

COMMUNITY SAFETY PRECINCT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES PORT STEPHENS LAC

DATE: 18th May 2010 – 10.00am to 12.00pm

LOCATION: Port Stephens Council

Minute Taker: Linda Strachan

Members/Attendees	Organisation	Position	Contact	Attend
Superintendent Charles HAGGETT	Port Stephens LAC	Commander		Yes
Chief Inspector Peter FOX	Port Stephens LAC	Crime Manager		No
Sergeant Chris EGAN	Port Stephens LAC	Crime Co-ordinator		Yes
Superintendent Wayne HUMPHREY	Port Stephens LAC	Duty Officer - NB		Yes
Graham BOOTH	Port Stephens LAC	Crime Analyst		Yes
Cr Bruce MACKENZIE	Port Stephens Council	Mayor	4982 6940	No
Cr Sally DOVER	Port Stephens Council	Councillor	4984 7863	Yes
Helen SMYTH	Port Stephens Council	Community Planner – Crime Prevention	4980 0190	Yes
Marian SAMPSON	Nelson Bay Town Management	Town Coordinator	town@nelsonbaybusiness.com	No
Diane WILSON	Volunteers in Policing		worley1@exemail.com.au	Yes
Matt BREEN	Raymond Terrace Youth Centre	Coordinator	0421 391 347	No
Keith BRABHAM	Tomaree Ratepayers & Residents Association	Nelson Bay	Krbrabham1@gotalk.net.au	Yes
Peter DAVIS	Tomaree Ratepayers & Residents Association	Anna Bay	4982 1561	Yes
David SERIES	Tomaree Ratepayers & Residents Association	Salamander Bay	series@yahoo.com	Yes
Colleen MULLHOLLAND	Marketplace Centre Management	Raymond Terrace		No
Paul WILLIAMSON	Marketplace Centre Management	Raymond Terrace	operations@rmarketplace.com.au	Yes
Sue POLLOCK	Port Stephens Family Support Service	Manager	4987 4674	No
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James CAMPBELL Shane KENNEDY	Port Stephens Youth Services Port Stephens Youth Services	Team Leader Youth Worker	James.campbell@portstephens.nsw.gov.au Shane.kennedy@portstephens.nsw.gov.au	Yes Yes
Matthew SUTHERLAND	Raymond Terrace Business Association	Town Coordinator	matthew@raymondterracebusiness.com.au	Yes
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Tracey LOWREY	Rural Anti Violence Network Dungog Youth Interagency (RAVNET)			Yes
Kate MURPHY	Dungog District Chamber of Commerce	Vice President	kate@drovers.com.au	Yes
Michael MURPHY	Raymond Terrace Business Association	Vice President	mick@subhq.com.au	No
Fran CORNER	Tilligerry Community Association	Member	francorner@bigpond.com	No
Doreen BRADLEY	Office of Hon Bob Baldwin MP – Federal Member for Paterson	Community Representative		Yes
Mary O'BRIEN	Raymond Terrace Business Association	Secretary	mary@portstephens.net	No
Glenn WALL	Dungog Shire Council	Mayor	gdwall@bigpond.net.au	No
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Colleen WREN	Housing NSW		Colleen.wren@housing.nsw.gov.au	No
Peter NIES	NSW Fire Brigade - Maitland	Inspector	Peter.nies@fire.nsw.gov.au	No
David HADFIELD	Anna Bay Residents	Member	haddyfrog@bigpond.com	No
Yvette HADFIELD	Anna Bay Residents	Member	haddyfrog@bigpond.com	No

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Apologies:

Cr Bruce MacKenzie Cr Glenn Wall Mary O'Brien	Marian Sampson Peter Fox	Judy Washington Colleen Mulholland
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Agenda Items	Decisions Taken / LAC Response
<p>Welcome and opening by Charles HAGGETT Commander Port Stephens LAC</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting started at 10:06am – CH acknowledged the Worimi people as the original landowners • CH moved that the minutes from the last meeting be accepted: Moved: Doreen Bradley; Seconded: Diane Wilson
<p>Review minutes and actions from previous meeting</p>	<p><i>Report on actions from last meeting:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Welcome to Superintendent Wayne Humphrey Duty Officer for Nelson Bay on loan from Newcastle until 26th June 2010. 2. Tilligerry, Vera Ave no new issues at this time. 3. Park bench at front of Raymond Terrace Marketplace has been moved and at this time the feedback has been excellent, people no longer loitering at the front of the Marketplace - customers now at ease. 4. CE has heard that RTA is proposing to construct a set of lights at the intersection in Heatherbrae at Hank Street (near MacDonalds) where dangerous U-turns are happening. Issue had been raised by owner of Heatherbrae Subway Michael Murphy. 5. CH advised of Community Awareness Program being held 3-4 times each year. Nominations are open to anyone via Police website. Knowledge of the Police community awareness and of the police involvement in the local community. 6. James Campbell provided an update on Snak & Rap and advised that it is holding the next meetings on 20th May 2010 at Tilligerry, 28th May 2010 at Anna Bay, both to run from 3.30pm-6.30pm.
<p>Overview of new Police Station</p>	<p>CH advised that the work on the Raymond Terrace Police Station was going ahead as scheduled and should be completed by February 2011. All would move into the new site 6-8 weeks prior to rectify any building issues.</p> <p>Nelson Bay Station has funding to renovate the holding area and police accommodation area. This will add 3 new holding docks and accommodate new locker room and showers for staff. Work proposed to commence during second half of 2010.</p> <p>Clarence Town now has a Police Officer attached to the town. Foundation and heritage restrictions of building restrict renovations of current residence. Officer will operate from own home and has been supplied with vehicle for time being.</p> <p>The area now has three new probationary officers - two have been placed at Raymond Terrace and the other has gone to Nelson Bay. Bid has been placed for 4 new recruits to join the area from the next class currently at Goulburn. At this stage the Police are running at full strength in the local area.</p> <p>Youth Liaison Officer in the LAC is currently part time but it is on the agenda to increase the role to full time by adding another officer to assist.</p>

