



**PENRITH LOCAL AREA COMMAND
MINUTES OF THE PENRITH/ST MARYS COMMUNITY SAFETY
PRECINCT COMMITTEE**

**St Marys Police Station
King St, St Marys
7 June 2010**

Meeting Opened: 10:00am, by Chair, Supt Ray Filewood

Attendees: Superintendent Ben Feszczuk APM, Commander, Penrith LAC
Superintendent Ray Filewood, Commander, St Marys LAC
Mrs Deanne Bell-Smith, Executive Officer, Penrith LAC
Detective Insp Grant Healey, Crime Manager, Penrith LAC
Insp Anthony Holton, Crime Manager, St Marys LAC
Sgt Simon Curry, Intelligence, St Marys LAC
Mr Mark Gold, Security, Westfield's
Mr Antony Keenan, Westfield's
Mr Glenn Cooper, Operations manager, UWS
Ms Diane Beamer, Member for Mulgoa
Ms Jill Woods, Chief Executive Officer, Penrith Chamber of
Commerce
Ms Gladys Reed, Penrith City Centre Association
Mr Max Harrison, Kingswood Traders Association
Mr John McLean, General Manager, Panthers

Apologies: Mr Allan Shearan MP, Member for Londonderry

**Adoption of previous
Minutes:**

Minutes accepted by Supt Z (Ben) Feszczuk APM and seconded by
Ms Gladys Reed

**Business arising from
Previous CSPC minutes:**

- ✚ **Grassed surrounds of Joan Sutherland Centre**
Supt Feszczuk advised that there was currently sufficient data to suggest the area is a problem with alcohol. The council are looking to make this area an Alcohol Free Zone. Antony Keenan advised

members that he was in receipt of correspondence from council advising that the area in fact been approved to be an alcohol free zone.

Supt Feszczuk advised of overtures for legislative changes regarding alcohol powers i.e. Council Rangers would have powers to conduct “move ons”. This has been determined to be an OH&S issue by the relevant Union and Council have reported that Rangers will not assist in this area. Supt Feszczuk is awaiting written confirmation from the Councils General Manager of this decision.

Supt Feszczuk welcomed Mr John McLean, General Manager, Panthers as new members of the CSPC.

CPP:


Insp Grant Healey advised that program was still progressing with same crime categories remaining the focus. These being: Steal from motor vehicle, alcohol related crime and malicious damage. There are no new initiatives to be undertaken. The categories receiving attention are designed to target “open space” areas such as public spaces including car parks and in and around school areas.

Members advised of major contributors to CPP and lack of support from other departments, Ms Jill Woods questioned if the Chamber of Commerce could be of assistance. Insp Healey advised that Premiers Dept has been notified of major contributors to CPP and lack of assistance from smaller departments who do not believe they can contribute to crime statistics. Response to correspondence is to be forthcoming

Correspondence In: Nil

Correspondence Out: minutes of previous minutes and Agenda

Crime Review:

 **Penrith LAC – Presented by Supt Ben Feszczuk**
Compass crime data for the period March 1st 2010 to May 31st 2010 was reviewed.

Overall Results

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Top Ten Crime Categories

A chart showing the top ten crime categories was tabled, with Stealing, Malicious Damage, and Assault being the three most frequently occurring crimes in the three months ending May 2010.

Crime by Suburb

A chart showing crime by suburb was tabled, with Penrith , Cranebrook and Glenmore Park being the suburbs which together account for 66% of the crime occurring in Penrith LAC.

Trends

Assault

Assault (Non-DV) is trending slightly above last year's actual level and is currently 3.7% above BP target. 20% of all Assault incidents are alcohol related. Alcohol Related Assault is trending above last years actual level and is currently 6% above BP target. While DV Related Assault is now trending above last years' actual level it is currently 12.3% below BP target. Sexual Assault is trending above last year's actual levels and is currently 51.8% above BP target.

Break and Enter

Break and Enter (Non-dwelling) is trending below last years' actual level and is currently 10.5% below BP target. Break and Enter (Dwelling) is trending slightly above last year's actual level and is currently 2.3% above BP target. A chart showing residential Break and Enter by suburb was tabled, with Penrith, Cranebrook, Glenmore Park, and South Penrith being the suburbs which together account for 68% of offences occurring in Penrith LAC.

Robbery

Robbery is trending above last years' actual level and is currently 14.7% below BP target.

Stolen Vehicles

Stolen Vehicles is trending above last years' actual level and is currently 9.9% above BP target.

Fraud

Fraud is trending above last years' actual level and is currently 3.3% above BP target.

