

St George Local Area Command Community Safety Precinct Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday 11th July 2019

TIME COMMENCED: 1.30PM

Minutes: S/Cst Krcalovic

Welcome and Chaired by Superintendent Julian Griffiths, St George Police Area Command.

1. Present and apologies

PRESENT:

Name	Organisation	Contact	Email
Superintendent Julian Griffiths	NSWPF	8566 7499	
Crime Manager Robert Allison	NSWPF	8566 7499	
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S/Sgt Trent Hill PCT	NSWPF		
Justin Cordi	Office of Mark Coure MP		
Joshua Saege	Georges River Council		

Reginald Da Lapa Soares	Board Member of Advance Diversity Services/Community leader		
Jane Pollard	Coordinator at GRC		
Lala Noronha	Kogarah Storehouse		
Mikall Chong			
George Perivolarellis	Steve Kamper MP		
Debbie Manning	Dept of Human Services		
Connie Alifano	Lugarno Community Member		
Nicholas Christo	Christo Architects		
Divesh Narayan	Dept of Human Services		
Glen McKeachie	Bayside Council		
Michael Azzi	Bayside Council		
Michael Spring	Lugarno Progress Association		
Meghan Cochrane	Project Youth		
Julie Dimevski	Centre manager – Westfield Hurstville		

Kurt Simeon	Security Supervisor – Westfield Hurstville		
Danny Robinson	St George Leagues Club		
Ruth	DHS		
Raafi	Advance Diversity Services		
Caroline Tumeth	3Bridges		
Patrick James	Community Leader		

APOLOGIES:

Stephen Williamson	Safety Officer, Bayside Council
Clara Kelleher	DSA
Angela Zhang	AWATW
Lyn Humphreys	Oatley Hotel Licensee
Patrick Medway	Bexley Chamber of Commerce
Hon Linda Burney MP	
Ernest Yung	CASS Group
Stephen Bible	Connells Point Progress Association
Moussa Chahine	Al Zahra Mosque
Nancy Liu	Georges River Council

2. AMENDMENTS TO MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING/ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Nil.

3. OUTSTANDING ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

Nil actions

ACTION	TASKED TO	RESULT

4. WELCOME & COMMANDER'S REPORT

Superintendent Julian Griffiths welcomed everyone and opened the meeting.

5. APOLOGIES

Senior Constable Krcalovic advised of apologies from today's meeting

6. OVERVIEW OF CURRENT CRIME TRENDS

Discussed by D/Insp Robert Allison for the period of 1st March to 31st May 2019

Break and Enter Dwelling

- Hurstville / Wolli Creek and Beverley Hills
- Currency the most common proceeds followed by wrist watches / rings.
- Portable / small equipment laptops / wallets / handbags
- Mountain bikes / appliances proceeds from offences in Wolli Creek which were garage / storage areas

Break and Enter Non-Dwelling

- Hurstville, Kogarah and Peakhurst were locations where offences were more prevalent.
- Days / times where offences were more common were Thursdays between 3pm and 6pm and Sunday (bet.3pm and 9pm).
- Premises particularly targeted in this period were schools, churches, building sites and sports ground facilities.
- Proceeds of offences were mainly cash / currency, computer equipment and cash registers. 44% of reported offences had an MO of forced lock / jemmied and 18% involved windows being smashed.

Assault (Alcohol Related Non DV)

- Over this current reporting period Hurstville, Kogarah and Peakhurst were the locations recording most offences with Sundays between 3pm and 9pm the most common reported period followed by Thursdays to Saturdays between 12pm and 3pm.
- Outdoor / public place followed by residential and commercial / business were the places where most offences were alleged to have occurred. Personal Violence was the most prominent associated factor.
- Alcohol related assaults continue to be reported in reduced numbers with offences alleged to have occurred at licensed premises accounting for 9 reported offences in this period and alcohol linked as an associated factor in only 38 matters.
- Where alcohol is a factor, Hurstville, Rockdale and Wollli Creek were the prominent areas and 9pm to 3am on Saturday / Sunday the most frequent time and day.

Robbery

- Wollli Creek and Hurstville were areas where the majority of offences were reported.
- Time frames which were most common for offences being reported were Monday (bet. 6pm and 9pm), Saturday (bet. 6pm and 9pm) and Friday (bet. 9pm and 12am). 7 of the 19 offences were possibly linked to offenders entering or leaving public transport areas (Wollli Creek, Kogarah, Rockdale, Mortdale and Hurstville).
- Reported offences occurred predominantly in outdoor / public places with the footpath and road being the most common areas.
- Business / commercial premises was the next prevalent location with soft targets (Service station and general store) the most frequent business locations.
- Robbery by physical force / intimidation were the most frequently reported MO followed by knives / hard object.
- Whilst there were reported threats of being in possession of a firearm in some offences, a firearm was not produced in any of the reported matters over the period.
- Cash / currency and mobile phones were the most common proceeds of offences.

