



Report

Report to:	Roads Safety Forum
Date of Meeting:	20 February 2024
Report by:	Lorna Hinshelwood, Local Authority Liaison Officer Police Scotland

Subject:	Police Scotland - Lanarkshire Division Road Safety Update
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1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- update the Roads Safety Forum on forthcoming campaigns
- discuss ongoing national and local campaigns

2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Forum is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) that the information set out in relation to road safety campaigns be noted; and
- (2) that the verbal update regarding these road safety campaigns be noted.

3. Background

3.1. In terms of the remit of the South Lanarkshire Roads Safety Forum, it has been agreed that Police Scotland will provide routine updates on national and local issues and campaigns relating to keeping people living and working in South Lanarkshire safer on our roads.

4. Local and National issues

4.1. Roads Policing and Community officers continue to support speeding complaints across South Lanarkshire towns and outside schools. Pop up police have been used to deter excessive speeds. Education and enforcement used where necessary. Social Media used to promote initiatives.

National campaigns took place from October to December 2023, this included the following:-

- ◆ National Speed campaign - ran from 16 to 29 October 2023
- ◆ Get Ready for Winter - ran from 23 October to 4 November 2023
- ◆ Drive Insured - ran from 20 to 26 November 2023 with 13 detections
- ◆ Brake Road Safety - ran from 19 to 25 November 2023
- ◆ Festive Drink Drive campaign - ran from 1 December 2023 to 2 January 2024

4.2. Synopsis of stats below

Road Safety South Lanarkshire			
	April 2023 - Dec 2023	April 2022 – Dec 2022	% change
Speeding	303	346	-12.4%
Disqualified driving	48	58	-17.2%
Driving Licence	208	200	+4.0%
Insurance	546	558	-2.2%
Seat Belts	34	29	+17.2%
Mobile Phone	90	61	+47.5%

4.3 Trends identified

Elderly drivers/pedestrians: 3 of the 6 fatal accidents recorded have involved elderly pedestrians. In November/December 2023 we had 4 serious injury road traffic collisions (RTCs) involving elderly drivers.

We will continue are planning an elderly driver awareness event in conjunction with partners to coincide with our Vulnerable Road User campaign in March 2024.

- 4.4. Lanarkshire Division are committed to ensuring the road network is safe along with partners and the Road Safety Governance Board who have oversight of reviewing all road crashes and offending to provide a proportionate response to any concerns, trends or patterns identified.

5. Employee Implications

- 5.1. There are no employee implications.

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1. There are no financial implications.

7. Climate Change, Sustainability and Environmental Implications

- 7.1. There are no significant implications in terms of climate change, sustainability and environmental issues associated with this report.

8. Other Implications

- 8.1. There are no implications for sustainability or risk in terms of the information contained within this report.

9. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

- 9.1. This report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a change to an existing policy, function or strategy, therefore, no impact assessment is required.
- 9.2. There was no requirement to undertake any consultation in terms of the information contained in this report.

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29 January 2024

Previous References

- ◆ Roads Safety Forum – 21 November 2023

List of Background Papers

- ◆ None

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