



NSW POLICE FORCE

Community Safety Precinct

MINUTES

Monday, 3 August 2009

ATTENDANCE

The Honourable Nathan REES MP	(Local member for Toongabbie)
Mr Robert GRIEVE	(Office of the Premier)
Councillor Charlie LOWLES	(Mayor of Blacktown)
Mr David BAMFORD	(Rotary Club of Blacktown City)
Mr George GIANNIKOS	(Westpoint Shopping Centre)
Mrs Susan VOGELS	(Sydwest Multicultural Services)
Superintendent Mark WRIGHT	(Blacktown LAC Commander)
Inspector Paul Mc HUGH	(Blacktown LAC Duty Officer)
Inspector Gary HUTCHEN	(Blacktown LAC Crime Manager)
Senior Sergeant KRAUS	(Blacktown LAC Crime Co-ordinator)
Sergeant Sally SCOTT	(Blacktown LAC Intelligence Supervisor)

APOLOGIES

Mr Paul GIBSON	(Member for Blacktown)
Ms Jo-ann LOCK	(Principal Doonside Primary School)
Ms Michelle PARR	(Doonside Community Cottage)
Mr Joe ALLAN	(The Hills Sports High)
Mr Miguel OLMO	(Blacktown Youth Services Association)
Mr Neal VAUGHN	(Blacktown Workers Club)

MEETING OPENED: 09:20 am

Mr WRIGHT: Welcome and overview of the Blacktown LAC role in respect of the Community Safety Precinct Committee. Identified that only the invited committee members are able to attend the meeting process, however the elected officials on the committee are able to delegate their attendance if unable to attend.

SGT SCOTT: Powerpoint presentation - crime overview for the previous three months. The overview included a detailed breakdown of Crime Categories/involvements/gender, age of offenders and victims. Further discussions with committee members regarding figures/breakdown of crimes.

Mr WRIGHT: Mr GIANNAKOS to advise retailers of police involvement/operations in reducing the number of thefts from retail stores.

In future meetings police will provide data to the members in relation to taskings and hotspots.

Further discussions between Mr WRIGHT and Mr REES in relation to Fail to Pay offences (petrol). Mr WRIGHT explained the challenges Police face when investigating these offences.

General Discussions

Discussion surrounding underlying issues with Break & Enters around the Australorp Ave area (Seven Hills). Statistics for the area over the past twelve months shown by SGT SCOTT. Discussion surrounding initiatives to date.

Group discussions in relation to crime and perceived targeting of certain ethnic groups within the community. (No evidence of an increase in reported crime against any one nationality)

Discussion surrounding future involvement of Community Elders and the development of leaders within the local community.

Next Rotary meeting to be held on the 31st August, to discuss 'Rotaract'. Targeted at ages 18 - 30 year olds to bring persons of all nationalities together, looking at building our future community leaders.

CST COLLINGS: Powerpoint presentation on Doonside Community Project. Aimed at bringing the local community in this area together. Promoting and encouraging interaction amongst residents, reporting of crime and collaboration of Government agencies.

Discussions involving all members about this project. Suggestions from Mr WRIGHT to promote through local media.

Information provided by Mr Bamford on his involvement with BECAP (Blacktown Emerging Communities Action Plan). Getting youths involved in sport by assisting in the provision of resources required.

MEETING CLOSED: 10:50 am

Next meeting date TBA
