



NSW POLICE FORCE

Community Safety Precinct Committee

MINUTES

Tuesday, 18 May 2010

ATTENDANCE

Mr David BAMFORD	DB	(Rotary Club of Blacktown City)
Mr George GIANNIKOS	GG	(Westpoint Shopping Centre)
Mrs Susan VOGELS	SV	(Sydwest Multicultural services)
Mr Christopher WORTHINGTON	CW	(Office of Nathan REES)
Superintendent Mark WRIGHT	MW	(Blacktown LAC Commander)
Inspector Gary HUTCHEN	GH	(Blacktown LAC Crime Manager)
Inspector Paul Mc HUGH	PM	(Blacktown LAC Duty Officer)
Sgt Emma HUCKINS	EH	(Blacktown LAC Intelligence)

APOLOGIES

Mr Paul GIBSON	PG	(Member for Blacktown)
Mr Tony ROBERTSON	TR	(Seven Hills Centro Shopping Centre)
Ms Michelle PARR	MP	(Doonside Community Cottage)
Mr Neal VAUGHN	NV	(Blacktown Workers Club)
Ms Natalie CHIAPPAZZO	NCh	(Blacktown Youth Services Association)
The Honourable Nathan REES	MP	(Member for Toongabbie/Seven Hills)
Councillor Charlie LOWLES	CL	(Mayor of Blacktown)

MINUTE TAKER

Senior Constable NC (Blacktown LAC)

MEETING OPENED: 09:16 am

Mr WRIGHT: Welcomed committee members.
State members unavailable due to Parliament currently sitting.
Parliament sitting dates to be checked prior to the next scheduled meeting date.

Sgt HUCKINS: Powerpoint presentation - This included a detailed breakdown of Crime Overview of Police Operations for previous four (4) months.

General Discussions- Assaults

DB: Are the statistics “ethnic specific”?

Mr Wright: No

General Discussions- Robbery / Break & Enter

Mr Wight: Business Plan reviewed in line with State Plan

General Discussions- Stealing/ SFMV

GH: Up to 500 leaflets handed out as part of a SFMV safety campaign at Seven Hills on 5th May, 2010. Attorney Generals, Railcorp and Police combined strategy. In addition, covert operation was conducted recently at the Seven Hills Railway Station and Car Park in conjunction with Railcorp and Transit officers.

General Discussions - Malicious Damage

GK: Have seen a reduction in Graffiti around Westpoint in recent times. Management and retailers very pleased with this.

General Discussions - SMV

DB: Article in the newspaper issued Anzac Day talks about statistics in relation to car theft in Blacktown LGA.

Mr Wright: Statistics are based on BOSCAR records. LGA includes Blacktown, Mt Drutt and Quakers Hill Commands.

DB: Could victim details be given to Blacktown Council to enable referrals for the supply of engine immobilisers.

EH: No, for privacy reasons the victim can be supplied with details for the Council to progress supply of engine immobilisers.

General Business

SV: One of the Sydwest programs involving African / Indian community project workers will shortly be completed. Discussion regarding evaluation and outcomes.

GK: Recognition of the good work being done by Blacktown Police at Westpoint.

Mr Wright: CBD audit to be conducted. Assessing available activities for YPs, in particular on Thursday nights and during school holidays.

SV: Looking at program for teenagers between school and tafe.

Funding from Immigration for community liaison. A bus has been made available to Sydwest for transporting young persons to organised sporting activities.

DB: Rotary have submitted an application for funding on behalf of "Project Switch" Dance Teaching Program. Funding available through funds provided by Registered Clubs for Community Projects. Result will be known by August.

General discussion regarding Traffic Offenders Program.

CW: Raised issue of late night trading hours for licensed premises in general.

General discussion by group on current media and community focus on this subject.

Mr Wright: Spoke about the work being done by Blacktown LAC with regards to licensing related matters. This is reflected in the fact Blacktown LAC does not have a licensed premises in the top 100 listing for premises with adverse incidents linked to them. Mr Wright outlined the role of OLGR (Office of Liquor, Gaming & Racing). Reference made to the current campaign being conducted by the Police Association (Last Drinks).

CW: Asked about current trail bike strategies, in particular identifying owners of unregistered bikes using public land.

Mr Wright: Made reference to Police and Council collaboration. Further reference to trained trail bike riders attached to HWP offices within the Blacktown, Mt Druitt and Quakers Hill LACs. Note to seek further information from SCC Property Crime section regarding current related strategies for identification of unregistered bikes on public land.

New local reporters at the Advocate and Sun. Official meet and greet to be arranged whereby a command profile can be provided.

MEETING CLOSED: 10:45 am

Next Meeting TBA - Email to be sent from LAC
