Operation Winter City launched by Edinburgh Police

The local police have launched their annual Christnas campaign today.

Operation Winter City has been running for several years. It aims to provide everyone living in or visiting Edinburgh during Christmas and New Year, with a range of useful information.



15th November 2019 — Inspector David Brady at the mobile office in Castle Street as Police Scotland launches their annual Christmas Policing Campaign.

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The police hope that this will help to prevent you from falling victim to crime.

Edinburgh's city centre will get busier over the coming weeks,

with some visiting the Christmas Market, shops and pubs and hotels while celebrating the festive season.

Police will increase the number of beat police in those areas throughout December and early January. The police will be on foot and will be able to engage with the public, deter crime and respond to any incidents more quickly as a result.

A Mobile Command Vehicle will be located at the junction of Rose Street and Hanover Street from 17 November and 4 January.

Members of the public in the city centre are welcome to go there to report a crime, or to obtain advice and guidance on personal safety, home security and crime prevention.



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Edinburgh Division's Countdown to Christmas social media

calendar is back!

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You can receive daily safety messages during the run-up to Christmas or watch videos on the Edinburgh Division Facebook page, or by following @EdinburghPolice on Twitter.



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Inspector David Brady from the City Centre Policing Team said: "Edinburgh is undoubtedly one of the best cities in the world to celebrate Christmas and New Year in and Operation Winter City helps us keep the Capital a wonderful place to stay in, as well as to visit during the festive period.

"From today, we will have increased high-visibility patrols

throughout the city and these officers will be on hand to provide the public with any assistance they require, while also looking out for any matters that require police attention.

"Our dedicated resources will be doing everything they can to keep the public safe, but our communities have a vital role to play in helping with this.

"Taking simple steps such as looking after your personal belongings when you're in town, planning your transportation for nights out in advance, drinking responsibly and ensuring your home and any outbuildings are appropriately secured, will help prevent you from falling victim to crime, or coming into contact with the emergency services for any reason.

"The information we will be providing, both face to face, and on our social media platforms is not only easy to understand, but very useful, so feel free to visit our Mobile Command Units and stay tuned to our Facebook and Twitter pages for the Countdown to Christmas calendar.

"On behalf of everyone at Edinburgh Division, have a wonderful and safe Christmas and New Year."



15th November 2019 — Officers on the streets in Edinburgh as Police Scotland launches their annual Christmas Policing Campaign.

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