



NEW SOUTH WALES POLICE FORCE
NORTH SHORE LOCAL AREA COMMAND

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AGENDA GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

Tuesday April 13th, 2010

Chatswood Police Station

Commencing: 6:30 PM

- 1. Opening, Welcome, & Apologies received.**
- 2. Administrative Matters**
 - **Amendment & acceptance of previous Minutes**
 - **Matters Arising / Outstanding**
- 3 Police Briefing / Local Crime Priorities**
- 4. Community matters and concerns as raised / Police Service Response**
- 5. Meeting close**
- 6. Next Meeting of the North Shore LAC CSPC**



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**Minutes of the
North Shore LAC Community Safety Precinct Committee.**

Minutes of the North Shore Local Area Command Community Safety Precinct Committee meeting held at the Chatswood Police Station Briefing Room at 6.30pm, April 13th, 2010.

Present:

| NAME | AGENCY |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|
| Det/Insp Bell | NSW Police |
| S/Con Matt Jewell | NSW Police |
| Tony Peirce | NS LAC |
| Gladys Berejiklian | NSW Liberal Party |
| Anthony Roberts | NSW Liberal Party |
| Lorraine Lusby | Lane Cove West Residents Assoc |
| Margaret Hill | West Roseville NHW |
| Betty Holt | Longueville/Northwood NHW |
| Ian St Vincent | Lindfield Public School |
| Reg Miu | Lane Cove West Residents Assoc |
| Ron Hicks | Northbridge NHW |
| Carlo Palamara | Longueville / Northwood NHW |
| Amanda Terranova | Castlecove NHW |
| Margery Rowell | Castlecove NHW |
| Tiiu Kroll-Simmul | Chatswood High P&C |
| Ralph Bertinetti | OPPA |
| Estelle Renard | Castlecrag / Middle Cove NHW |
| Bob Taffel | Willoughby Sth NHW |
| Joye Monaghan | Westfield Chatswood |
| Lorraine Cairnes | Castlecrag Progress Assoc |

Apologies:

| NAME | AGENCY |
|------------------------|---|
| Det/Supt Dalton | NSW Police |
| Det/Insp Peter Yeomans | NSW Police |
| Debbie Hutchens | Community Representative |
| Tony Kemm | Federation of Willoughby Progress Assoc.s |
| Cr Pat Reilly | Mayor - Willoughby Council |
| Cr Ian Cross | Mayor - Kuring-Gai Council |
| Amanda Donlan | Northbridge Public School |
| Tony Chatfield | Osborne Park NWH |
| Walter Spratt | West Chatswood NHW |

Opening and Welcome.

The meeting was opened at 6.35pm by **Insp Bell**, who thanked all present for attending.

Amendments and acceptance of previous meetings.

There were no amendments to the previous minutes.

Moved by: **Lorraine Lusby**

Seconded by: **Margaret Hill**

Matters Arising:

Lindfield Public School.

Insp Bell reported that Police had been conducting regular patrols as per taskings to address issues occurring at the school. Police have moved a number of people on from within the grounds of the school. Ian St Vincent replied that there has been some confusion at the school over the correct procedures for reporting matters to the Police. It seems a lot of matters are still not being reported. The Youth Liaison Officer will be asked to work with the school to improve this.

‘Burn’ DVD.

S/Con Jewell provided a response to the query raised last meeting in relation to the “Burn” DVD. It was produced by Legal Aid NSW and aims to educate young people about the consequences of group offending. The program will be rolled out into schools as part of a widespread education program.

P-Plate drivers.

Insp Bell reported that due to the guest speaker at tonight’s meeting – a presentation on P-Plate laws will be hold over until next meeting.

Community Police Briefing – Local Crime Priorities

S/Con Jewell

S/Con Jewell provided the group with a presentation and discussion of the current crime maps.

Insp Bell:

Inspector Bell provided the group with a further discussion on crime numbers, highlighting the variance in recorded crime over different periods. This was demonstrated in February, where Break, Enter and Steal offences varied from 4 one week to 20 in another week of the month.

The group was also provided with a summary of recent notable arrests.

- Operation ‘Countdown’ officers arrested and charged a male with 27 theft offences. The male resides in Mount Drutt and has committed offences across the Sydney area.
- Three males were arrested and charged in relation to 26 garage Break-ins. All males were from South West Sydney
- Two recent Drug Dog operations were conducted by Commuter Crime Police, with 25 persons being searched, 3 charged and 2 Cannabis Cautions issued.
- A recent vehicle stop led to the arrest of the driver, who was charged with significant drug offences. Police located 33g of Amphetamines in his vehicle.
- Stealing Offences discussed. Average of 105 offences per month, with 43 of these being shop lifting offences. These account for a high percentage of our stealings, but have a high clear-up rate thanks to detection methods employed by retailers.
- 8 stolen vehicles were located in the LAC last month. A large number had been stolen from the Mt Drutt area. A number of vehicles which had been stolen from our LAC were recovered, (often burnt out) in the Mt Drutt.

Community Issues / Outcome

| ISSUE | ACTION / OUTCOME |
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| Anthony Roberts enquired about the recent proliferation of Gold and precious metal exchange businesses which are appearing in retail areas. Anthony questioned their capacity to launder stolen items, particularly given the fact that most of the jewellery is melted down soon after being sold to them | Insp Bell replied that these businesses must still comply with the Pawnbrokers and Second Hand Dealers legislation. This requires (among other things) that ID be presented when selling goods, records be kept of all sales, goods be stored for 14 days prior to ‘disposal’ and that goods be made available to Police for inspection where suspicion exists as to the status of the goods. There is also an onus on the business to report suspicious items to Police. That being said there is still an obvious risk with any second hand dealer that they be used to dispose of stolen goods. Police are aware of these risks and do regularly check records and stock on hand. |
| Reg Mui enquired as to the difference between ‘No Parking’ and ‘No Standing’ signs | S/Con Jewell replied that the old ‘No Standing’ zones have now been amalgamated into ‘No Stopping’ zones. (as of December 08) As such – you cannot stop for any duration at all in a No Standing zone. Signage is being changed over, but any ‘No Standing’ sign now has the same meaning and the same penalty as a ‘No Stopping’ |

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| | sign. (\$189 fine, increased to \$242 and 2 demerit points if in an operating school zone) 'No Parking' allow you to stop for no longer than 2 minutes, for the purpose of dropping off or picking up passengers or goods. You must also stay within 3 metres of your vehicle. |
| Tiu Kroll-Simmul raised a recent Malicious Damage issue of superglue being injected into mailbox locks | Insp Bell replied that Police had not been aware of this trend. Victims are to be encouraged to report these incidents to allow Police to gain a more accurate picture of these offences, as well as allowing crews to be tasked to patrol problem locations. |
| Lorraine Lusby raised an issue relating to a flood light located near the intersection of Nelson Street at the Pacific Highway in Chatswood. Lorraine reports that the light is poorly adjusted and shines in the eyes of drivers on the Highway, impacting on their vision | S/Con Jewell to follow-up and arrange for an inspection of the lighting in that area. |

Presentation.

Ian St Vincent provided the group with a presentation on "Red Web" products, which are high level security identification products. Ian informed the group of how and where these high tech DNA products are being used to assist investigators in the detection and apprehension of criminals. The group was shown an audio visual presentation, together with product samples.

Meeting closed: 7.45pm

5. Next general meeting:

The next meeting will be held at 6.30pm on Tuesday the 8th of June, 2010 at the Chatswood Police Station Briefing Room.