

Road safety and road crime

Keeping **people safe on our roads** and tackling **road crime** is a national priority for Police Scotland and we are committed to promoting road safety, improving driver behaviour and enforcing road traffic legislation in support of the Scottish Government Road Safety Framework to 2020. A reduction in road casualties and accidents is set against a rise in vehicle numbers and levels of traffic.¹ This increasing volume of road and transport network users, particularly these identified high risk groups, presents a variety of possible challenges for policing and road / transport safety.

<p>Your View Counts</p> <p>Respondents to our public consultation survey identified road safety (including speeding, dangerous and antisocial driving) as the second highest local priority.</p> <p>www.scotland.police.uk/yourviewcounts</p>	<p>Impact</p> <p>Serious collisions on our roads have a significant impact on Scotland's people and communities, both in terms of fatalities and personal injury, as well as the disruption caused by road closures. In addition, much criminal activity involves use of the road network and the illegal use of vehicles.</p>
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In 2018/19 we will:

Commitment	Prevention and Protection	Communities	Knowledge and Innovation
Modify driver behaviour and reduce injury on Scotland's roads through engagement and proportionate enforcement of legislation.	<p>We remain committed to reducing road casualties in collaboration with our partners and meeting the Scottish Government's 2020 road casualty reduction targets.</p> <p>The mid-term review of the Scottish Government Road Safety Framework to 2020 identified the following priority areas for focused activity up to 2020; speed, motorcyclists, pre-drivers, young</p>	During the coming year, we will develop and deliver on the Road Policing Divisional Tactical Plans . These are developed in conjunction with and approved by the Local Policing Commander in line with their locally identified priorities.	<p>We have identified portfolio leads for all priority focus areas, leading to the development of new road safety schemes and sharing of good practice.</p> <p>We will continue to use the independently produced Road Safety Information Tracking Study on driver attitudes and behaviour to provide an independent measure of the impact of our</p>

¹ Scottish Government (2017) 'Reported Road Casualties Scotland 2016'

	and older drivers and cyclists and pedestrians.		delivery and inform ongoing activity. http://www.roadsafetyscotland.com/research/road-safety-information-tracking-study-rits/
Detect and deter all types of criminality on our roads through efficient use of intelligence and analytical products.	We will continue to detect and deter all types of criminality on our roads, working with partner agencies to remove drugs and counterfeit goods, together with the disruption of organised crime groups from the road network.	We understand that antisocial use of vehicles is a problem that impacts on community wellbeing. Where communities highlight concerns regarding driver behaviour such as speeding, careless driving and mobile phone misuse, we will take the appropriate action to tackle these problems.	We will implement new Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) technology to enhance our capabilities to tackle road crime and improve intelligence, analysis and detection.
Develop and deliver a national road safety and road crime calendar of activity , which will be aligned to 'priority focus areas', as identified during the mid-term review of the Scottish Government's Road Safety Framework to 2020.	We will lead the Multi-Agency Tactical Options Working Group, to oversee development of the national road safety and road crime calendar of activity. This provides intelligence-led direction in support of prevention-focused campaigns and initiatives .	In partnership, we will support road safety campaigns, engaging with and involving the public in raising awareness and providing road safety advice.	We will develop and deliver a communication toolkit to support engagement with the public and media. This will provide consistent road safety information including a 'frequently asked questions' section. In support of this we will maintain and revise key messaging, hosted on our website.