Attendees:

Police: Supt FEHON
       Det C/Insp CLARKE
       Sgt SAINSBURY
       Sgt KABLE
       S/Con CHERRY

Mayor of PMHC Peter BESSELLING

Community Corrections Mark RUTHERFORD

Kempsey Council Adrian BEST

Community Members Graeme CUNYNGHAME

Media Louise RENNIE (NBN)
       Ben COOPER (Port News)

Apologies:

Dept of Prem & Cabinet Katherine EMERTON
Mayor of Kempsey Liz CAMPBELL
Mayor of Nambucca Rhonda HOBAN
PMHC Sharon GRIFFTHIS
Dept of Education Mark YOUNGBLUTT
Kempsey Council Cathy OLIVER
Community Rosemary PENNY, Margaret KIDD.

Start: 10.15am

1) Introduction and Welcome
Supt FEHON welcomed everybody to the meeting and each person introduced themselves to the others present.

2) Matters arising from previous minutes
Sgt SAINSBURY; Traffic matters in Nambucca. Complainant ongoing communication with Police.

3) Crime review by Sgt Sainsbury

- Business Plan results to date (Local Area Command)
- 10 year incident comparison (LAC)
- Control Charts – Main Crime Categories – Past 3 Years
- More detailed analysis for Port Macquarie/Hastings
  *Control charts for the past 3 years.
  *Review of major incident types over the past 12 weeks.
  *Crime mapping
- Significant recent arrests.
### Ten Year Incident Comparisons.

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### Nambucca Cluster
Control Charts for the past 3 years – major crime categories with January 2016 projections
Assault, Break & Enter, Drug Detection, Fraud, Malicious Damage, Robbery, Stealing and Stolen Vehicle/Vessel.

### Macleay Cluster results
Control Charts for the past 3 years – major crime categories with November 2015 projections
Assault, Break & Enter, Drug Detection, Fraud, Malicious Damage, Robbery, and Stealing. Stolen Vehicle/Vessel.

### Hastings Cluster results: including a more details look at the past 12 weeks

- Number & percentage of incidents in each sector
- Control Charts for the past 3 years – major categories
- More detailed look at the past 12 weeks
- Crime Mapping
- Other incidents of note
**Assault – 12 weeks to 31/1/16**
152 incidents in this period
- 110 Common assaults
- 39 ABH assaults
- 3 GBH assaults
47% in residential premises
31% in public places
8% in licensed premises
38% Alcohol related
32% DV related
3% Drug related

**Break & Enter – 12 weeks to 31/1/2016**
137 incidents in this period
- 21 were attempts only
- 18 others no property stolen
85% residential premises
7% business premises
61% entry via door (front more prominent)
28% entry via window (rear more prominent)

**Drug Detection – 12 weeks to 31/1/2016**
131 incidents in this period
- 101 drug possession
- 12 cultivate drug
- 3 supply drug
60% involved cannabis
18% involved methyl/amphetamines
8% pharmaceutical drugs

**Fraud – 12 weeks to 31/1/2016**
81 incidents in this period
- 39 deception offences
- 20 fail to pay offences
- 12 other fraud
- 5 counterfeit currency
20 incidents occurred at Service Stations
Fraudulent use of lost/stolen credit cards account for a significant proportion of deception offences.

**Malicious Damage – 12 weeks to 31/1/2016**
150 incidents in this period
- 10% recorded as graffiti
48% in residential premises
29% in public places
11% in educational premises.
17% DV related
14% alcohol related

**Robbery – 12 weeks to 31/1/2016**
3 robberies were of relatively minor nature. 2 being late reports.
Knives reportedly involved in 2 of the cases.
1 Robbery at residential premises, the other two in public places
Stealing – 12 weeks to 31/1/2016
296 incidents in this period
- 47% other steal
- 33% steal from vehicle
- 12% steal from retail store
35% from public places
32% from residential premises
17% from businesses

Stolen vehicle/vessel – 12 weeks to 31/1/2016
54 incidents in this period, including 10 attempts
Only 1 vessel
5 trailers (including 1 caravan)
4 motorcycles
46% from residential premises
44% from public places
42% of vehicles remain unrecovered

