Community Safety Precinct Committee (CSPC)

Meeting Minutes

Date: 14th March, 2016



Meeting commenced at 10.00am

- **Welcome and introduction** by Crime Coordinator Vivienne Crawford:
- Apologies Commander Sullivan, Inspector Glen Trayhurn (BWLAC), Kathy Smith (MP), Deborah Warwick (Imperial Shopping Centre), 2. Ainslie Whitburn (Gosford Council), Peter Pauling (Kariong Progress Association/NHW), Tom Wilson and Murray SCOTT (Kariong Progress Association).

Attendance Present:

Edwina Nikora - Gosford Business Improvement District

Kim Leecroft - Gosford Business Improvement District

Joanne Knight – Compass Housing Services

Jane Letteri - Senior Electorate Officer for Kathy Smith MP

Fiona Morrison – Australian Drug Foundation

Virginia Walshaw - Regional Youth Support Services

Erin Meyer - Regional Youth Support Services

Josie Fudge - Copacabana NHW

Martin Wellington St Huberts Island NHW/ Progress Association

Volunteer in Police – David Isaac

Police – Inspector Paul Nicholls, Crime Coordinator Vivienne Crawford, and Crime Prevention Officer Senior Constable Rachael Scott.

- **Crime Presentation:** Inspector Paul Nicholls:
 - COMPASS all key crime categories are worked on targets. Over all the Command is tracking well. There has been a rise in opportunistic crime, in particular:

Alcohol Offences relating to licensed premises adhering to and working with the Liquor Accord. Offenders who are banned from one banned from all working well.

Domestic Violence making progress in reduction from targeting repeat offenders and compliance checks. BWLAC has the highest compliance rate in the state because of the use of the DVET (Video Statement System).

Steal from Retail Store operations to reduce crime in this area have been successful in apprehending offenders. CPOs distributes leaflets to businesses promoting safe business practices.

Steal from Dwelling slight rise, but tracking well with the main issue being ease of access through open garage doors and open windows and doors.

Steal from Motor Vehicle a decrease has been seen in this area due to the apprehension of offenders and continual proactive operations at car parks identifying unlocked vehicles and vehicles with contents clearly visible.

Operation CREED An intelligence based operation targeting anti-social behavior.

 Overall major crime figures in this command are down. Police would like to continue to promote the use of Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000. If you have information about a crime or criminal behaviour, call Crime Stoppers on this toll free number. Crime Stoppers uses information that members of the public provide to solve crimes and catch offenders. You are guaranteed anonymity and confidentiality.

4. Previous minutes:

Nil Issues or actions arising from previous meeting.

5. Agenda items:

Virginia Walshaw – Regional Youth Support Services (RYSS)

RYSS Bus - Mobile Outreach Youth Centre

RYSS is promoting its latest initiative of an addition to its range of child, youth and family support.

Ms Walshaw provided a handout and went on to expand on the use of **THE BUS**.

It's still a work in progress but will be eventually able to access areas where young people congregate. This will work in conjunction with local communities and services to deliver activities to youths, in particular the mid-range age groups.

It is hoped to launch this initiative during Youth Week. The community will be able, through community consultation, to provide information as to what ideas can be identified and included in **THE BUS**.

The completed "fit out" is anticipated by mid-July and are looking for volunteer drivers, as well as community services and organisations such as the PCYC to work in partnership.

Sgt Crawford commented that security may be an issue, which would need to be planned for. A general discussion on youth issues followed.

6. Reports:

Compass Housing Services

❖ Anti-social behavior in some complexes.

Action:

What	By who	By when
High Anti-Social behavior currently	Compass / CPO BW LAC	Ongoing
Banning Notices	Compass/CPO/Crime Manager	Ongoing

Gosford Improvement Business District

- Continued anti-social issues in Kibble Park.
- Cyber Scams occurring

Action:

What	By who	By when
Talk on Scams received via electronic email	GBID to advise BWLAC Media Page	Prior to talk

Josie Fudge - Copacabana

- Crime in area quiet at the moment.
- Child approach incident in February. Insp Nicholls advised this incident was logged and in hand.
- Neighbour Day on Easter Sunday with community events being held. Safety leaflets provided by the Police will be handed out.
- Thanks to Corina for all her assistance over the years and looks forward to working with Rachael at the NHW meetings.

Jane Letteri - Representing Kathy Smith MP

- ❖ Apologised for the local member not being at the meeting as she had commitments in Canberra.
- * Reported that the recent media coverage regarding crime on the Peninsula was greatly exaggerated and out of proportion.
- Advised there would be a community meeting in Woy Woy on 6 April to discuss crime in the area.

 Sgt Crawford again promoted the continued use of Crime Stopper and PAL as a great intelligence agency for the community.

Fiona Morrison - Australian Drug Foundation

- Continued support and promoting the Community Drug Action Teams (CDAT)
- Drug foundation is working to promote upcoming Youth Week. They are in the process of implementing various programs such as "Save Your Mate".

Martin Wellington - St Hubert's Island

- Very little crime to report of at the moment
- Community newsletters are distributed regularly with the key message for the community to report crime via Crime Stoppers and/or PAL.

S/Cst Rachael Scott - CPO

Read a letter of appreciation received from Kariong Progress Association for all the positive work done by LAC in the Kariong area.

Crime Coordinator

- No need to wait until the next CSPC meeting to raise issues or concerns in your community. Please call police if you have any issues and continue to report all crime.
- In addition, Sgt Crawford advised that S/Cst Hassett has now left after a long term in the force serving the community and would like it noted that Corina will be missed by both the community and especially this Command.
- 7. 2016 Meetings: Gosford Police Station, level 3. 10am on Monday 29th August 2016

Meeting closed 11:15am.