

NORTHERN BEACHES LOCAL AREA COMMAND

COMMUNITY SAFETY PRECINCT COMMITTEE MINUTES

28 May 2009

Chairperson: A/Superintendent Pickering

Members:

A/Superintendent Pickering	Northern Beaches Police	A/Superintendent
Inspector Wonders	Northern Beaches Police	Crime Manager
Sergeant Jones	Northern Beaches Police	Intel Officer
Sergeant Pillay	Northern Beaches Police	Licensing
Senior Constable Goodwin	Northern Beaches Police	Crime Prevention Officer
Magdi Breir	Northern Beaches Police	Ethnic Community Liaison Officer
Rob Stokes	Member of Parliament	State Member for Pittwater
Brad Hazzard	Member of Parliament	State Member for Wakehurst
David James	Pittwater Council	Mayor for Pittwater
Michael Regan	Warringah Council	Mayor for Warringah
Tony Haven	State Transit Authority	Operations Manager
Paul Hogan	Pittwater Council	Social Planning & Community Development Co Ordinator
Lindsay Godfrey	Pittwater Council	Manager Community Library & Economic Development
Angela Boyle	Pittwater Council	Aged Care Services
Keith Ralfs	Pittwater Business Association	President
Stephen Robertson	Warringah Chamber of Commerce	President
Susan Gamola	Warringah Council	Community Safety Officer
Domenic Larosa	State Transit Authority	Safety Officer
Mark O'Connor	State Transit Authority	Safety Officer
Julian Nowland	MDECC	Social Worker
Kim Johnston	MDECC	Social Worker

Apologies:

Superintendent Cruickshank	Northern Beaches Police	Superintendent
Gary Durler	State Transit Authority	Safety Officer
Michael Baird	Member of Parliament	State Member for Manly
Amanda Watkins	MDEC	Social Worker

Meeting Commenced at 10.00am.

A/Superintendent Pickering welcomed everyone and introduced all the police staff to the members.

Confirmation of Previous Minutes:

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted by Lindsay Godfrey seconded by David James.

Crime Overview

Sergeant Jones gave a brief overview of the Compass State Plan and explained the new methodology for the measurement of statistics used by the NSW Police Force.

Assault – Non Domestic Violence

30% of these incidents are Alcohol related.

Hot spot areas are Mona Vale, Brookvale, Dee Why & Collaroy.

The hot time period 1am and 11am to 12pm with predominant day Sunday

Assault – Domestic Violence

41% of these incidents are alcohol related, with 95% occurring in residential premises.

Hot spot areas are Narrabeena, Dee Why, Mona Vale, Elanora Heights

The hot time periods are 6pm and 9pm Friday and Sundays.

A/Superintendent Pickering advised that Northern Beaches LAC implemented DV operations on allocated Sundays to target repeat offenders and victims of domestic violence.

Break and Enter – Dwelling

Hot spot areas are Collaroy, Harbord, Narrabeen, Curl Curl and Frenchs Forest

The hot spot time periods are 1pm and 3am on Fridays and Saturdays.

These are front door, ground floor and forced locks.

Break and Enter – Non Dwelling

Many of these relate to BES in garages and unit block underground car parks. Others are mainly business and light industrial premises.

Stealing

This category includes steal from dwelling, steal from retail.

A/Superintendent Pickering stated the NB proactive team conduct operations in conjunction with loss prevention officers and security guards.

Steal from Motor Vehicles

NB police are targeting 7 offenders who are currently active. Some of these offenders are out in the community on bail. Adults and juveniles have been

charged. Other juveniles have been cautioned. Many victims are continuing to leave their vehicles unlocked, with valuables left in vehicles.

Hot spot areas are Elanora Heights, Killarney Heights, Dee Why, Bilgola and Narrabeen, particularly beachside parking areas.

Robbery

Sergeant Jones stated an offender has been arrested for a knife point robbery in Narrabeen and similar robberies in Manly, Mosman and Chatswood. Police have arrested one offender in relation to two robberies at beauty salons.

Stolen Vehicles

Most of the stolen vehicles in the Northern Beaches Local Area Command area are recovered locally.

Hot spot areas are Dee Why, Avalon, Mona Vale, Brookvale

Malicious Damage

Hot spot areas are Dee Why, North Narrabeen, Mona Vale, Frenchs Forest, Narrabeen. The hot spot time period 12am – 1am Friday and Saturday

Sergeant Jones stated there has been a good drop in April rates of malicious damage. Police conducted Vikings and Mega-Vikings operations recently.

Senior Constable Goodwin stated he has continued school audits with both government and private schools. A/Superintendent Pickering stated police continue to patrol schools as part of their taskings and continue to arrest offenders. Police monitor parties to prevent malicious damage in the vicinity of the party.

Injury and Fatal Crash

Hot spot areas are Newport, Allambie Heights, Brookvale, Manly Vale, Mona Vale and North Narrabeen. Sergeant Jones presented maps showing street crime, assault, malicious damage and robbery plus police proactivity for Mona Vale CBD and Collaroy CBD as per the request/outstanding action made by Lindsay Godfrey at the previous CSPC meeting.

General Business

A/Superintendent Pickering stated Northern Beaches police are continuing to patrol bus stops and board buses. This patrolling is conducted by general duties and Vikings.

Lindsay Godfrey raised the issue of the concert at Rat Park in Warriewood on Saturday 21st February 2009. Licensing Sergeant Pillay stated future concerts will need greater security and consultation with police. Police were very busy preventing large numbers of youths, many of whom were under the age of 18 years old from entering the venue through holes in the fence, some of which

had been cut by youths with wire cutters. Police were also required to eject numerous intoxicated youths from the concert.

A/Sergeant Pillay provided update on “Allo Allo” restaurant in Mona Vale.

A/Superintendent made mention of police pro-active and reactive activity in the vicinity of the Mona Vale CBD.

A/Sergeant Pillay noted problems occurring at and in the vicinity of the Collaroy Beach Hotel which is ranked 39 in the top 48 Hotels in ELORM statistics. A decision regarding a Development Application regarding this Hotel is pending.

Guest Speaker:

Phil Tangey briefed CSPC members on RTA funded “Good Sports” Initiative. Susan Gomola and Lindsay Godfrey stated the interest of their respective Councils in the “Good Sports” initiative.

CSPC Speaker:

Lindsay Godfrey presented Beachside Council Paper “Managing the challenge of anti-Social issues experienced by Beachside Councils.” Lindsay Godfrey stated Manly LAC is seeking to make a submission to OLGA for earlier closing times for several hotels in the Manly LGA which relates S.79 submissions to a 2.00am closing time. Mr Godfrey also stated that this has implications for Warringah and Pittwater Council which could both experience displacement of patrons from Manly LGA due to earlier closing times.

Action:

A/Superintendent Pickering to liaise with Superintendent Darcy of Manly Local Area Command.

Motion:

Raised by Lindsay Godfrey. The Northern Beaches CSPC has concerns about possible impacts on Pittwater and Warringah Council and Northern Beaches Local Area Command on implications regarding the changes to closing times for hotels in the Manly LGA. Northern Beaches Police and Manly Police to liaise.

No other issues raised.

Meeting Concluded 11.45am.