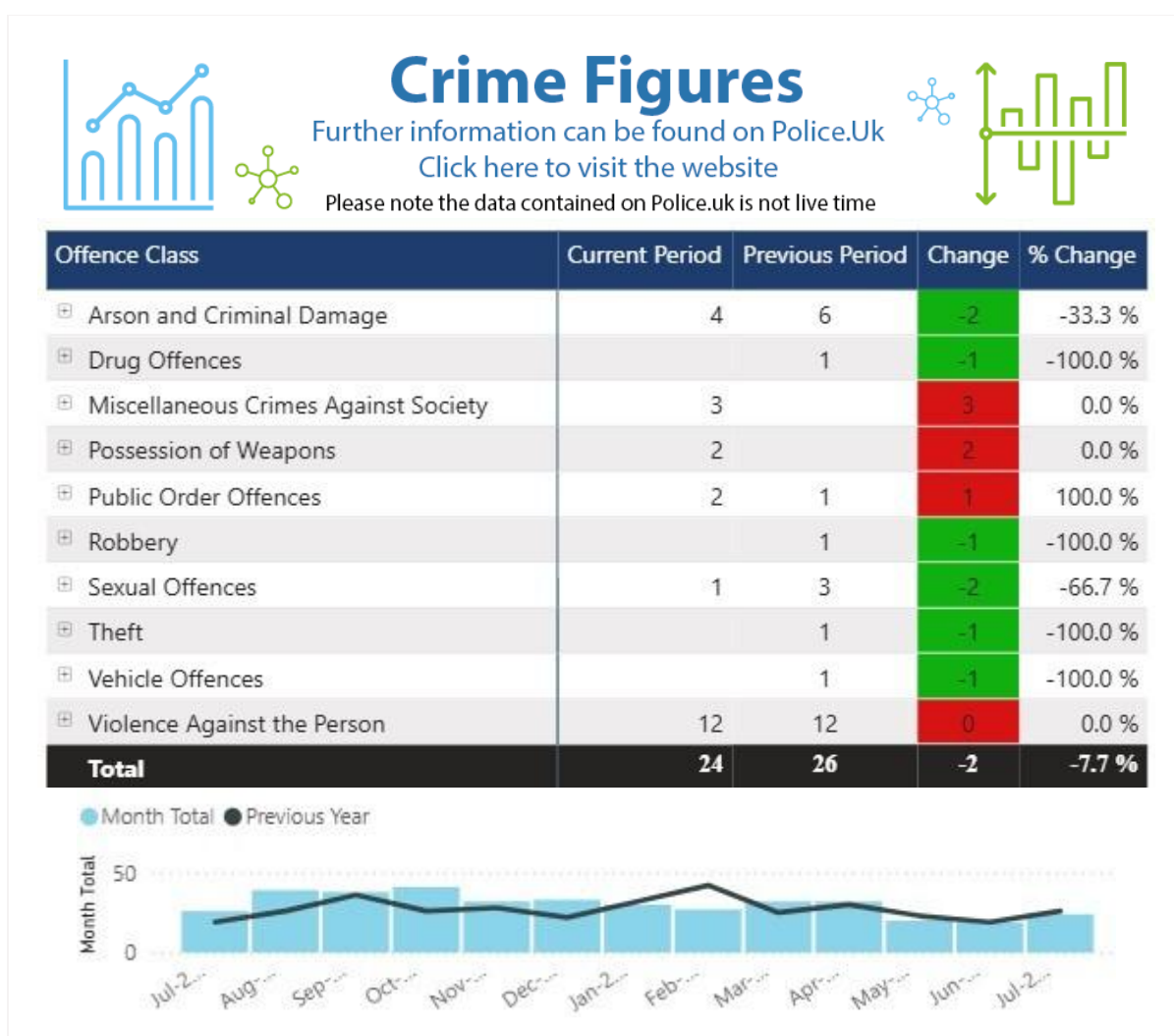
Inspector Alex Johnson of Cumbria Police's Operational Support Unit said: "As a national month-long roads policing operation targeting dangerous driver behaviour comes to a close - ([Operation Spotlight road safety enforcement to target the Fatal Four - Cumbria Constabulary](#)) we launch a 15-week policing operation focusing on road safety and anti-social behaviour.

“This operation, which targets offending that residents in our county have raised as a concern, is further action that we are taking as part of our ongoing commitment to neighbourhood policing and the communities we serve.

“Over the course of the 15 weeks, Operational Support officers, including from the Constabulary’s dedicated Roads Policing Unit and the Firearms Support Unit, will work side-by-side with Neighbourhood Policing Team officers. As the NPT officers target antisocial behaviour and serious violence as part of Operation Enhance, Operational Support officers will support them by targeting anti-social driving – from speeding and dangerous driving to drug and drink driving.”

The work of officers will include road checks in target areas and pursuing people engaged in criminal activity on the county’s road network.

As well as enforcement, the operation will include education and engagement, alongside partner agencies. **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.

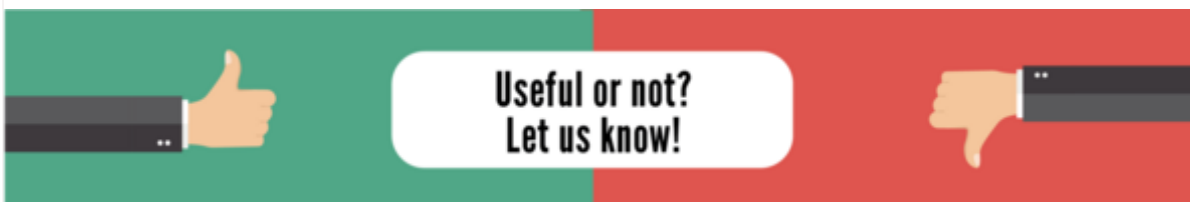
Alternatively you can contact Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111.



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