



# Absafe Community Safety Bulletin

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### Pokemon Go

With new crazes and technology being brought to us this summer, we need to remember to think about safety too. Whilst it may be exciting to catch your favourite character or collect more than your friends, safety must still come first.

Standards of common sense and safety can easily slip in the haste of catching Pikachu and this has not gone unnoticed.

Peter Wanless CEO of the NSPCC wrote an open letter to Nintendo stating there has been “numerous accounts of children being placed in dangerous situations because of the geo-location feature... armed robbers lured teenagers to a particular spot.”

Playing in a group is safer than “PoGo”ing it alone. It has been proven that these apps can be great fun team-building exercises and increase social experiences. One novelty of the game is coming across other families and groups playing the game too. Whilst making new friends is great, strangers still possess the

same dangers whether they are Pokemon seeking or not.

Remember to keep an eye on your children when they’re playing. The game can lead you far and wide, which is great for your fitness, but it’s important that players do not stray too far or get lost. Set ground rules with younger players regarding boundaries.

Technology can be a big distraction, for adults as well as children.

Don’t use your phone whilst driving and when you’re chasing down



a Pokemon, stay aware of your surroundings and cross roads with care.

If you are unsure of the area you are entering, assess if it is worth taking the risk. Are you supposed to have access to this area? Is it safe to enter? Who or what else may be causing a danger within? Think....would I normally put myself in this situation?

Technology is a great thing, and lots of fun can come from playing this social and interactive game....but please do not let it run away with your common sense.

**Fraud now the most common type of crime**

The Office for National Statistics has this week published figures highlighting fraud as the most common type of crime. Following on from our article last week we'd like to further highlight that if you know anyone without internet access that could benefit from scam awareness advice, help and information on how to make a report, you can send a loose second class stamp to Think Jessica, PO Box 44 42, Chesterfield, S44 9AS to receive a free 12 Page 'Watch out for Scams' booklet. They can be requested for yourself but people also often request them to be sent to an older relative, friend or neighbours address.

**This week at Absafe**

We've been hard at work this summer preparing for a new year of school visits starting soon. We've also got some big events

being lined up at Absafe; from movie nights to 90s parties and more coming soon. Contact [Victoria@absafe.org.uk](mailto:Victoria@absafe.org.uk) to book your tickets.

Magic Mike Cinema night 5<sup>th</sup> August 2016



90's Party at Pittodrie 4<sup>th</sup> November 2016



**Noteworthy Incidents:**

Police Scotland has provided the following list of incidents which have occurred in your area this week as a snapshot of the current crime trends. All incidents are not recorded below, either for legal reasons or where there are issues of sensitivity. The statistics below should not be seen as an accurate reflection of all crime in your area but as a way of raising your awareness to crime in general. This in turn should allow you to take the appropriate safety/security steps to prevent yourself from being a victim of crime.

<b>NORTH</b>				
<b>TIME PERIOD</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>CRIME TYPE</b>	<b>INFORMATION</b>	
<b>BUCKSBURN</b>				
11/07/16	12/07/16	Wellside Circle, Kingswells	Theft	Sneaked into unsecure dwelling, stole car keys from within then stole car outside dwelling
<b>BRIDGE OF DON</b>				
08/07/16	08/07/16	Cameron Way	Attempted HBWI	Attempted to force entry to garage with intent to steal
<b>NORTHFIELD</b>				
11/07/16	11/07/16	Howes Drive	Theft by HB	Entered house by unsecure window, stole property including car keys then stole cars from outside
09/07/16	09/07/16	Provost Rust Drive	Attempted Theft	Attempted to steal motorbike from location
<b>MASTRICK</b>				
10/07/16	10/07/16	Mastrick Drive	Theft by HB	Force entry to house and stole from within
<b>TILLYDRONE</b>				
06/07/16	09/07/16	Don Terrace, Woodside	HBWI	Forced entry to garage with intent to steal
<b>KITTYBREWSTER</b>				
<b>SEATON</b>				
10/07/16	10/07/16	Urquhart Road	HBWI	Forced entry to dwelling with intent to steal
<b>SOUTH</b>				
<b>CITY CENTRE</b>				
<b>NIGG</b>				
10/07/16	10/07/16	Gaitside Road	On premises with intent to steal	Entered driveway of location with intent to steal
10/07/16	10/07/16	Blackness Road, Altens	HBWI	Forced entry to premises with intent to steal

13/07/16	13/07/16	Wellington Road	Theft	Stole fire extinguisher from location
<b>TORRY</b>				
11/07/16	12/07/16	Glenbervie Road	Theft by OLP	Forced entry to vehicle and stole from within
<b>HAZLEHEAD</b>				
10/07/16	10/07/16	School Road, Peterculter	HBWI	Forced entry to premises with intent to steal
<b>ROSEMOUNT</b>				
<b>WEST END</b>				
11/07/16	11/07/16	Deemount Road	Att HBWI	Attempted to gain entry to garage with intent to steal
10/07/16	11/07/16	Bright Street	Theft from a motor vehicle	Entered unsecure car and stole from within

Key: HB - House Breaking

OLP - Open Lockfast Place

HBWI - House Breaking with Intent

OLPWI - Open Lockfast Place with Intent

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