Malicious Damage

Malicious Damage is trending below last years' actual level and is currently 6.2% below BP target.

Stealing (ex SFMV)

Steal from retail store (ex SFMV) is trending above last years' actual level and is currently 7.7% above BP target. 33% of Stealing is Steal From Retail Store.

Steal From Motor Vehicle (SFMV)

Steal From Motor Vehicle is trending above last years' actual level and is currently 2.9% below BP target.

Traffic Incidents

Traffic Incidents are trending above last years' actual level and are currently 1.6% above BP target.

Injury/Fatal Crashes

Injury/Fatal Crashes are trending below last years' actual level and are currently 6.4% below BP target.

Proactive Policing

Charts for Proactive Policing were tabled showing tasking and deployment of police by crime category and by location.

St Marys LAC – Presented by Supt Ray Filewood

The following crime categories are over the business plan target for the year to date:

Sexual Assault, Robbery, Break and Enter Dwelling, Stolen Vehicles and Powers Move On.

The following crime categories are under the business plan target for the year to date:

Drug Detection

Possession, Powers Person Search, Traffic Incidents and Injury and Fatal Crashes.

By Suburb, the most amount of crime occurred in St Marys (24%), Kingswood (16%), Werrington (10%), St Clair (9%), Colyton (7%).

Assault

41% was domestic violence related. 12% was alcohol related.

Assault Non DV is 21 over BP target for year.

Assault Alcohol Related is 46 under BP target for year.

Hotspots for Alcohol Related Assault are St Marys, Kingswood and Werrington near Licensed Premises.

Assault DV Related: 45 over BP target for year to date.

Robbery

14 over BP target year to date. 40% are armed robbery, 33% robbery no weapon and 25% robbery with aggravation (more than one offender). Hotspots are around the rail corridor. 51% occurred in outdoor/public place, 18% on business premises and 7% on licensed premises.

Sexual Assault

24 above BP target year to date. Most are JIRT related jobs relating to child abuse and some historical assaults.

Break and Enter Dwelling

60 over the BP target year to date. Bad months recorded in February, March and May. Werrington, Kingswood and St Marys had the most offences. There was an increase in aggravated BES offences which occurred at night and vehicles were stolen.

Stolen Vehicles

7 over the BP target year to date. Most were stolen from residential premises, about 20% during break and enter offences.

BES Non Dwelling

69 under the BP target year to date. Kingswood had the most offences. Business premises and education premises accounted for the most.

Drug Detection Supply

2 under the BP target year to date.

Fraud

9 over the BP year to date. 80% of the offences are Fail to Pay from service stations.

Malicious Damage

174 under the BP target year to date. Graffiti is now at 10%.

Steal from Motor Vehicle

18 under the BP target year to date. Kingswood and St Marys have the most offences. A majority of the offences occur in residential areas. Number plates are very commonly stolen. Stealing: Steady with the BP target year to date. St Marys has the most with the largest CBD area.

Drug Detection Possession

36 under the BP target year to date.

Powers Move On

22 over the BP target year to date.

Powers Person Search

298 under the BP target year to date.

Traffic

53 over BP target year to date

Injury/Fatal Collision
67 under BP target year to date

Contentious Issues: **Drug use in and around Westfield's – Mark Gold**
A large number of syringes are currently being found in and around car park and toilets near the Westfield's Plaza. Antony Keenan advised he was meeting with the Chemist that dispenses withdrawal medications. Police have requested Mr Keenan to obtain statistics on dispensary of syringes and tablets to determine if medications are "takeaway" which causes drugs to be saleable.

Community feedback to committee members re police activity: Ms Jill Woods advised that whilst in attendance at Council meeting, Ms Yvonne Perkins, noted large decrease in graffiti and attributed police and crime initiatives to excellent results in this area.

General Business: Mr Glenn Cooper advised of current security exercises being undertaken at University campuses re responsive action plan. Relevant packages have now been created which include university entry and exit points and relevant ph numbers for police

CCTV project is being undertaken on five premises with Penrith to house 150 cameras.

Mr Mark Gold acknowledged success in decreased crime rates at Westfield's with deployment of User Pay police on a Thursday evening within the Westfield's Plaza.

Ms Gladys Reed reported positive feedback from shop owners re playing of music along high street. One late trader advised that persons no longer loiter in the area and have attributed this to the music being played. Initiative has been of a large expense and large costs will continue, however, the system will be monitored over a twelve month period

Next Meeting: Penrith LAC, September date to be advised
Meeting Closed: 11:23am

Actions

Antony Keenan to report on statistic data obtained from methadone clinic dispensary.