

# Minutes

17<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Riverstone Police Station

Chairperson: Detective Chief Inspector Guyatt

Name	Agency	Title	Present
Michele Hedge	Quakers Hill East Public School	Principal	No
Sonja Anderson	Glenwood High School	Principal	Apology
Donna Healy	Glenwood High School	Deputy Principal	Apology
Philip Scandizzo	The Ponds High School	Deputy Principal	No
James Laird	The Ponds High School	Deputy Principal	Yes
Michael Maxwell	BC Council	Team Leader Social Planning	No
Jesica Varela	BC Council	Safer Communities Coordinator	Apology
Angela Van Dyke	Riverstone N'Hood Centre	Centre Manager	Yes
Gino Belcastro	Schofields Community Member	Member	Apology
Sue Lawrence	Riverstone Schofields Chamber of Commerce	President	Yes
Kevin Conolly	Member for Riverstone	MP	Yes
Ron Denham	Kings Langley NHW	Community Representative	Yes
Gil France	Quakers Hill NHW Eyewatch	Precinct Co Coordinator	Yes
Julianne France	Quakers Hill LAC	Volunteer in Policing	Yes
Chantal Brenton	The Ponds NHW Eyewatch	Precinct Co Coordinator	Yes
Balvinder Chahal	Secretary	Australian Sikh Association Inc	No
Harmeek Singh	Assistant Treasurer	Australian Sikh Association Inc	No
Rafiq Hasan	President	Quakers Hill Masjid	No
Michelle Smoothy	Dean Park /Colebee NHW Eyewatch	Precinct Co Coordinator	Apology
Jennifer Fildes	Kings Langley NHW Eyewatch	Precinct Co Coordinator	Yes
Nereda Illingworth	Tafe NSW	Manager	Yes
Nicole Debenham	Nirimba TAFE	Library Manager	Yes
Zac Adams	Stanhope Village	Operations Manager	No
Michelle Fuller	Stanhope Village	Marketing Manager	No
Nicole Miles	The Ponds Shopping Centre	Retail Manager	Yes
Glenn Cooper	Western Sydney University	Security Operations Manager - West	No
Nigel Hyland	Western Sydney University	Security Co-Ordinator	Yes
Gareth Allsopp	Metro Trains Sydney	Safety & Security Business Partner	Yes
Supt Scholz	Quakers Hill Police	Commander	Apology
D/Insp Guyatt	Quakers Hill Police	Crime Manager	Yes
Insp Croyston	Quakers Hill Police	Duty Officer	Apology
Sasko Bosevski	Quakers Hill Police	Intell Analyst	Yes

S/Cst Carter	Quakers Hill Police	Crime Prevention Officer	Yes
S/Cst Dickinson	Quakers Hill Police	Crime Prevention Officer	Yes

•**Meeting opened:** 9:35am

•**Welcome:** Detective Chief Inspector Guyatt opened meeting and welcomed all members

•**Introduction:** All members

•**Apologies:** Supt. Scholz, Insp Croyston, Nigel Clark, Jesica Varela, Gino Belcastro, Michelle Smoothy, Donna Healy, Sonja Anderson

•**Minutes Adopted:** Nereda Illingworth, Ron Denham

•**Correspondence In:** Eyewatch Reports (Glenwood, Kings Langley/Kings Park, Dean Park/Colebee, Quakers Hill, Marsden Park East, Greater Riverstone, Schofields, The Ponds, Stanhope Gardens/Kellyville Ridge, Kings Langley Neighbourhood Watch Group report

• **Correspondence Out:** Agenda and Minutes

•**Action items from previous minutes:**

Item Location	Issue	Follow-up action	Time Frame
Riverstone	Riverstone Masterplan	Michael Maxwell to provide update on progress of Riverstone Masterplan	Next meeting
Blacktown LGA	Digital Licence	enquiries made re- customers producing digital licence at Post Offices/JP desk as form of identification	Enquiries being made
Kings Langley	Speeding drivers	Request Highway Patrol Unit conduct patrols	Ongoing
The Ponds Shopping Centre	Anti-social behavior by students in retail stores	CPO's to speak to staff re- banning notices	Completed

## **Crime Presentation - by Sasko Bosevski**

Main crime categories in PAC are Break & Enters, Malicious Damage, Robbery, Steal from Motor Vehicle (SFMV) and Steal from Retail Store (SFRS). Expected increase over school holidays and seasonal swings in Steal from Retail Store incidents. Police are tasked to patrol hotspots.

