

Minutes of Meeting 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018 Redfern Police Station

Attendees	Organisation	Position
A/Superintendent Despa Fitzgerald	NSW Police Force	A/Commander
Sasko Bosevski	NSW Police Force	Intelligence
Senior Constable Maria Flood	NSW Police Force	Crime Prevention Officer
Constable Danielle Osborne	NSW Police Force	Youth Liaison Officer
Senior Constable Phillip Tucker	NSW Police Force	Licensing
Louise Kinchela	NSW Police Force	Administrative Support
Sasko Bosevski	NSW Police Force	Intelligence
Desley Haas	Redfern Tenant Rep	S/
Fiona Chisholm	Redfern Community Mental Health	/
Francis Voon	Office of Jenny Leong MP	Electorate Officer
Gary Moylan	Waterloo Tenant Rep	Tenant - Waterloo
Geoff Turnbull	REDWatch/ISRCO	Coordinator/Member
Jennifer Sams	REDWatch w police msw.g	Secretary
Judy Pearson	Drug Health Services - SLHD	Manager
Kelly-Anne Byrne	Redfern Tenant	Resident
Kristian Reyes	Youthblock	Healthy Living Link Worker
Kristina Karasulas	Redfern Community Centre	Manager
Lance Kittscha	FACS	Antisocial Behavioural Specialist
Lydia Smithers	Office of Jenny Leong MP	Senior Electorate Officer
Lyn Taylor	ARAG	Resident
Michael Shreenan	Counterpoint Community Services	Chief Executive Officer
Nigel Carrington	Youthblock	Manager
Shaun Goggins	City of Sydney	Project Manager
Sophie Parker	Redfern legal Centre	Solicitor
Tuyen Duong	Waterloo Connect	Project Coordinator
Tania Taylor	Catholic Community Services	Community Support -Aged Care

## 1. INTRODUCTION Superintendent Luke Freudenstein

- Police Officers praised by Superintendent Freudenstein for being empathetic towards Youth over the Xmas/New Year's Period. Good to see Police take into consideration family & welfare issues when dealing with Youth.
- Operation Cobblestone continuing well along Redfern and Regent Street. Seeing a decline in Anti-Social behaviour.
- Increase in assaults in Public Housing Areas. Witnesses and victims often will not give statements.
- Meetings between Police & FACS Housing to address the issue of non-compliant tenants currently living in public housing properties. Memorandum of Understanding being used. Subpoenas received from Housing regarding properties. Tenancy Tribunals. Allocation of properties to a more suitable tenant. Tenants declaring history of drug charges before being offered property in the area.
- Ongoing Issuing of Banning Notices for FACS Housing properties.
- Community meeting held at Redfern Police Station Vulnerable Youth, negative influences and peer pressure, leaving home, relationship breakdown with family and young person, court outcomes, lack of treatment services for Drug, Alcohol and mental health, cultural camps.
- Police and organisers successfully negotiating safe and successful Invasion Day/Australia Day Marches
- A complex task for police to attend 3 separate Marches with different organising groups, routes and focus agendas,
- Pressure on Police to keep traffic flowing whilst Marches happening.
- No problems from the Yabun After Party which was held at the Lansdowne Hotel
- Social Media captured positive relationships between Redfern Police and Aboriginal communitypositive feedback from the wider public.
- Good feedback from the community about the Marchs
- TJ Hickey March will go ahead on 14<sup>th</sup> Feb 2018
- A memorial plaque for TJ Hickey will be erected soon

# 2. APOLOGIES / CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

#### Apologies from:

Sam Ngui Kayleen Smith Ashan Donniah Lafo Titmuss David Williams

# NSW Police Force

#### Previous Minutes Confirmed 1<sup>st</sup> –Lyn /Taylor

 $2^{nd}$  – Judy Pearson

#### 3. OUTSTANDING ACTIONS Senior Constable Maria Flood

- 1. Traffic Plan for Urban Growth No update but will be kept on the agenda
- 2. Department of Education School just returned last week. Carry over to next meeting.
- **3.** Youthblock –New Manager Nigel Carrington Introduced himself. Counselling is provided for youth, seeing complex issues. Have a waiting list. Recruiting Health Promotion Officer.
- **4.** 125 George St Redfern Redfern Police Tasking to patrol during Operation Prevent. Police have issued banning notices, search warrants conducted, arrests made. Tenant from 125 George advised slight improvement. Banning notices work to some degree however banned person will move on and return later.
- 41 Morehead St St George Staff asked if they could do walk around properties with Redfern Crime Prevention Officer. Properties undergoing upgrade. Issues with laundries being used by homeless and drug use. Tenants enabling unauthorised people in.
- 6. Street drinkers Duty Officer raised the matter at Police Muster, Police directed to move people

on. Local Tenant Gary advised decrease in problems.

