NSW POLICE FORCE

Community Safety Precinct Committee Meeting Minutes

Date:	Wednesday, 30 August 2017
Time:	11:00am
Location:	Conference Room, Surry Hills Police Station
Attendees:	A/Supt. Tim BEATTIE - A/Commander, Surry Hills LAC L/S/C Craig PARKINSON - Crime Prevention Officer, Surry Hills LAC Insp. Peter EASTMAN — Duty Officer — Surry Hills LAC Roy BISHOP — State Electorate Office Stephan GYORY — Darlinghurst Business Partnership Peter JOHNSTON — Bourke St. Public School (Principal) Alan CHU — NSW Trustee & Guardian David DEVERE - NSW Trustee & Guardian Trina GEASLEY - City of Sydney Fawad MALIK - City of Sydney Helen FENWICK - FACS NSW Viki-Lee COLLINS - FACS NSW Nick RICH — Kirketon Road Centre Bernadette STEPHENS — OASIS — Salvation Army Saroj PILLAY - VIP Surry Hills LAC
Apologies:	Mike FISH – City of Sydney David CASS – Surry Hills Liquor Accord Vanessa TROWELL – Bourke St. Public School (P&C) Martin CLARK - FACS NSW Brian ADAMS – Surry Hills Business Alliance

NOTES		
1. Welcome	 Introduction and welcome by L/S/C PARKINSON. Previous minutes accepted. Apologies noted. Round the table introduction. 	
2. Commander's Address	 Welcome by A/Supt. Tim BEATTIE - Surry Hills Police At a recent social housing tenants meeting favourable comments were received from a lady from the Chinese community (via an interpreter) expressing appreciation for the police presence in the area. 25 August was 'Wear it Purple' Day where public events were 	
	held in Hyde Park and at Sydney Boys' High School to raise an awareness of homophobic bullying amongst young people.	

- In September, two public events are planned. Surry Hills
 Festival and Straight Lives Matter. Appropriate plans for policing
 are in place.
- Crime is below still low at Surry Hills. Drug use and supply and shoplifting are the main areas of concern.
- The Children's Court will move from Glebe to its former site in Albion Street, Surry Hills.

General Business

L/S/C PARKINSON - Surry Hills Police

- Working with local colleges catering for International Students. Personal safety is the theme of the presentations which includes using public transport, driving with foreign licences, carrying knives and using drugs. The students come from various countries where engaging with police is not encouraged.
- Wear it Purple' Day was fantastic and events took place at Sydney Boys School and Hyde Park
- Working with clients at women's refuges who are extremely vulnerable with little trust of outsiders.
 - Trina GEASLEY City of Sydney advised she will forward some booklets on DV and some resources for the refuges
- Currently there are scams appearing on Facebook, often appearing to be official pages, requesting personal information. Surry Hills Police have posted warnings on line to inform the public.
- Police stations with host 'Retired Police Officers' Day' where former police officers are acknowledged for their years of public service.
- Cst AKHURST has taken over the role of Youth Liaison Officer and is doing an excellent job.
 - Bernadette STEPHENS OASIS Josh is fantastic and is helping us on funding applications

Roy Bishop — State Electorate Office

- 21st September is International Student Day. Saw an Asian student wondering in the middle of the road, they are not aware of the road rules. Safety issues need to be addressed.
- Roy also thanked L/S/C Parkinson for solving the issues that were raised in previous meeting regarding Poplar St.

Viki-Lee Collins - FACS NSW

- Advised the installation of CCTV security cameras has been completed throughout the Northcott building and surrounds. The images are monitored on site and the footage is readily accessible for police.
- Security measures for the fire stairs and car park is underway.
- Northcott still has ongoing rodent infestation. Rat baits have

- some effect while the Sydney Light Rail construction has disturbed rat nests resulting in increased sightings of the pests.
- Plans are underway to reopen the shopfront building on Belvoir Street for other agencies.
 - Helen Fenwick FACS there is a possibility that we may open this shop for Podiatrist or Medical Centre
- Advised 90% people of Martin Place people have now been rehoused.

Alan Chu - NSW Trustee & Guardian

- Very good police presence
- Advised squatters in the building opposite our office, see them coming and going, couple of people doing drugs
 - David Devere NSW T&G, also complimented on the police officers that attended and helped a Mental Health Care patient. A doctor from St Vincent's Hospital was called to help this man.

Peter JOHNSTON - Principal of Bourke St, Public School

• Thanked Police for a quick welfare check on a student.

Steven GYORY – Darlinghurst Business Partnership

- Retail trade is pretty harsh and some businesses are struggling.
 Advised receipt of some 200 responses from the businesses with overview of 25% reduction in business.
- Reported used syringes have been found in parts of Oxford Street

Trina GEASLEY – City of Sydney

- Advised on 13 October the City of Sydney has scheduled a BBQ for GLBTQI at Harmony Park.
 - L/S/C PARKINSON advised unable get Mounted Police on 2nd September for the 10 Anniversary of Northcott Pet Day

Nick RICH - Kirketon Road Ctr

- KRC is also involved in Northcott and has noted a reduction in syringes
- Kirketon Road Centre's opening hours are 9am to 4.30pm and phones will be answered between these times.

Bernadette STEPHENS - OASIS

Advised the centre will be starting schooling on site for year 11

	 & 12 year in January 2018 L/S/C Parkinson commented OASIS dramatically improved, setting rules and boundaries. Reports that even the residents feel safer. Bernadette STEPHENS responded – it's a team effort.
	Meeting concluded at 12noon
4. Next Meeting	11.00am on Wednesday , 22 November 2017 Surry Hills Police Station Conference Room