

**Community Safety Precinct Committee Meeting  
Lake Illawarra Police District  
8 December 2020  
MINUTES**

**Attendance:**

Supt Dean Smith, Insp Wunderlich, Insp Dark, SC Diane Martin, SC Tamara Davidson, Paul Scully MP Wollongong, Paul Grebert Albion Park Chamber of Commerce, Mark Miller, Meegan Martinez Shellharbour Council, Nick Guggisberg Kiama Council, Greg Golledge obo Anna Watson MP Shellharbour, Ian Fitzgibbon Dapto Business Chamber, Gary McKay Kiama Chamber of Commerce, Michael Barnes South Coast Scouts, Brian Gow Bunnings, Nathan Mackay Albion Park Woolworths, Roger Evans Next Door Cordeaux Heights, Armando Reviglio, Lila Dimoski Wollongong Council, Robyn Harris EXO

**Apologies:** Ch/Insp Brian Pedersen Dapto Geographical Area, Stephen Jones Member for Throsby, Troy Ritchie Port Kembla Chamber of Commerce.

**Minutes:** Robyn Harris

**Meeting opened:** 10am

**Opening:** Welcome to all attendees and introduction from Insp Aaron Wunderlich  
Glen Sutherland ACLO acknowledgment to country.

Minutes from previous meeting accepted.

**Actions Outstanding from Previous Meeting - Nil**

**Commander Welcome:**

Supt Smith welcomed the attendees to today's meeting, outlined a welcome relief to regain some normality before the Christmas season arrives. Deployment to the Border has had an impact on the District with the provision of extensive manhours and disruption to our preventive and proactive taskings. Proud to say our police showed great commitment to providing support and safety to the community throughout COVID and the border deployment. Domestic Violence has been impacted during this period and we are working heavily on Adult Sexual Assault, Child and Historical cases. High profile cases have given victims confidence to come forward under difficult and traumatic circumstances. DV Courts are now closed courts.

Thankyou you to the Community and yourselves for your support during 2020.

Geographical Inspectors are your resource feel free to email them on the enclosed addresses if you are experiencing any issues.

**Crime Review & Analysis/ Summary – Inspector Aaron Wunderlich**

Malicious damage is up in key areas of Warrawong, Dapto, Port Kembla, Warilla and Berkeley. The spate of incidents in July where 60 vehicles were targeted have caused a spike in the figures. There has been an increase in mal damage in public places. Mal damage is linked heavily to Domestic Violence cases. Legal action rate is high for known offenders. The availability of CCTV and Dash Cam and Security Footage has greatly assisted the arrest of offenders.

Nick Guggisberg from Kiama Council – Perception is high for crime but the figures are low. This is due to the fundamental response to Crime and Proactive Prevention. When repeat offenders are being targeted reoffending rates drop. Prevention tasking versus reactive tasking has seen a reduction in crime. Rise Up and youth programs, partnerships with agencies, legislative changes have impacted on crime.

Complaints in relation to trail bikes are recorded with the Trail Bike Unit.

- The Trail Bike Unit at Lake Illawarra PD has re-commenced, and they will be heavily deployed over summer to hotspots

- Police depend on timely and accurate reporting of unregistered trail bikes being used on public roads.
- The Trail Bike Unit maintains a database of hotspots to generate taskings for each shift. This is based on dispatch reports, official police reports (COPS events), Facebook information, e-mails and word of mouth. Continued reporting of illegal trailbike activity is important.
- Lake Illawarra Highway Patrol have been briefed on this issue and they are patrolling the nominated areas.
- Lake Illawarra Police will promote road safety messages on social media platforms. Shellharbour Council will do the same.
- Lake Illawarra Police will start reporting on action taken in relation to unregistered trail bikes, e.g. tickets issued, bikes seized.
- Lake Illawarra Police will use their powers under the Law Enforcement Powers and Responsibilities Act and Road Transport legislation to seize unregistered trail bikes used illegally. These trail bikes will be destroyed rather than sent to auction.
- Lake Illawarra Police are looking for road safety ambassadors, particularly successful motorbike or trail bike riders.
- Lake Illawarra Police is working with Local Councils in relation to improving infrastructure to reduce trail bike access to public spaces.
- Lake Illawarra Police will use new technology available to Police Rescue to detect offences, e.g. drones
- The Crime Prevention Unit will target young offenders by speaking to them and their parents to warn them in relation to road safety and fines for illegal trail bike activity. Bikes are being seized and sold for scrap, parents are warned of the activities of youth, newsletters and community Face Book pages are being accessed to deploy police bikes to known locations. Drone capability is being reviewed to assess locations where the bikes come and go from.

Legislative changes to unregistered trailbikes have been considered by Parliament but are not deemed viable.

**Community Engagement Summary – SC Dianne Martin that have been held:**

- October 4th Love Bites at Illawarra Sports High
- 26th Stockland meeting re youth issues and banning notices ( operation redirect)
- 28th PACC meeting
- Nov 11-13 we attended Port Stephens with the active citizens for the end of year camp.3 days of team building and cultural activities.
- 19th November West Leagues scam talk with the people attending the bingo session.
- 20th attended the White Ribbon event at Flagstaff Hill Wollongong
- Tamper resistant screw fitting at Bunnings Unanderra
- 25th Helmet exchange launch at Albion Park Rail P/S
- 26th Principals Forum
- 3rd December Coffee with a Cop Flagstaff for International Disability Day

**SC Scott Burgess School Liaison Police**

SC Burgess presented an informative session on the role and programs of the SLP.

