

Edinburgh to receive 15 new police recruits

More than 100 new officers will be joining local policing divisions across the country, having marked the end of their training at an event in front of family, friends and loved one.

Today, Friday, 16 August 2024, 115 recruits undertook their passing out parade at Police Scotland HQ, Tulliallan, having completed their 13-week probationer course.

Edinburgh will receive 15 new officers and Lothians and Borders division will get an additional seven.

Chief Constable Farrell thanked all of the officers for choosing a career dedicated to public service and protecting communities from harm.

She said: "Policing is not simply what we do, it's who we are. Despite the demands it places upon us at times, it is extremely rewarding and I'm confident that all of our new recruits will continue to answer that call, while at the same time reflecting Police Scotland's values of integrity, fairness, respect, and a commitment to uphold human rights.

"Each of our new recruits will now deploy into Scotland's communities, where they will support the efforts of their colleagues in keeping the public safe and bringing offenders to justice."

The officers passing out today range in age from 18 to 56 years old and the course is comprised of 78 male officers (68 per cent) and 37 female officers (32 per cent).