7. Small Business Forum – What Local Business Owners are interested? Advise Crime Prevention Officer.

#### 4. CRIME REVIEW Sasko Bosevski

- PowerPoint presentation of Statistics and discussion.
- Request for stats on suicide next meeting
- Request for stats on Youth Crime next meeting

## 5. YOUTH LIAISON OFFICER Constable Danielle Osborne

- Constable Osborne recently returned to duty at Redfern Police.
- Youth crime influenced by Drug and Alcohol Issues
- Attends Boxing Program Mon, Wednesday and Fridays
- Need to engage the Vulnerable Youth to attend the boxing program
- Member suggested creating pathway for youth to volunteer with the SES

### 6. LICENSING/AFZ & APA Senior Constable Phil Tucker

- Pro Active work being done by Police
- Liquor Licensing applications
- Inspections of Licensed premised
- Attending Tattoo Businesses
- Police concerned for online application process
- No CCTV on some premises
- More Footway Seating applications
- New Cinema in Central Park
- Police will oppose late night trading.

# 7. GENERAL BUSINESS

**Geoff Turnbull – REDWatch –** Looking at Systemic issues with families and how to address with redevelopment. Planning discussions for Human Services Framework, collecting Case Studies.

**Michael Shreenan – Counterpoint** – Concerns about Morehead St Property, behaviour of tenants above the child care centre. Significant risk to children and staff. Summer on the Green a Big Success. Request for Statistics on suicide. Is attempted suicide recorded. Person may go straight to hospital, are police advised.

Superintendent Freudenstein advised we need correct address if someone is concerned about possible suicide. Police may need to gain access into property by breaking locks on door. Outdated addresses will lead to police damaging wrong property when trying to save a victim. However, we will always put life above property damage.

**Lance Kittscha** – FACS – Community need to understand FACS need to house people somewhere. Some properties must have concierge in place. Camera Footage. Legislation gives tenants' rights. Tenants supported by Legal Advocacy, makes processes slower. FACS Don't always get good outcome from tribunal. Looking at what has worked in the past. FACS must find different ways of getting better outcomes.

Scholarships are available to eligible Secondary School Students living in FACS Housing. Police will distribute information to Youth at Boxing Program.

**Gary Tenant Representative** – Issues hard to clean up. When someone goes to prison another takes over the same criminal activity. Believes the three-strike policy not working. Would like FACS to get rid of

it.

**Kristina Karasulas** – Redfern Community Centre – Youth Program, pathways to employment. Music Studio. Ochre Ribbon Day 12<sup>th</sup> February

13<sup>th</sup> February Anniversary of National Apology – special guest Larissa Behrendt. 15<sup>th</sup> Feb Chinese New Year Celebrations

**Lyn Taylor** – ARAG – Advised good news, requested parking signs have been erected. Area need to be patrolled by Rangers.

Conservation of Mural across from Redfern Railway Station. Putting out expression of Interest for Artists. Working with Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Land Council. Lyn advised by Redfern Police to Attend the Police and Aboriginal Community Consultative Meeting later today to inform the wider Aboriginal community and seek suggestions.

**Tuyen Duong** – Information on Media Release of Vibrant new mixed Housing Precinct in Redfern. In planning process. No timeline yet.

Members suggested a broader facility when new PCYC Built.

Members concerned lack of parking for the whole area. Will be a huge issued when redevelopment done. Are developers looking at parking for the elderly, disabled, resident's and emergency services.

**Francis Voon** – Jenny Leong MP Office – Concerns raised to Supt Freudenstein. Are procedures between Police and FACS Housing a formal agreement? When will it be implemented.

**Tania Taylor** – Catholic Community Services. In home community support for over 65's. Recent changes to funding. Holding information sessions to educate community. Empowering the elderly. Registering for age Care. Community workers struggle to park when assisting the elderly.

#### Senior Constable Maria Flood -

NSW Police Force Community Portal Safety for Seniors Personal Security Apartment Security Transport Security Drugs – ICE Vehicle Safety Elder Abuse flyers MailSafe flyers Protect Your Bicycle Biz Safe Booklets Protection from Fraud flyers Emergency Contacts Fridge Magnet/flyer Report a Tosser (NSW EPA)

Next of Kin Program Forms Home Safe Booklets Gone in a flash personal property Protect Your Home Domestic and Family Violence flyers Triple Zero App cards Fraud booklets/flyers Reporting Drug Activity flyers Sexuality and Gender Diversity flyers 'Not Our Way' – ICE and pharmaceutical misuse in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Community

# 8. Outstanding Actions for The Next 3 Months

1. Update of Traffic Plan/Parking – Redfern Command – Urban Growth

- 2. Statistics for suicide
- 3. Update on Police/FACS agreement for allocating properties.
- 4. Pre-School tenant's behaviour around pre-school
- 5. Banning Notices
- 6. SES Voluntary Work
- 7. Video from City of Sydney produced by Youth

Meeting concluded: 11.50am <u>Upcoming Meetings</u> Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2018 Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2018 Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2018