**Rise Up Program**

Fit For life	Fit Together	Fit for Change
Fit to Learn	Fit to Strive	Fit for Work

[http://intranet.police.nsw.gov.au/\\_data/assets/file/0006/769254/YouthStrategy\\_D17.pdf](http://intranet.police.nsw.gov.au/_data/assets/file/0006/769254/YouthStrategy_D17.pdf)

These programs are proving successful and students have progressed to employment. Talks are being conducted at Schools on Resilience and Bullying, Mental Health, Drugs, Alcohol and the Love Bites Program.

**Nathan Mackay Manager Albion Park Woolworths** -Woolworths has implemented the loss prevention tool 'Aurora'. This is proving to be successful and repeat offenders are being identified across all stores and are being targeted. Police are also able to identify offenders through CCTV footage. Banning Notices are also uploaded on the system.

Further media campaigns will be run for Steal from Motor Vehicles. The video will be re run of the incident where the victim left the car unlock and items were stolen.

**Community Feedback/Questions:**

Premier's Award – New South Wales Government – Community Service Award was presented by Gareth Ward MP to Graeme Morrison Solicitor for his ongoing work with the Community.

Supt Dean Smith conveyed his thanks for the co operation and evolving partnerships with the Chambers and Councils across all represented levels.

Merry Christmas to all and please make contact with your Geographical Inspector if assistance is required.

**Meeting finished:** 11.15am

**Next meeting:** 10am Tuesday 9 March 2021, Lake Illawarra Police District

**ACTION ITEMS ARISING FROM THIS MEETING:**

<i>Insp Wunderlich to address staff at Kiama Station who are not taking reports from the public in relation to trail bikes.</i>	<b>Insp Wunderlich</b>
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## **For Information: Geographical areas aligned to Inspectors**

### **KIAMA Sector**

Inspector Dan RICHARDSON – [rich2dan@police.nsw.gov.au](mailto:rich2dan@police.nsw.gov.au)

Kiama Sector covers Dunmore (Near Kiama Waste facility) to Gerroa Road, near Bolong Rd, Shoalhaven Heads. This sector also covers from the coastline to Jamberoo Mountain Rd and up to the Illawarra HWY, Robertson. Suburbs include Kiama, Minnamurra, Kiama Downs, Kiama Heights, Gerringong, Gerroa, Jamberoo, Curramore, Knights Hill, Foxground, Werri Beach, Bombo.

### **OAK FLATS Sector**

Inspector Aaron Wunderlich – [wund1aar@police.nsw.gov.au](mailto:wund1aar@police.nsw.gov.au)

Oak Flats Sector covers from Shell Cove north to Windang. The sector then included Shellharbour, Shellharbour City Centre, Calderwood, Blackbutt, Barrack Point, Barrack Heights, Warilla, Mount Warrigal, Lake Illawarra, Oak Flats, Albion Park Rail, Albion Park, Tullimbar, Tongarra, Macquarie Pass and Yellow Rock.

### **DAPTO Sector**

Inspector Brian PEDERSEN – [pede1bri@police.nsw.gov.au](mailto:pede1bri@police.nsw.gov.au) until 24/1/2021

Dapto Sector covers from Haywards Bay to Cordeaux Heights and includes Dapto, Dumbarton, Kanahooka, Koonawarra, Haywards Bay, Horsley, Kembla Grange, Wongawilli, Penrose, Marshal Mount, Unanderra and a small section of Kembla Heights.

### **PORT KEMBLA Sector**

Inspector James DARK – [dark1jam@police.nsw.gov.au](mailto:dark1jam@police.nsw.gov.au)

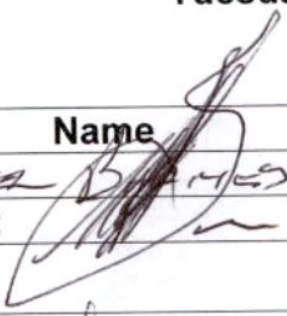
Port Kembla Sector spreads from Port Kembla across to Berkeley and south past Primbee. Other suburbs included are Unanderra (industrial area), Cringila, Lake Heights and Warrawong. This sector also surrounds the southern border of the Port Kembla Port and aligns with Wollongong Police District's southern boundary along Five Islands Rd from the Spring Hill Rd intersection.

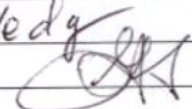
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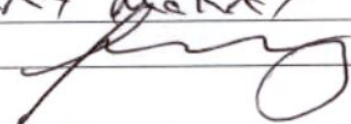
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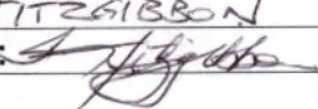
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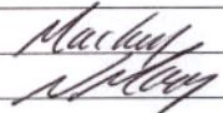
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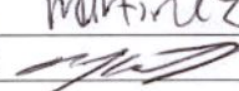
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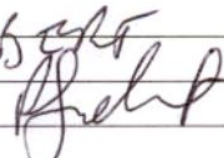
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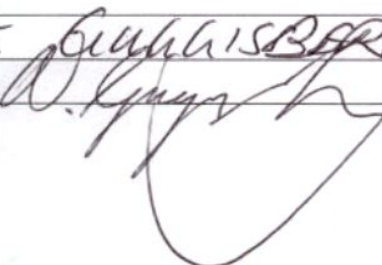
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NICK GUYHUISBARD	Kiama Council.
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