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# Camden Patrol Area Command Community Safety Precinct Committee Meeting

## MINUTES

5<sup>th</sup> April, 2018

**Facilitator:** Sergeant Gornall

**Attendees:** Superintendent Ward Hanson – Camden PAC, D/Inspector Jayne Doherty – Camden PAC, Inspector Paul Fryer – Camden PAC. Sergeant Phil Gornall – Camden PAC, Senior Constable Greg Loudon – Camden PAC, Kim Gomes – Camden PAC (minutes), Debby Dewbery – o/b Member for Camden, Theresa Fedeli – Councilor Camden Council, Val Moskvitch – Camden Seniors, Trish Hill - , Brad Page – Narellan Town Centre, Stephanie Tate – Australian Botanical Gardens, Keith Maddock – Camden Lions Club & Camden Show Society, Josphephine Roccisano – Manager Greenfields Development Company, Michelle Kramer – Camden Council, Robyn & Bob Clayton – Tahmoor Chamber of Commerce, Ally Dench – Executive Director, Wollondilly Shire Council

**Apologies:** Jai Rowell - Member for Wollondilly, Chris Patterson – Member for Camden, Lara Symkowiak – Mayor Camden Council, Ron Moore – General Manager Camden Council, John Siemon – Mount Annan Botanic Gardens, Jacky Moore – Executive Manager Lifeline Macarthur

**Welcome:** Sergeant Phil Gornall – Crime Co-ordinator Camden PAC

### Agenda Items:

**1. Minutes of Previous Meeting: Tabled, Moved and Seconded**

Meetings open at 10am by Sergent Gornall. Previous minutes tabled, moved by Val Moskvitch and seconded by Stephanie Tate

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## 2. Crime Coordinator presentation - Sergeant Gornall

- **Operation MERRIT** - Discussion on the number of fatalities this year
- Video shown on Operation MERIT
- Discussion on what Operation MERRIT is targeting – Speed, Mobile Phones etc.. A high profile program that will be running until late May.
- Domestic Violence - educating the community in these matters and the importance of reporting matters to police.
- Upcoming community engagements 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2018 at the Sporting Club, Netball Club, Narellan with police from Camden DV team and Wollondilly Community DV Team this will co-occur with White Ribbon Day.
- **Q;** Are majority of Domestic repeat Offenders ?? There is constant talk about more money for homeless women as a result of domestic violence.
- **A:** No, there are not a large number of repeat offenders, a program is currently in place “**Staying at home, leaving violence**” program that is currently funded by the Government and can be accessed by person/s affected.
- Further Domestic Violence matters discussed, follow ups and compliance checks etc.... answered by D/Insp. Doherty and Sergeant Gornall
- Information on the mergers of the organisation, being Campbelltown and Macquarie Fields

## 3. Crime Manager presentation – D/Insp Jayne Doherty

- Discussion on Crime statistics for the last 2 years – BOSCAR (print outs provided), Camden PAC is moving well. There has been decreases in Domestic Assaults, Break & Enter to dwellings.
- Business Targets for the Command is on par – Breach AVO’s action taken is 79% we are currently running at 89.3% well above our target. Using DVEC system assists with this result.
- Discussion about the DVEC (Domestic Violence Evidence in Chief) system and the recording of victim statements at the scene of the incident. Difference between body worn video recorder and the procedures used with DVEC system.
- Rollout of the Body worn video recorder should be implemented by the end of the year
- Proactive Team doing walk throughs in Licenced premises within the Command advising and educating staff and security on what is expected from a police point of view.

## 4. Crime Prevention Officer Presentation –Safety Audits, Community resilience and CCTV by Senior Constable Greg Loudon

- Crime prevention presentation – Reporting of Crime
- Discussion in relation to changing the way people report crime speaking to the community and local businesses and the continued support we receive, especially from Camden & Wollondilly Councils and the newsletter that is produced from the Oran Park Podium.
- Continued checks/audit of the CCTV cameras at businesses in the local area and a discussion on how many of those businesses in the CBD of Camden and Picton have CCTV footage that is focused on the outside/footpath area.

- S/Const Loudon to do a Community Safety audit, doing a walk through the CBD of Camden and Picton in relation to the CCTV cameras etc.... and present the figures at next meeting.
- **Building Resilience in our Youth** – Talks in relation to the dangers of mobile phones and parents to lead by example, prepare their children to be resilient.’
- **Cyber Safety Talks** – 85 different discussions with children and parents from different year groups and schools have been completed thus far, looking at “On line bullying” the definition and education. “On line sexting”, the dangers of, parents to educate their children. Several more community engagements booked in.

#### 5. **Command Operations – by Commander A/Supt Paul Fryer.**

- Introduction and explaining his role in the Patrol Area Command as the Operations Duty Officer.
- Discussion on Major Events that have occurred in the Camden area of recent months.
- **Camden Show** – over 40,000 people attended the show over the weekend approx.. 50 police were provided, exhibits, patrols, licencing and traffic. No real issues were detected, 1 person charged with assault.
- **Secret Garden** - over 5,000 people attend this event over the weekend, it has caused a great deal of concern for Police over the years, it is a licenced premises and live music venue with patrons camping at event for the weekend. 200 people were searched with 40 detections being 2 major and 23 persons put before the court. Random breath and drug testing was also conducted when person/s were leaving the event, rain hindered this a little. This event demands a large number of our resources which depletes our day to day commitments within the patrol. We use approx. 16 user pay shifts each day which are then supported by police from different areas within the command.

#### 6. **Command Updates - by Superintendent Ward Hanson.**

- Discussion on the re-engineering of the Police Force and what impact it may have on our area.
- Increase in our funding and staff, we will receive a further 10 new staff members on top of the extra 10 already allocated, this should occur by the end of July and 2 new Probationary Constables at the end of April and 1 public servant position.
- New Region Commander to be appointed and should be announced by our Region meeting at the end of next month
- Crime statistics suggest we are doing well, the increase of staff will be well received.
- **Coffee with a Cop - 8<sup>th</sup> May, 2018** - This event will be held at Narellan Town Centre and Picton, this will be advertised on our Facebook page.

#### 7. **General Business / Open Discussion and Questions from the Floor.**

- Discussions on traffic issues and minor malicious damage in the Elderslie area
- Facebook pages and action groups in relation to the new orbital/freeway in the Cobbitty and Wilton areas. Residents are holding private meeting to discuss the issues they feel may impact on them.

- Benefit night for the two HWP officers Wright & Foley 11<sup>th</sup> May, 2018, thank you for assisting in the fundraising, prizes and your support.
- Would like to note the retirement of Jai Rowell and his contributions and support over his time.
- Camden Council advised they are still issuing a large number of bins per week due to the amount of housing growth in the area.

**Meeting complete. 11.50am**

**Next Meeting: TBA.**