

**Mid North Coast Community Safety Precinct Committee Meeting Minutes  
Nambucca Shire Council  
16 August 2016**

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**Attendees:**

**Police:** Supt FEHON  
Det C/Insp CLARKE  
Sgt SAINSBURY  
S/C CHERRY

**Deputy Mayor of Nambucca** John AINSWORTH

**Community Members** Robert & Joan SCOTT  
Rosemary PENNEY  
Stan OULD

**Apologies:**

**Dept of Premier and Cabinet** Katherine EMERTON  
**Mayor of Kempsey** Liz CAMPBELL  
**Mayor of Nambucca** Rhonda HOBAN  
**Community** Graeme CUNYNGHAME, Margaret KIDD

**Start:** 10.05am

**1) Introduction and Welcome**

Supt FEHON welcomed everybody to the meeting and thanked everyone for their time and interest. Police officers present were introduced to those in attendance.

**2) Matters arising from previous minutes**

No matters arising from the previous minutes.

**3) Crime review by Sgt Sainsbury**

- Control charts - main crime categories – past 3 years
- More detailed analysis for Nambucca Cluster:-
- Control charts for the past 3 years
- Review of major incident types over the past 12 weeks
- Crime Mapping

**Hastings Cluster results**

Control Charts for the past 3 years – major crime categories. Assault, Break & Enter, Drug Detection, Fraud, Malicious Damage, Robbery, and Stealing, Stolen Vehicle/Vessel.

- **12 weeks between 16 May & 7 August 2016**
- **Accounts for 47% of the LAC total for these offences**

## **Macleay Cluster**

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## **NAMBUCCA CLUSTER**

- **Number & percentage of incidents in each sector**
- **Control Charts for the past 3 years – major categories**
- **More detailed look at the past 12 weeks**
- **Crime mapping**
- **Other incidents of note**

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- **12 weeks between 16 May & 7 August 2016**
- **Accounts for 17% of the LAC total for these offences**

### **Assault – 12 weeks to 7/8/2016**

**Projection for May 29**

49 incidents in this period

- 39 Common assaults
- 10 ABH assaults

49% in residential premises

16% in public places

14% in licensed premises

39% DV related

37% Alcohol related

0% Drug related

### **Break & Enter – 12 weeks to 7/8/2016**

**Only 15 in April**

26 incidents in this period

69% residential premises

23% business/commercial premises

Residential offences more frequent in Nambucca, business commercial in Macksville

Entry via doors were the most prominent – many unlocked

### **Drug Detection – 12 weeks to 7/8/2016**

**Average of 23 per month over the past 21 months. Projection for May 18**

27 incidents in this period

- 22 drug possession
- 3 cultivate prohibited plant
- 1 self administer
- 1 forge/utter prescription

19 (70%) involved cannabis

3 (11%) involved methyl / amphetamines

2 (7%) involved Ecstasy

1 each of Pharmaceutical, Steroids & other drug

### **Fraud – 12 weeks to 7/8/2016**

**Average of 10 per month. Peak in November 2015 due to a stolen credit card being used 28 times.**

**Projection for May currently 11.**

12 incidents in this period

- 6 deception offences
- 5 fail to pay offences

- 1 other fraud
- 5 Fail to Pay at the one Service Station  
 2 deception offences related to motor vehicles  
 3 related to the fraudulent use of a stolen credit card  
 1 was an overseas internet scam (\$45K)

**Malicious Damage – 12 weeks to 7/8/2016**

Current average of 33 per month has been maintained for the past 16 months. Projection for May 23.

- 41 incidents in this period
- Only 1 recorded as graffiti
- 54% in residential premises  
 22% in public places  
 12% in educational premises  
 10% on business / commercial premises  
 24% DV related  
 17% alcohol related

**Robbery – 12 weeks to 7/8/2016**

No significant issues with robbery offences. Projection for May 0

Only 1 robbery in the Nambucca Valley in the past 12 weeks (the only 1 this year to date)  
 Occurred at Bowraville on Sunday 26 June around 6.15pm. Male robbed of his wallet at knifepoint by 3 male offenders. Investigations into this offence ongoing.

**Stealing – 12 weeks to 7/8/2016**

Current average of 64 per month. Projection for May 58.

- 71 incidents in this period
- 46% steal from vehicle
  - 37% other steal
  - 11% steal from retail store
  - 6% Steal from dwelling
- 52% from residential premises  
 18% from businesses  
 17% from public places  
 7% from licensed premises

**Stolen vehicle/vessel – 12 weeks to 7/8/2016**

Average of 10 per month. Projection of 3 for May

8 incidents in this period, including 1 attempt  
 1 box trailer and 1 motorcycle  
 Thefts included 2 Holden Commodores  
 All except 1 vehicle have been recovered  
 4 stolen from public places, 3 from residential premises & 1 from business premises.

**Crime Mapping**

Overview of crime viewed on maps for the information of those in attendance.

## **Other Incidents of note – 12 weeks to 7 August 2016**

In addition to the 235 incidents in the major crime categories, a further 2168 incidents are recorded as having occurred in the Nambucca Cluster in this 12 week period. These fell into 50 separate incident categories with some of the more significant of these being;

- 1131 traffic incidents
- 221 Bail compliance checks
- 101 Business Inspections
- 90 DV – No offence incidents
- 73 Person Searches
- 67 Child at Risk incidents
- 30 Vehicle Searches

17 Mental Health Act incidents

## **EMERGENCY + APP**

The features of the emergency plus app were shown by S/Con Cherry promoting the GPS coordinates and phone numbers for the appropriate service required.

## **NSW POLICE PORTAL**

Introduction of the Police Portal by S/Con CHERRY. The Portal will provide an additional reporting channel and improve the overall experience and satisfaction of our community members for non-emergency reports.

## **THE DEEP WEB**

Six minute documentary about the internet and the dangers of same.

Promoted discussion amongst the group.

Question about Meta data. Sgt SAINSBURY explained what exactly Meta data was and how it is used.

## **CRIME DISCUSSION**

Rosemary PENNEY thanked Police for their dedicated service to continued patrolling of Farrington Village.

Police are actively working 24 hrs a day during the times that our Tasking and Deployment meetings indicate that they are required.

John AINSWORTH question HWP locations throughout the sector.

Supt FEHON explained how the Highway Patrol and Traffic Services are a separate Command that do not belong to the LA though they still assist LAC Police with traffic issues.

Supt FEHON also explained about traffic issues in Roadwork zones.

John AINSWORTH questioned about how rural crime was investigated.

Supt FEHON explained that the MNCLAC has one designated Rural Crime Investigator (RCI) who is based out of Kempsey and Coffs Clarence LAC RCI is based out of Grafton.

There is currently a restructure into how rural crime is being investigated. Whether or not 2 officers need to attend to locations due to officer safety.

Sgt SAINSBURY Rural Crime is not a Crime Category like break and enter or assault but an associated factor that relates to the actual offence that has been committed.

## **CLOSING**

Supt FEHON thanked everyone for being at the meeting and hoped it was informative. The statistics do show there has been a decrease in crime in the Nambucca Valley area.

## **Next Meeting**

Next meeting is the 22 November 2016 at Port Macquarie Hastings Council in Port Macquarie at 10am.

Finish 11.25am.

<b>Action Items</b>			
<b>Intended Outcome</b>	<b>Agreed Strategies</b>	<b>Partner Agencies / Community member</b>	<b>Timeframe</b>
Nil			