

# Camden Police Area Command

# **Community Safety Precinct Committee Meeting**

# MINUTES

29<sup>th</sup> November 2018

Facilitator:

A/Inspector Dale Abbott

#### Attendees:

Superintendent Ward Hanson – Commander, Camden PAC A/Inspector Erryn Williams – Crime Manager, Camden PAC Sergeant Phil Gornall - Crime Co-ordinator, Camden PAC Senior Constable Greg Louden – Crime Prevention Officer, Camden PAC Debby Dewbery - On behalf of the State Member for Camden Val Moskvitch - Camden Seniors Trish Hill – Yerranderie Community Lauren & Barry Jones - Jones Security Stephanie Tate – Australian Botanical Gardens Keith Maddock - Camden Lions Club & Camden Show Society Josephine Roccisano – Manager Greenfields Development, Oran Park Amber Archer – Tahmoor Town Centre Amanda Taylor - Harrington Park Town Centre Davina Smith - Turning Point Camden Sarah Gadd - Wollondilly Council Maryann Strickling - Camden Chamber of Commerce Wade Thomas - Camden Chamber of Commerce Tom Allen - Camden Council Kevin Cotter - Education - Schools Security.

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- Apologies: Chris Patterson, Jai Rowell, Judith Hannan, Luke Johnson, Sharon Hartnett, Rob Moran, Lara Symkowiak, Theresa Fedeli, Michelle Kramer, Ron Moore, Tom Allen, Maria Sapienza, Phil Costa, Robyn Hill, Mike Smith, Amy Wilson, Josephine Luna, Doug Cotton, John Siemon, Ally Dench, Brad Hannigan. Jacky Moore, Pania Gregson.
- **Welcome:** A/Inspector Dale Abbott Duty Officer Customer Service.

#### Agenda Items:

#### Minutes of Previous Meeting: Tabled, Moved and Seconded

Previous minutes tabled, moved by Stephanie Tate, Australian Botanical Gardens and seconded by Kevin Cotter, Schools Security.

#### The Oaks Sector Overview - Acting Inspector Dale Abbott

Presentation regarding The Oaks sector.

Once a week we roster two officers to patrol The Oaks Sector, usually our Lock up Keeper LSC Simon Jones will be rostered on with one other officer to patrol The Oaks and surrounding areas as well as engage with locals and shop keepers and business inspections during their rostered shift, which includes licensed premises, schools and local business. Patrolling hot spot locations.

Year to Date the following crimes have been reported;

Assault including DV	48
Mal Damage	17
Stealing	13
Stolen Vehicles (including trail bikes)	11
Break, Enter and Steal	6

Police message to the community, to lock cars and houses, and for local council to promote safe house keeping, Council are advising this on their face book page.

Question from the floor- Debbie Dewberry- Who is committing the crimes? Is it locals.

**Police response** – DV and mal damage usually locals. Break and enters and stolen vehicles (trailbikes) usually not locals.

#### Crime Coordinator Presentation

Sergeant Gornall

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Crime Management Unit in review.

The team has had a proactive year to date, achieving positive results with our Operations that all the CMU team participate in monthly. Collectively the team has completed 3 Operations and have attended Narellan Town Centre to assist with the anti-social behaviour that was occurring in and around the Centre and have issued all outstanding banning notices in this time.

The Domestic Violence Team has achieved great results with many arrests to date along with a significant number of AVO compliance checks.

Our Licenced premises have been inspected on a regular basis to ensure they are complying with their Liquor Licence.

Overall Sergeant Gornall was very happy with the way the team has performed to date.

## Crime Manager Presentation

### A/Detective Inspector Erryn Williams. (Investigations Manager)

Discussed the role of the Investigations manager, the investigations process, Police follow ups with victims and offenders, along with the following points.

- Domestic Violence high demands.
- Encouraging the community to report domestic violence and the importance of police receiving and acting on the reports.
- Domestic Violence support services.
- The importance of police conducting victim follow ups.
- Increases in police numbers over the previous six months.
- Child Protection Register, looking at a standalone position into the future.
- License premises patrols, working with Licensees.
- Ensuring Licensees are working as per their License agreements.
- Fraud reports are increasing. Due to social media.
- Breaking and interrupting the behaviour of domestic violence offenders is a priority for the command.

Question from the floor- Is domestic violence increasing.

**Response-** general increase – due to population increase, culture change, people speaking out, police take this very seriously. Strong encouragement to report domestic violence.

**Question from the floor-** How does our domestic violence statistics compare to the city.

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**Response-** We are on average; however the number of reported incidents has been increasing in line with the large amount of population growth moving into the new suburbs.

**Sergeant Gornall -** Oran Park, Gregory Hills, have young families, that may have financial issues, which at times turn into domestic violence incidents due to stress.

#### Crime Prevention Officer Presentation

#### Senior Constable Louden

Discussed the importance of police working with the community. Continued checks/audit of the CCTV cameras at businesses in the local area, along with the following points.

- Cyber safety talks 35 in 2018, delivering the message to our youth.
- Education strategies regarding social media.
- Police face book page Suspect identification is 62% success rate to date, requesting assistance from the community.
- Business Safety Audits reactive and proactive, high quality CCTV footage systems are worth the investment.
- Current crime trends Display homes being broken into.
- Community Engagements Crime prevention strategies, engaging via face book, receiving on line notifications.
- Building resilience in our youth allowing them to grow, make decisions, learning from mistakes.
- Community awareness of Domestic Violence presentations to schools starting from years 5 and 6.
- Delivery of the 'Ask For Angela', presentations to Liquor Accords in Camden and Wollondilly and promoting the strategy to the wider community that help is available in licensed premises should someone be feeling unsafe or vulnerable.

## Command Update

#### Superintendent Ward Hanson

Camden PAC Compass Summary put on projector and all present given an overview of Camden PAC Crime statistics to date.

Discussed the following points-

- Liquor accord meetings.
- Camden have 2 Hotels on the most violent venues list, due to acts of violence occurring within the hotels.
- Camden currently have 117 allocated positions, and we are currently at 115.8. and we are to receive one probationary constable next month.

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- 10 officers down currently due to different reasons, including sick, maternity, long service etc.
- \$3000 over budget.
- We currently have a stable work load.
- We are always looking for new strategies to fight and deal with crime.

White Ribbon Breakfast - Wednesday the  $5^{th}$  of December 2018. Camden Civic centre.

Next year's meeting dates- 4/4/2019, 8/8/2019, 28/11/2019.

# General Business / Open Discussion and Questions from the Floor. Comment-

**Tom- Camden Council,** commented on how Camden Police (Mick Tanner, Mark Scambary, and Greg Louden) have been working very well with Michelle Kramer, and he would like to thank Camden Police for all the support given to council.

CLOSED: 12.20pm

Next Meeting 04/04/2019 @ 10am

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