## **Streetwork Team Report**

The Central Streetwork Project is part of the city wide Streetwork initiative. Future reports will cover the north and south areas of the city.

The Central Streetwork Project Youth Workers engage with young people in public places to offer information, advice and support on a range of issues including alcohol, employment, drugs, sexual health and education. They focus on building up positive relationships with young people(mainly within the 13 to 19 age group. When appropriate they challenge anti-social behaviour and work alongside SACRO to enable mediation between young people and other groups/residents to take place to resolve any issues.

The Streetwork team were out for 51 evenings this quarter and had contact with 1955 young people. 1315 of these contacts were the young people we met at the ice rink on Friday evenings. The figures for the same period last year was 392.

The Streetwork team have continued to concentrate on the hotspot areas which are: City Centre, Rosemount, Woodside, Tillydrone and Seaton. The Streetwork team have built up relationships with the young people in these areas. The young people are approaching the Streetwork team, asking them for advice on several topics e.g. alcohol, relationships, sexual health and drugs, employment and education. The Streetwork team have been taking out equipment on these issues from Dialogue Youth which has been very popular with the young people and sparking good conversations. Projects which have had positive impact this quarter include: **Street Pastors**, Northsound Under 16's Disco, Employment Support, Linx ice Arena and Young Scot at Union Square 26<sup>th</sup> February.

The table below shows the number of contacts. Discussions held with children and young people by topic

|                   | total | January | February | March |
|-------------------|-------|---------|----------|-------|
| Alcohol           | 30    | 8       | 11       | 11    |
| Crime             | 30    | 8       | 10       | 12    |
| Drugs             | 29    | 8       | 9        | 12    |
| Education         | 48    | 12      | 15       | 21    |
| <b>Employment</b> | 34    | 13      | 11       | 10    |
| Health            | 37    | 12      | 10       | 15    |
| Leisure           | 48    | 14      | 15       | 19    |
| Other             | 0     |         |          |       |
| Personal          | 39    | 11      | 13       | 15    |
| Safety            |       |         |          |       |
| Police            | 37    | 8       | 13       | 16    |
| Relationships     | 43    | 11      | 14       | 18    |
| Youth Work        | 59    | 16      | 18       | 25    |