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	<p>A full review of vehicles and resources for the area is being undertaken. The command currently consists of 2/24hr stations with six out stations. With our tourist population, the airport and other demographics there should be a strong argument for additional resources.</p>
<p>2a) Overview of crime in the Port Stephens LAC by Crime Analyst Graham BOOTH</p>	<p>Local crime statistics were discussed and major changes noted.</p>
<p>Member</p>	<p>Issues Raised/Response</p>
<p>Tracey Lowrey</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graffiti criminal caught - impacting on town's graffiti. Transit police making huge difference in Dungog. Activity to be maintained. Motor bike events over last two weeks ran extremely well with the boost to the police presence.
<p>Kate Murphy</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concerns over the <i>Facebook</i> killer – kids posting their address or friends mentioning addresses, pictures showing them in their school uniform that allows you to locate them also. Any systems in place for stopping this or information/training in make them aware of the dangers involved? Can we run a Cyber safety program for the schools? Rob Walsh focuses on bullying, can we include cyber bullying? Education and awareness required.
<p>Doreen Bradley</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two <i>Safety for Seniors</i> have been held with Peter Fox and ran excellently, very much appreciated. Dana Kensall gave speech explaining in great depth and her attitude was great. • The problem at Medowie has been fixed. Facebook was involved in the problem with uninvited guests at parties. Always register the party with the local Police and a car will be sent at intervals. • Computer course to be run by PSC. Mary running. Doreen will call and talk about dates.
<p>Dianne Wilson</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only three crashes in the past two weeks at Lemon Tree Passage. Happy with police presence that they are getting. • Bikes coming up past coast guard and heading down to quarry during the day and at night also still riding at skate park. • Vera St is 50 zone yet cars are still speeding and bottoming out once they get to the end.
<p>James Campbell</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting in regards to peak in youth on the street, Raymond Terrace has the potential to help its youth. The local PCYC works very positively with group being set up in Raymond Terrace to help find what is available.
<p>Shane Kennedy</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Snak & Rap</i> next meeting could we have more of a police presence as there has been very little to date? PCYC van would be very much appreciated. ACTION: Chris Egan will organise Police presence • Clarence Town and Maitland kids are hearing about <i>Snak & Rap</i> and showing lots of interest. Program is running short on funds but will continue thanks to creating social community.

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Peter Davis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fires down to almost nothing • Nelson Bay to get permanent fire fighters soon. • All going well, drop in crime at Anna Bay.
Paul Williamson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep Australia Beautiful action day went well, group is moving forward. Kids coming along to help plant. Needs to contact Juvenile Justice to see if they are interested. • Anna Bay residents concerned about local setting up youth craft centre at his house. Only available to ages up to 18. Needs to be checked. ACTION: Wayne to call into see resident today to discuss plans and check that all policies have been met. Resident is involved with the local church. • Raymond Terrace Marketplace new lift to be completed within the next ten weeks. • Thanks for moving benches - they have received very positive feedback.
Matthew Sutherland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local businesses have asked for more police presence in William Street, Mondays and Wednesdays being the worst. Request for statistics to be forwarded in regards to CCTV being placed in the street. • YMCA look at finding resources may be able to help youth program for Raymond Terrace.
Keith Brabham	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graffiti close to getting on top of. Not wanting any media coverage as this creates a challenge and results in more graffiti. • Wanting Wallawa Road looked into - extremely dangerous conditions for both drivers and pedestrians. ACTION: Put concerns in email to Helen who will refer them to traffic committee, sounds like engineering problem.

MEETING CLOSED	11.55pm
NEXT MEETING DATE	Tuesday 24th August 2010 at 10.00am in Council's Committee Rooms