



Minutes of Meeting

2nd November 2017

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
Senior Constable Georgie Israel	NSW Police Force	Youth Liaison Officer
Louise Kinchela	NSW Police Force	Administrative Support
Mary Lynne Pidcock	South Sydney Business Chamber	President
Michael Shreenan	Counterpoint Community Services	Executive Officer
Lyn Taylor	ARAG	Resident
Judy Pearson	Drug Health Services - SLHD	Manager
Lydia Smithers	Office of Jenny Leong MP	Senior Electorate Officer
Rachael Mulley	SLHD	Eastern Sector Community Mgr
Kristian Reyes	Youthblock	HEO
Rene McKenzie-Low	City West Housing	Community Engagement Mgr
Sam Ngui	City West Housing	Tenancy Services Manager
Lance Kittscha	FACS	Antisocial Behavioural Specialist
Geoff Turnbull	REDWatch/ISRCO	Coordinator/Member
Jennifer Sams	REDWatch	Secretary
Ashan Ponniah	Community Corrections	Leichhardt
Jo Shulman	Redfern Legal Centre	Project Manager
Rachel Ryan	City of Sydney	Adviser to DLM
Allister Brockley	City of Sydney	Project Manager
Sage Saegenschnitter	City of Sydney	Area Manager
Christopher Blackwell	Waterloo Tenant Rep	Tenant - Waterloo
Gary Moylan	Waterloo Tenant Rep	Tenant - Waterloo
Anita Faber	Redfern Tenant	Resident
David Belic	St George Community Housing	Place Co-Ordinator
Lorraine Wilding	Redfern Tenant Rep	Resident
Brian Smith	Resident – The Block	Resident
Kelly-Anne Byrne	Redfern Tenant	Resident

1. INTRODUCTION

A/Superintendent Despa Fitzgerald

- Apologies from Superintendent Freudenstein who is on Annual Leave
- NSW Police is going through a Re-Engineering process. Redfern Local Area Command will continue to stand alone and not amalgamate. A good outcome for the Command
- The NSW Police Central Met Region Assistant Commissioner is Mark Walton who was a past Commander at Redfern
- Staffing increase in our Domestic Violence Unit
- Proactive Unit will merge with the Drug Unit to target the drug activity in the area. Redfern No1 in the state for Heroin detection, 3rd for Methylamphetamine (ICE) and Cocaine. Redfern Strike Force successful with multiple supply charges. Information from community through Crime Stoppers is extremely valued by police.
- Robberies committed by Youth – some offenders are from out of our area
- Police held meeting with the Settlement, PCYC and the Fact Tree to discuss strategies for youth offenders. The Settlement has a Youth basketball team that requires sponsorship to compete at the NCIE
- Operation Cobblestone successful - Tasking with High Visibility Patrols around the main business areas deters anti-social behaviour, drug and alcohol use and retail theft
- Operation Prevent continuing with patrols around NSW Department of Housing properties
- Redfern Local Area Command received the NSW Police Mystery Shopper Award for Excellent Customer Service
- Miranda Program – A service in Chippendale will support women engaged in the Justice System and assist in their transition into the community. Miranda Program are recruiting an Aboriginal Caseworker
- Never Going Back program is in the process of extending the program to female inmates
- A/Superintendent Fitzgerald has been invited to join the Corrective Services Woman's Advisory Council.

2. APOLOGIES /CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Apologies from:

Karen Levin
Kayleen Smith
Desley Haas
Lafo Titmuss
Francis Tracey
Kristina Karasulas
Nigel Carrington

Previous Minutes Confirmed

1st – Lance Kittscha
2nd – Kelly-Anne Byrne



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3. OUTSTANDING ACTIONS

Senior Constable Maria Flood

1. Traffic Plan – Urban Growth

Urban Growth unavailable. Will keep traffic on the agenda. Geoff Turnbull advised there is a traffic plan but it isn't available to public.

2. Hugo Street Parking (The Block) – City of Sydney

Resident advised is improving. Concerns about Aboriginal Housing Company Development

3. Fraud/Gumtree Fraud

All cases are looked at locally. Reports are on the increase. Ongoing public awareness and education.

4. Small Business Forum (Karen Levin)

Will be re visited in the new year by Police. Awaiting List of interested businesses-SSBC

5. Postal Delivery – Police

Met with Australia Post. Continue to make aware and ongoing provision of training to staff and to liaise with Police on strategies for what can be done better – proposed Police talks to staff.

6. Department of Education – Youth Liaison Officer

To follow up with inviting staff to meeting

7. Youthblock

Kristian has been employed with Youthblock for six years prior to the Manager Position. Pamphlets distributed. The service offers free Nursing and Medical Services, Needle Syringe Program, Counselling, registered Work Development Organisation, Health promotion and referrals. Happy to do Outreach Work.