Steal from Motor Vehicle

- Campsie PAC is also experiencing upward trends in this crime type albeit not at the same levels. This would appear to be consistent with an increase in reported offences in areas along the two commands boundaries.
- Analysis of these results would suggest the opportunistic offences have been replaced with forced entry / stealing of number plates.
- Hurstville, Riverwood and Bexley were areas more prone to these offences. Thursday and Sunday (bet.6pm and 9pm) were time / days where a pattern is identified.
- Proceeds of these offences identified an increase in number plates which accounted for 20% of property stolen, cash / coins (17%), personal items (13%) and credit cards (7%). Number plates stolen were only used again (FTP offences) on 2 occasions. Credit cards stolen were used in subsequent frauds with retail outlets / service stations in the PAC and metropolitan area and for online activity.
- At least 25% of offences reported would appear through MO to have been committed on unlocked / unsecured vehicles.
- Initiatives implemented so people are not victims of Steal from motor vehicle: Posting on St George Facebook page
- Liaison with Georges River Council for an alert to be posted in their quarterly magazine (May 2019)

Stolen Vehicles

- Over the current reporting period 88% of the reported offences related to stolen vehicles or trailers and 12% related to motorcycles.
- Overall 66% of motor vehicles stolen are not recovered which is attributable to an element or organisation / targeting theft. Toyota Hi-Lux utilities and SUV, together with Nissan and Mitsubishi SUV were particularly targeted and largely include vehicles not recovered.
- In this period Hurstville, Rockdale and Sans Souci were locations subject to more offences and Thursday, Friday and Saturday (bet.9pm and 12am) and Saturday (bet. 6pm and 12am) were noted time / date patterns.
- Of the stolen vehicles recovered, the majority are located in the PAC or in suburbs within the immediate vicinity with the exception being a Ford Mustang stolen from Sans Souci (being located in Kempsey) and an Audi located in Gordon.
- Legal action rate for this offence category has been maintained between 10-12% and finished the year at 10% which is consistent with CMR averages. Notable disruption activity in this reporting period has been the arrest of known offenders.

Malicious Damage

- Hurstville, Kogarah and Rockdale most popular areas

Drug Detections

- Wolli Creek, Penshurst, Kogarah, Rockdale, Hurstville & Riverwood
- Cannabis, amphetamine, ICE – increase in detection of heroin, people in the area looking for heroin.
- SCC active in the area – arrests last week Wolli Creek and Hurstville – commercial importation of methamphetamine – 500 kgs intercepted being imported.
- Hydroponics – continue to be located this morning residence at Narwee.
- Residences at Kingsgrove and Kogarah – 220 cannabis plants.

Drug Supply

- 163 compass incidents
- 96 incidents with Legal Action Rate (LAR)
- 58.90% LAR
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- Carruthers Street, Penshurst – ongoing issues subject of search warrants – methamphetamine located – charged ongoing supply

Fatal / Serious MVA's

- Rockdale, Hurstville, Kogarah and Bexley most prevalent with Kings Georges Road the major road for collisions.
- Major arterial roads.
- Tuesday and afternoons between 12pm and 3pm the peak times.

Operation Mammoth

- 55 police from PAC, HWP, Mounted Unit, Dog Unit, Police Transport Command – 16 May
- Saturation of Hurstville, Rockdale – disruption exercise.
- 3 arrests – drugs / violence offences

- 560 random breath tests – 88 interventions with people, 18 checks of potential offenders – bail/AVO/ CPR
- 37 traffic infringements issues
- Next one scheduled for August – areas prone to offences, ongoing commitment to same.

7. St George Proactive Crime Team

Presented by S/Sgt Trent Hill

- **Discussed the role of Proactive Crime Team (PCT)**
 - Investigation of high-volume local crime (Steal from motor vehicle, Steal motor vehicles, Break and Enter)
 - Investigation of high-volume property offenders
 - High visibility policing in PAC hot spots
 - Rapid response to emerging issues identified by the Crime Management Unit
 - Bail compliance
 - STMP targets
 - Forensic identification
 - Pawn brokers and second-hand dealers' investigation and enforcement
 - Investigation of parolee's
 - Investigation of recent releasee's
 - Firearms and Weapon prohibition orders
 - Street level drug operations
 - Low level-controlled operations

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Mikall Chong providing positive feedback “Police are doing great work” but even when the driver is charged and went to court, they will receive a ‘slap on the wrist’ receiving a community service and couple of hundreds of dollars penalty. The judges are not following the sentencing term. It is very annoying when someone is overtaking from the left and if we bip the horn, they are giving us their middle finger.

9. OUTSTANDING ACTIONS:

ACTION	TASKED TO	RESULT
Send Email to Mr Chong with DashCam Facebook page and 'give way' rule	S/Cst Krcalovic	Email sent on Tuesday 16 th July 2019

10. CLOSE OF MEETING: 2.30pm

11. NEXT MEETING: To be advised.