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# Report

Report to: Roads Safety Forum

Date of Meeting: 7 May 2024

Report by: Lorna Hinshelwood, Partner Liaison Officer

**Police Scotland** 

Subject: Police Scotland - Lanarkshire Division Road Safety Update

## 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 this report in relation to road safety campaigns be noted: and
  - (2) that the verbal update regarding the 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 and parking complaints across South Lanarkshire towns and outside schools. Education and enforcement used where necessary. Social media used to promote initiatives.

We are planning an elderly driver awareness event in conjunction with partners. This was planned for March 2024 but is still in planning stages and will take place at a later date.

Road Safety campaigns from January to March 2024 as follows:-

- ♦ Seatbelt Campaign 16 to 22 January 2024
- ♦ Mobile Phone Campaign 26 February to 10 March 2024
- ♦ Vulnerable Road Users 6 to 12 March 2024
- ♦ Speeding Campaign 20 to 26 March 2024
- ♦ Motorcycle Campaign started on 29 March and runs until 27 September 2024

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## 4.2. Synopsis of stats

There is a current data embargo on Road Safety South Lanarkshire statistics which is up to, and inclusive of, 7 June 2024. An update will be provided to the Forum after this date.

#### 4.3. Notable arrests/recoveries:-

- ♦ 2 January 2024 Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (POCA) seizure of £1,125 cash, Dryburgh Avenue, Rutherglen
- ♦ 21 January 2024 drugs recovery of £9,000 cannabis resin and £28,000 amphetamine, Hamilton
- ♦ 21 January 2024 drugs recovery of £40,000 Heroin, M74 Junction 14
- ♦ 30 March 2024 POCA seizure of £29,695 cash, B7076 Lanark Road
- 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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#### **Previous References**

♦ Roads Safety Forum – 20 February 2024

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## **List of Background Papers**

♦ None.

## **Contact for Further Information**

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