Other Incidents of note – 12 weeks to 31/1/2016
In addition to the 1004 incidents in the major crime categories, a further 5010 incidents are recorded as having occurred in the Hastings Cluster in this 12 week period. These fell into 60 separate incident categories with some of the more significant of these being;
- 1742 traffic incidents
- 427 Person Searches
- 212 Business Inspections
- 207 Child at Risk incidents
- 198 DV – No offence incidents
- 120 Move On directions
- 102 Major Traffic Crashes
- 73 Mental Health incidents

Significant arrests – past 3 months
- On 6 February 2016, two Kempsey men aged 28 and 22 were arrested in relation to the discharge of a firearm in Kempsey 4 days earlier. Both offenders were charged with Discharge firearm with intend to cause GBH, Possess loaded firearm, Fire firearm in public place, Carry firearm in a manner likely to injury and Malicious Damage.
- On 27 January, two men were arrested at King Creek. A large quantity of what police will allege is Methylamphetamine was located. One offender charged with supply & possess a prohibited drug, resist arrest & traffic offences, the other was charged with an outstanding warrant assault police, resist police & malicious damage.
- On 12 January a Kempsey man wanted on 10 outstanding arrest warrants, was arrested in Kempsey. This man had been eluding police up & down the coast since April 2015.
- On 4 January, a Bowraville man wanted for being armed with intent and other matters was arrested in Nambucca Heads. When arrested he was found in possession of a 25cm knife secreted in his waistband.
- On 29 December 2015, police arrested a 30 year old Port Macquarie man in relation to a home invasion in Port Macquarie 3 weeks earlier. He was charged with Aggravated break & enter & commit serious indictable offence, assault occasioning actual bodily harm and goods in custody suspected of being stolen.
- On 22 December 2015, police arrested a 15 year old Kempsey youth in relation to a home invasion and sexual offence committed on a 61 year old Kempsey woman 5 days earlier.
- On 16 December 2015 a 19 year old Kempsey man was arrested in the CBD of Kempsey. He was charged with Assault with intent to rob, serious traffic offences and 4 outstanding warrants.
- On 4 December with the assistance of State Protection Support Unit officers, a search warrant was executed on a house in Kempsey were a 19 year old Kempsey man was
arrested on outstanding matters. He was charged with firearm, Assault, Intimidation and armed with intent offences.

- On 4 December 2015, Police arrested a 26 year old Macksville man. This person had been on the run from police for 6 months in both the local area and South Australia. He was charged with 5 outstanding warrants and other offences.

Crime Discussion

a) Increase in Detective numbers at Kempsey

D/Insp CLARKE: Our detectives are a LAC resource and are moved to where they are needed. The Mid North Coast LAC contributes 4 detectives S/F ROSANN (William Tyrell investigation) along with investigators from major crime squads. We have a new full time detective and have Detectives coming back from maternity and other leave there to boost the numbers. S/F Rosann constantly being reviewed.

b) Proactivity – Bike Unit.

Supt FEHON: With the new officers that have been coming to the LAC a General Duties Support Unit has been formed and is used all over the LAC. At our tasking and deployment meetings we are able to pinpoint where they are most needed. They have been equipped with a Police vehicle with the ANPR (automated national plate register) that recognizes vehicles that are unregistered, uninsured, the driving license status of the registered owner and if there are any warnings on the vehicle re drugs/associates/warrants etc. The bike unit that belongs to the Proactive group that is on duty over the Christmas Holidays is able to patrol isolated areas and is responsible for a large number of reported incidents and arrests of offenders. There are 2 bikes at each cluster. The LAC would like to be able to have the proactive team working from Christmas through to Easter and the school holidays but due to Work, Health and Safety requirements all operational Police have to undergo annual training consisting of reaccreditation of bikes, State Protection Support Unit (SPSU), Firearms etc. Our front line Police numbers are very important and due to this training we only have the resources for the bike unit to be restricted to the holiday periods.

With those significant arrests Police were doing a great job. Putting in a lot of hours to get the job done.

c) Mobile Drug Testing

Supt FEHON: The drug testing bus is stored at Kempsey and used all over the LAC. We continue to run operations with the HWP. The MNC LAC had the 2nd highest amount of RBT’s in the Northern Region for the past 12 weeks. Continued advertising of drink/drug driving is needed as people will get arrested if they do take the risk.

Contributions by committee members to general discussion were well accepted.

Supt FEHON: Good to see you people here. The meetings take away the perception and show the true statistics of reported crime in the LAC.

4) Next Meeting

Next meeting is the 10 May 2016 at Kempsey, 16 August at Nambucca and the 22 November back at Port Macquarie.

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