

# **Minutes**

# Community Safety Precinct Committee Eastern Suburbs LAC 6pm, Wednesday 12 April 2017

6pm, Wednesday 12 April 2017 Waverley Police Station Chairperson – A/Superintendent FORDY

# **Members Present:**

Name	Agency
Ian Barber	Queens Park Precinct
John Batts	Bronte Beach Precinct
D/inspector Timothy Bayly	NSW Police Force
Grant Beard	Bronte Precinct
Karin Brennan	South Bondi Precinct
Maria Flood	Mill Hill/Bondi Junction Precinct
A/Superintendent Samantha Fordy	NSW Police Force
Melissa Green	Waverley Council
Juju Kalek	North Bondi Precinct
Lenore Kulakauskas	Bondi Beach Precinct
Peter Lynch	Mill Hill/Bondi Junction Precinct
Max Setz	Bronte Precinct
Yigal Shirin	Westfield
Simon Swifte	Queens Park Precinct
Senior Constable Jacqui Waserman	NSW Police Force

# **Apologies:**

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Name	Agency
Stephen BRAJAK	Charring Cross Precinct
Paula Masselos	Waverley Council
Corey Worgan	Mill Hill/Bondi Junction Precinct
Howard	Mill Hill/Bondi Junction Precinct

# Minute Items

Meeting opened at 6:00pm

- Welcome by S/C Waserman
- Acknowledgement of Country.
- Apologies
- Objectives of the meeting discussed- ESLAC considers the CSPC as an important opportunity to have a meaningful dialogue, to find out what the communities concerns are and provide information about current crime trends and crime prevention techniques.

#### **PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Confirmed: John Batts Seconded: Ian barber

#### **OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

Nil

#### CRIME ANALYSIS AND POLICE PRESENTATION- S/C Waserman

#### Current Trending Crime Issues

#### Break, Enter and Steal

We are currently seeing an increase in BES offences. 43% of residential offences occur on Tuesdays and Wednesdays, then 30% on weekends. Offences occur at all times of the day with no discernible pattern. Most commercial offences occur on Saturdays and Wednesdays in the hours of darkness.

A number of offences have transpired after offenders located house keys left in letter boxes. Police have urged community members to refrain from leaving keys in letterboxes.

# Steal from Dwelling

43% of offences occur on the weekend with weekday offences evenly spread. Offences are occurring at all hours of the day with no discernible pattern. A number of offenders have been arrested and charged with steal from dwelling

Forensic investigation is often compromised due to the surfaces (garage, mailbox) and exposure to weather.

Mail Theft continues to be a significant contributor to this crime category.

Information from Queensland Police is that one master-key will open 90% of Australian letterboxes. Precincts are encouraged to investigate alternate locks. Some information is available from Australia Post.

# Distal Displacement Area

On 6 March 2017 BOSCAR released its findings in relation to the effects of lockout and last drinks laws on non-DV assaults in Sydney.

Bondi has been identified as a Distal Displacement Area along with Newtown, Coogee and Double Bay.

In a study comparing the 61 months before the laws came into effect and the 32 months after it has been determined that the number of assaults has increased 16.7% in the DDA. This percentage includes Newtown, Coogee and Double Bay and much of the

increase has occurred in those LACs. Our numbers are currently slightly increased, however this is in line with the seasonal trend we see every year. Our licensing has worked closely with the local liquor accord in training licensees, bar staff and security to identify risks before they happen. A number of assaults actually occur when intoxicated people are refused entry into licensed venues and then aren't under the eye of security. Also, all late trading licensed venue in the LAC actually do have a lock out as part of their development consent.

The government violent venue review scheme recently identified one venue within the Lac as having 12 attributable assaults in a 12 month period. There has been a change within that venue as a result and they have been assault free for over three months.

#### Downward Trending Crime Issues

Robbery Fraud Steal from person

#### • Recent Great Arrests

#### 1 January 2017

A 48 year old Bondi woman was charged following an incident early on New Year's Day.

It is alleged about 12:30am on Sunday 1 January 2017 the female approached a group of revellers who were at a party nearby the female's home. After a dispute, the female returned to her home and got an axe before returning to the partygoers.

The revellers took the axe from the female and contacted police She was charged with Have custody of an offensive implement in a public place and Affray.

#### 9 January 2017

A 19 year old Abbotsbury man was charged following the theft of property which had been left unattended on Bondi Beach whilst the owners went for a swim.

About 6:15pm a witness saw the 19 year old approach an unattended backpack and look around to see who was watching as he transferred the contents into his own bag. Lifeguards gave chase

He was charged with two counts of stealing.

