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Three people were arrested and 271 vehicles stopped during a proactive anti-drink-driving operation last weekend.

Vehicles were randomly stop checked across the entire island during the 48-hour operation, carried out by police officers with the support of special constables.

Twenty five drivers were breathalysed and some were issued with Vehicle Defect Rectification Scheme forms for faults that were discovered on their vehicles.

Roads Policing Inspector Tom Marshall said:

"Sadly and disappointingly we continue to see people who think that drink-driving is acceptable. It is not. It is dangerous, stupid, selfish and can result in injury or death. Quite simply, if you make the decision to drink-drive, the consequences can be life changing or life-ending not only for you, but everyone you drive past.

"Get a taxi. Catch the bus. Designate a driver. Walk. Just don't drink and drive. Ever.

"We will continue to carry out these high visibility, proactive operations at the time and place of our choosing. Day, night, weekdays and weekends. Be under no illusion that stopping drink drivers is one of our highest priorities. Do not think we will only check main roads, don't believe that you can "only have one" and still be safe to drive and don't endanger members of our community by getting behind the wheel of a car when you've been drinking."

If you suspect someone is drink driving, call 999 immediately – you may save a life!