

Camden Local Area Command Community Safety Precinct Committee Meeting

Minutes 24 August 2017

Facilitator: A/Inspector Dale ABBOTT – Duty Officer Customer Service Officer

Attendees:

Superintendant Hanson - Camden Police, D/Inspector Doherty Camden - Police, A/Inspector Abbott - Camden Police, Sgt Gornall – Camden Police, S/C Blackmore - Camden Police, Senior Constable Louden - Camden Police, Karyn Thorpe - Camden Police (Minutes), Chris Patterson MP office , Ally Dench – Wollondilly Shire Council, Val Moskvitch – Seniors Issues Group, Michelle Kramer – Camden Council, Josephine Roccisano –Greenfields Development company Oran Park, Ron Moore – Camden Council, Jacky Moore – Lifeline Macarthur, Brad Page – Narellan Town Centre, Lyndy Clowry – Elizabeth Macarthur High School, Graeme Begley Camden Police Rural Crime Officer, Donna McLaren – Camden High School. Lara Symkowiak Camden Mayor.

Apologies:

Wollondilly Shire Council Mayor Judith Hannan, Wollondilly Shire Council General Manager Luke Johnson, Member for Wollondilly Jai Rowell, Coutts Solicitors & Conveyancers Adriana Care, Tahmoor Town Centre Manager Amber Archer.

Welcome: A/Inspector Dale Abbott – Duty Officer Customer Service Officer

Agenda Items:

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Tabled A/Insp Dale Abbott, Moved by Val Meskvitch Seconded by S/C Greg Louden

2. Crime Manager Presentation – DV SAMS – D/Inspector Jayne Doherty Welcomed committee members to the meeting.

Explained DV SAMS which are Safety Action Meetings that have been implemented across the state as part of the NSW Governments, 'It stops here,' domestic and family violence framework for Reform. The program originated in the UK and consists of fortnightly safety action meetings being held and attended by Police, Corrective Services, Health, Department

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of Education, Department of Housing and service programs in an effort to facilitate information sharing between service providers in order to prevent or lessen serious threats to life, health or safety of domestic violence victims and their children. These meetings are chaired by a local Crime Manager from either Camden, Macquarie Fields or Campbelltown LAC. Discussed how victims are identified.

Certain actions are allocated as per discussions during the meetings.

The greatest number of calls for Domestic Violence is traditionally a crime that people don't like to talk about. NSW Police have started a, 'No Innocent Bystanders' campaign – Slide Show Shown to all in attendance of CSPCM. This will be shown on national television.

Domestic Violence victims are also stalked by their mobile phones; also have great results from our newly created Domestic Violence team.

Question Jackie from lifeline - offer aware and training for community members at lifeline. MP Chris Patterson mentioned showing the DV Slide show at the upcoming DV Breakfast on 6th December 2017.

Sgt Gornall - 45 Charges (dv related), 3 Officers doing the arrest, 137 compliance checks, 11 warrants issued, 49 AVO charges served issue court papers. With this new DV team, General Duties officers can deal with all other crime issues.

Davina Smith – Turning Point Camden – all women can use their building for use of phones, services, support, plus community supply food.

3. Rural Crime Officer – Detective S/C Begley

Rural area is slowly getting smaller due to the building growth with all new sub-divides (estate) going up. Rural officer deals with incident of crime those impact rural areas, only two rural crime officers in the metro area, D/S/C Begley Camden LAC and Hawkesbury LAC D/S/C Beck Clark. Rural Officer Liaisons with National Parks, Vets, Councils plus many more agencies, just had a 3 Day operation in the Sydney catchment area with police and other agencies. Plan it the RCI to reduce crime, monitor sale yards for stock that is coming and going, rural break & enter. Rural trespassing. Plus any live stock on road way like cows, goats, we have had many issues with goats on the freeways.

4. A/Insp Abbott – Duty Officer Customer Service.

Slide Show shown – in relation to The Oaks. More coverage out at The Oaks, 1 day a week, Two Officers rostered on for a 12 hour Shift, patrolling the community, school, plus business inspections, RBT, plus showing police presents to the community.

The Oaks Sector

RBT – 373
PCA – 1, School Patrol (Inspections) 14
Person Searches – 8, Person Arrested – 2
Vehicle Searches – 4, License Premises - 14
B&E – 8, Stealing – 6
Mal Damage – 12, Traffic Offence -146
Business Inspections – 30

Any questions: Ally Dench, comment was on the Police presence at The Oaks and Wollondilly area, just thanking police for a good job.

5. Crime Prevention Officer Presentation - Crime & Soft target (target hardening) by S/C Greg Louden.

Revised 'Digital safety and responsibility' presentation discussed. This PowerPoint is presented to schools as part of Police Safety Talks.

Crime Manager Insp Doherty and Crime Prevention Officer Sen Cst Louden will be attending builders meeting today at Oran Park re: building site thefts.

Emergency app discussed – Cst Louden encourages everyone to download this useful app.