#### ❖ 28 February 2017

Emergency services were called to a shopping centre on Spring Street, Bondi Junction about 3pm following reports that a woman was assaulted before being forced into a van, which then left the centre.

ESLAC police commenced an investigation and the VOI was located about 12.30am on 1 March 2017), in Newtown LACa Hiace van on Derby Place, Glebe, where they spoke to the driver, a 42-year-old man, his passenger a 28-year-old man and a 35-year-old woman believed to be the woman allegedly abducted.

The 35-year-old woman was not injured.

#### 6 March 2017

A 22 year old Dulwich Hill man was charged with the theft of two Audemars Piguet watches with a combined value of \$140,000 from a retailer in Bondi Juntion.

About 5pm the man entered a store asking to see both watches as he could not decide

which one he liked. He put both watches on his wrist at which time another customer entered the store. The man is alleged to have run from the store with both watches still on his wrist while the shop assistant was distracted.

#### 10 March 2017

A 47 year old woman from the Liverpool area was charged with multiple Break & Enter and property offences.

About 7:30pm the woman gained entry into an apartment on Jacques Avenue, Bondi Beach by using a set of keys placed in the letter box by the resident. The female was apprehended by the resident who was at home when she attempted to gain entry.

The woman was searched by police found in possession of various jewellery items and foreign currency suspected of being stolen. Police further allege the woman was also involved in Break & Enter incidents which occurred in Penkivil Street, Bondi on 16 January 2017; Ocean Street, North Bondi on 7 March 2017 and Frances Street Bondi Beach on 10 March 2017. She was charged with Goods in Custody, Aggravated Break and Enter, and three break and enter offences.

#### 23 March 2017

About 1pm police were called to house on Ocean Street, Bondi, following reports of a break and enter.

Upon arrival, police searched the area before entering the house and allegedly locating a number of pills, believed to be amphetamines. A search warrant was executed just before 8pm and, during a further search of the premises, police allegedly located cocaine, steroids, cannabis, drug paraphernalia and cash.

A 21 year old has been charged with possess drug, supply greater than an indictable quantity x 2 and deal with proceeds of crime.

#### 1 April 2017

A 28 year old Marrickville man was charged after he attempted to avoid a drug detection dog on Campbell Parade, Bondi Beach.

About 7:15pm a drug detection dog was deployed in a licensed venue in Campbell Parade. Police allege upon seeing the police dog, the man immediately concealed his face and moved towards to the exit. Plain clothes police identified themselves and attempted to detain the man.

The man broke free from police and jumped over a set of stairs handrail landing on the floor below. As he attempted to run from the venue, he came into contact with security staff before being stopped by police. The man struggled and attempted to break free from police again.

The man was searched and a quantity of illicit drugs was allegedly located. Se was charged with two counts of drug supply, two counts of possess prohibited drug, resist police and breach of bail.

# Upcoming Operations-

- Anzac Day
- Lag B'Omer parade
- City to Surf
- Drug Dog operations
- Retail theft operations
- Late Trader operations
- Domestic Violence operations

### Police and the Community

ESLAC presented a cheque for \$20,000 to the Sydney Children's Hospital Foundation from its fundraising efforts including the trivia night.

23 February 2017 ESLAC held Coffee with a Cop which is encourages the community to get to know the local police, have a coffee and a chat with no agendas and no speeches. It was well attended and received by the public.

ESLAC worked with the local Liquor Accord to produce anti-domestic violence coasters which were used in licensed venues on Australia Day.

#### **GENERAL**

 Lenore Kulakauskas: The issue of Biddigal reserve has come up again. Residents have provided information as to noise and alcohol issues.

Inspector Bayly responded that police have a zero tolerance approach to breaches of the alcohol free zones including Biddigal reserve. If we see alcohol being consumed, we will tip it out. The first point of contact for issues with alcohol and noise would be the council rangers. Police roster extra crews to patrol the beach and parklands particularly in summer.

 Lenore Kulakauskas: raised the issue of the development of the Bondi Pavilion and the proposed location of the toilets.

Discussed that this was a matter for the DA process and the fact that police to review DAs of major developments within the command.

 Max Setz raised the issue of backpacker cars being left for extended periods of time in his street.

If the vehicle is currently registered and is not committing a parking offence, there is nothing that can be done about this.

 John Batts and Melissa Green raised the issue of what to do with irate people at precinct meetings.

Inspector Bayly responded that if there may be violence or danger in any circumstance, police can be called.

#### ACTIONS Nil

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Meeting Concluded at 7.04pm. Next Meeting – 6pm Tuesday 18 July 2017