

Can you help police find Arnold Mouat? Now missing for one week

Arnold Mouat, a 64 year-old man from Bo'ness in West Lothian, has now been missing for a week and Police Scotland are still keen to have any information which will help them trace him.



He was last seen around 11.30pm on Thursday, July 6, at an address in Panbrae Road, Bo'ness.

He then left the property at some point during the night and has not been seen since, and was reported missing to police on the morning of Friday, 7 July 2017.

Police officers will be in the Bo'ness area this morning as part of a co-ordinated effort to speak to anyone who may have been in the town last Friday.

Mr Mouat's family has issued a statement through Police Scotland. It states : "We're overwhelmed by the support shown by the local and wider community and are extremely grateful to everyone who has offered to help find Arnold.

"This includes the volunteers who assisted the police with searches yesterday morning and afternoon.

"This has been a very difficult time for all of us and we want to find him as quickly as possible.

"We ask anyone who has information that might assist police with their ongoing search effort to please make contact immediately.

"Likewise, Arnold, if you're reading this then please let us

know that you're okay."

The missing man is described as white man with a slim build, blue coloured eyes and dark receding hair. He is around 6ft 3" tall and has a North Scotland (Shetland) accent.

He is believed to be wearing blue trainers but the rest of his clothing is unknown. He previously lived in the Aberdeen and Shetland areas.

Since Arnold's disappearance was reported to police, officers have taken a number of steps to trace him.

Local and specialist resources have been deployed across the Forth Valley, West Lothian and South Queensferry areas. Police dogs have conducted searches along with the Police Scotland helicopter and Police Scotland Marine Unit.

An appeal has been conducted through the media and on social media together with a poster campaign. Over half a million people have been reached since last Friday via Police Scotland's social media channels.

A public search of the Bo'ness area was also conducted on Thursday, July 13, which was attended by 59 volunteers.

Inspector Jim Young of Falkirk Police Station said: "We are continuing our search to find Arnold today and are again appealing to the public for their assistance.

"I'd like to pay tribute to Arnold's family who have shown incredible strength during what is undoubtedly a very difficult time. I would also like to thank the public for their assistance throughout this investigation, their support has been crucial.

"Unfortunately we are still looking for that key piece of information that will lead to us finding Arnold and give us the answers his family are desperately seeking.

“I would again ask anyone who remembers seeing Arnold on the morning of Friday 7 July 2017 or recognises his description to come forward. That piece of information may be vital and lead to us tracing Arnold.”

[tweet_box design="default"]Anyone with information about Arnold Mouat who has been missing since 7 July can contact officers at Falkirk Police Station on 101, quoting incident number 1022 of 7 July 2017.[/tweet_box]