Safety Inspections are regularly conducted by Sen Cst Louden aimed at 'soft targets'. Sen Cst Louden encouraged committee members to inform him of any known soft targets.

Explained how poor quality/incorrectly angled CCTV cameras are at the detriment to business owners.

Discussed how new SOPS are being put in place in relation to CCTV photos that Police upload to facebook in order to identify offenders.

Command is growing at rapid rate, Crime Prevention trailer to be used around the Camden LAC, new section of Narellan Town Centre are getting more people into the centre. **Slide Show shown**.

Need to have permission to show slide show from all schools in the area.

Questions/Answer; Sgt Gornall Dealing with a lot of schools issues, home, cyber crime, for example Calculate App which has a secret app where you enter 1234% and this is where the kids are hiding photos and other stuff, parents are not aware or don't know about this second calculate app on their phone.

Principle Forum is coming up on 24th October 2017

Parents need to be educated about cyber issues.

Narellan Town Centre will advertise DV and Cyber Bullying information on TV monitors around the centre.

Need to deliver and educate the community, at community engagements about access to homes, community parks to make sure safety assessments have been completed.

Camden LAC facebook page working very well, have had offenders contact station asking for the pictures to be removed.

External relationships with Centre Managements, Retail Owners, Councils, Retirement Villages and charities working well.

Cyber Crime is a big issue in schools, need to educate our youth, parents/carers, teachers and communities.

On-Line Bullying – Schools, businesses, homes, Domestic Violence, online Texting. **Slide Show Shown – Cyber Crime**

6. Command Update - Supt Ward Hanson

Introduced A/Inspector Dale Abbott Duty officer who is relieving as our Customer Service Duty Officer.

Discussed recent industrial action led by the Police Association. As a result the Police Minister approved the transfer of 10 positions to Camden LAC. As a result 10 additional GD's positions were created, 3 were used for a Domestic Violence Arrest Team with 5 day coverage and we are now able to roster custody officer 24 hrs a day.

Camden LAC recently allocated a second Domestic Violence Liaison Officer.

Significant percentage of our DV offences are occurring in Gregory Hills, Oran Park, Spring Farm, due to financial stress, marriage break downs.

Court Lists are getting larger, plus court is considering adding a court day as a standalone DV day for all DV Matters.

New Commissioner announced re-engineering of the NSW Police Force, possibly some commands might merge with other commands, not sure how many or who at this stage. A Re-Engineering Task Force has been established. WOSP model indicates Camden should have more than the 10 additional positions it has been allocated and it is advised that this is only an interim measure until the re-engineering is completed.

Command did slide show on review of crime in the area.

Strength 107 – Police Officers

2 New Probationary Constable last Friday 18/8/2017

Now have custody Officer 24, 7 x 2 covering AM/PM shift

3 x GD Vacant

3 x Restricted Duties Officers

4 x Long Term Sick leave

90% operational bench mark – currently about 80% considering the above vacancies and absences.

Budget Allocated to command. 2 mths in financial year – expenditure on track.

Narellan Police Station Open Day 14th October 2017 will be very well supported.

Camden LAC DV Breakfast on 6th December 2017 at the Camden Civic Centre.

7. General Business / Open Discussion and Questions from the floor.

Ally Dench (Director Wollondilly Council) - Thanking the Command for all the work and involvement in the Picton Area.

Brad Page (Ctr Mgr, Narellan Town Ctr) – Just mentioned the increase in traffic through the Narellan Town Centre since the old and new section has now joined up. He said that approximately 11 million people through the centre per year and approximately btn 20,000 & 30,000 per day.

Jacky Moore (Community Links) - Asked for the figures for mental health suicide. About one a quarter. Several attempts and concerns for welfare.

Chris Patterson (Camden MP) - Mentioned that he only received one complaint from a community member about the way police had spoken to them. No other issues.

Josephine (Oran Park Town) – Ask if she could have some domestic violence information and cards to add their welcome packs they offer to residents when they move or buy in the estate. Facilitated by DVLO Blackmore and DV Committee.

Michelle Kramer (CN Road Safety Officer) & Lara Symkowiak (CN Mayor) – Just making comments thanking the police for all the work and presence in the area.

Davina Smith (Food Pantry) - Just mentioned there is a lot of relationship break downs due to the growth of the Camden area, funding is down and the community need to keep bring food into centre.

Keith Maddock (Camden Lions) – Just noticed an increased volume of Traffic around the Netball Courts, for example, parking in No Standing Zones, Netball Courts closed down finally in about month as they are moving to the New Sports Hub at Narellan.

Donna McLaren (Deputy Principal Camden H.S.) – Thanking all staff at Narellan Police Station for their response times and management of issues at Camden High School. Also stated school is not just 9am to 3pm now, teachers and staff members and now starting to work 7am to 6pm as students are doing in house courses at school.

Meeting adjourned for lunch: 12.49pm

Next Meeting: 30 November 2017