8. Green Square Strata Network Meeting

Senior Constable Maria Flood attended a local Strata Network Meeting. Full Crime Prevention/Safety presentation. Promotional information being filtered through to residents.

**4. CRIME REVIEW
Sasko Bosevski**

- Provided full crime review of Redfern Local Area Command Statistics
- Breakdown of crime statistics across all suburbs within the Command

**5. YOUTH LIAISON OFFICER
Senior Constable Georgie Israel**

- Presentation to members
- Work Experience for Yr. 10 students will be done 21-25th November
- A need to engage with Youth who are suspended from school
- Not all youth are connected to support Services

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

- Presentation to members
- Redfern LAC is a rapidly developing area.
- Number of applications for footpath use (small bar/restaurant etc.
- Many Licensing applications coming through

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

Geoff Turnbull – REDWatch – Inner Sydney Voice Magazine has a special edition on Waterloo Public Housing Redevelopment. Publication has been well received. Systemic problems need to be identified. High needs tenants need sufficient support services. Encourages Police to keep traffic and disaster management on their agendas (with this project). Gentrification has pushed out Aboriginal families. Hope to see viable Aboriginal community.

Michael Shreenan – Counterpoint. Attended Health Forum at NCIE. New Health Worker. Concerned about drinkers at Poets Corner. Two events, Redfern Neighbourhood Day 27th Nov 2017 at Poets Corner and Summer on the Green 2nd Feb 2018 at Waterloo Green. Ongoing issues still not resolved at 125 George St Redfern - has been raised several times with different agencies. Agencies need to be more creative/proactive in addressing the concerns. A tenancy issues. No concierge. Some tenants allowing others in. Requires joint operation with services and tenants.

Redfern Police advised they are aware and liaising with residents and agencies, spending a lot of resources, responding, conducting various operations including PREVENT, attending with agencies removing unauthorised persons and HNSW issuing Banning Notices.

Judy Pearson – Drug Health. Nurse Practitioner available at Youthblock and Weave. Andrea Stone, specialist in Drug Health is also available. Event I Waterloo was a lovely event-annual event held during Mental Health Month. Lots of creative and talented young people attended.

Lyn Taylor – Alexandria Resident. Waiting for signage in Copeland Lane to address traffic concerns.

Alistair Brockley – City of Sydney. Safety audit completed. Feedback will be given at next meeting.

Christopher Blackwell – Tenant Waterloo

Thanked Redfern Police for addressing the anti-social behaviour on Cope & Raglan Street, Waterloo. Significant decrease.

Ashan Ponniah – Community Corrections. Will have increased staffing. Sentencing reforms next year. More action for Domestic Violence Offenders - prison or orders. Will be a rise in home detention. Continuing Case Management to reduce re offending. Connecting more with services.

David Belic – St George Community Housing. No Managing all 41 Morehead Street. Some positive progress.

Mary Lynne Pidcock – Business Chambers Forming alliance. Reduction in funding. Taking an advocacy role, identifying events, cutting down on duplication. Conjugate between Government & Business- what are issues and what do they need. Asked if local businesses been contacted regarding Re development of the area? Member suggested SSBC to get involved and have a voice in Re Development.

Gary Moylen - Pleasing to see quick response from Redfern Police when called for assistance. Would like issues to be addressed by Police and housing for 125 George St. Some services passing the buck. FACS Representative offered to discuss the matter further after the meeting

Anita Faber – Much quieter over the last 4 months. Less drinkers – thanked Police

Sage Saegenschmitter – Green Square Strata Network. Provide Strata Workshops, give a space for people to troubleshoot.

Deadly Funny – Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander National Comedy Competition -Thurs 9 November, at Redfern Community Centre. Grandparents Day 4 November. Family Culture Day 7 November.

Lydia Smithers – Suggestion to contact the Ministers Office for a traffic plan. PCYC has received funding Holistic approach needed for addressing issues with 125 George St.

Rene McKenzie-Low - Income limits have been raised for eligibility for renting properties with City West Housing Tenants need to work in the Local Government Area. 1,2, and 3-bedroom properties. Affordable Housing Scheme.

Brian Smith – Vine St parking mainly students.

Jo Shulman – Redfern Legal Service has free services. Offers training to agencies. Have high demand from International students. Can see diversity of cultures coming into the area.

Senior Constable Maria Flood – Provided variety of Crime Prevention material/information booklets/flyers

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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 – Redfern Command – Urban Growth
2. Suspended Youth - Department of Education
3. Youthblock – new Manager starting in 2018 to be invited to meetings - SLHD
4. 125 George Street Redfern – HNSW update
5. 41 Morehead Street, Redfern – St George Community Housing update
6. Street Drinkers – Poets Corner/Waterloo Green
7. Small Business Forum – Karen Levin (Business seeking inclusion)

Meeting concluded: 11.30pm

2018 Meetings

Thursday 1st February 2018

Thursday 3rd May 2018

Thursday 2nd August 2018

Thursday 1st November 2018



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