For month of January, most incidents occurred in Riverstone followed by Quakers Hill. Highest crime category was Malicious Damage. Incidents mainly occurred on a Friday between 2100 and 2400 hr.

#### **▣ Break and Enters – Dwelling – January**

Most incidents occurred in Stanhope Gardens followed by Glenwood. Mostly occurred on a Friday. Most common time is 1800 – 2100 hrs.

#### **▣ Malicious Damage – January**

Most incidents occurred in Riverstone followed by Quakers Hill. Mostly occurred on a Saturday & Sunday. Most common time is 2100 - 2400 hrs.

#### **▣ Steal from Motor Vehicle – January**

Most incidents occurred in Kings Langley and Marayong. Mostly occurred on a Friday. Most common time is 1500 – 1800 hrs and 2100 - 2400.

#### **▣ Steal from Retail Store – January**

Most incidents occurred in The Ponds followed by Colebee. Most common time is 1800 – 2100 hrs.

#### **▣ Robberies – January**

One incident in Kellyville Ridge, Lalor Park and Riverstone. Most common time is 2100 - 2400 hrs.

### **PAC Overview – Detective Chief Inspector Guyatt**

Crime level in area is going well. The number of incidents in the PAC has increased. Staffing levels effecting response times to incidents.

There has been a decrease in Break & Enters in January after an offender was arrested and charged. Investigators have found that the offender is related to a staff member at a bank, who has been providing the details of customers to the offender.

Police conducted a search warrant at a home in Schofields a couple of weeks ago where they discovered a hydro set up. 39 plants were located and seized. Offender from Carramar arrested and charged.

Police attached to PAC have been involved with the recent fires and floods. Since mid-January, police have been tasked to travel to the southern region of NSW to assist and this will continue until the end of the month.

Last month, Quakers Hill PAC had the most DV matters ever in a 30-day period. 232 matters which includes 70 breach AVO offences. Police conduct AVO compliance checks and attend SAM's (Safety Action Meetings) with external agencies to monitor high risk DV offenders. DV incidents require a lot of police time and resources so police aim to do the best they can from the early onset. The majority of homicides are DV related. Police utilise DVEK (Domestic Violence Evidence Kits) at incidents which allows police to record on video injuries, property damage and demeanour of those involved at the scene. This adds more weight of evidence when the matter is heard at court.

**Angela – Please let DVLO know that there DV specialist services available at Riverstone Neighbourhood Centre if required for victims**

Steal from Motor Vehicle incidents – incidents are spread over the PAC. People still not locking their cars and leaving valuables in plain sight.

### **Crime Prevention - Senior Constable Sue Carter**

Over 10,800 members in the x9 Eyewatch Groups. In three months, the reach on the Quakers Hill PAC page is 645,910,000. Fabulous tool police use to engage the community.

There has been a lot of discussion in the groups about men wearing hi- vis vests knocking on people's door and asking to inspect roofs for hail damage. Police have confirmed that they are a legitimate business but police recommend residents obtain 3 separate quotes themselves for any works that need to be carried out at the home.

There was a serious motor vehicle and pedestrian accident involving a teenage boy on Burdekin Rd, Quakers Hill last Friday. Incident has rocked the Quakers Hill Facebook community, where many witnesses have expressed how traumatic it was for them to observe.

## **Group Reports / General Business**

### **Kevin Conolly – Member for Riverstone**

No police related issues to discuss. Area experienced some flooding due to recent development. Generally occurred where expected. Wasn't expected on Richmond Rd near Elara.

### **Jennifer Fildes – Kings Langley/Kings Park Neighbourhood Watch Eyewatch Group**

A lot of shopping trolleys observed lying around Kings Langley.

### **Outstanding Action – CPO's to contact Kings Langley Shopping Centre re- abandoned trolleys**

### **Ron Denham – Kings Langley Neighbourhood Watch**

As per submitted Kings Langley Neighbourhood Watch Group report.

### **Gil France – Eyewatch Precinct Coordinator**

As per submitted Eyewatch report.

### **Julianne France – Eyewatch Precinct Coordinator**

As per submitted Eyewatch report.

### **Nicole Miles – The Ponds Shopping Centre**

No major issues at centre. Had a visit from the Crime Prevention Officers last week which was good. Looking into locking up part of the centre at night to restrict public access. There have been thefts at BWS and Priceline (medications).

### **Police – Offender has been arrested and charged for Priceline stealing**

### **Nereda Illingworth – TAFE NSW Nirimba – Manager TAFE Services**

Electric warning signage coming out next week re- public roads. Issues with students going around roundabout the wrong way and doing U-turns in front of child care centre. In recent storms, had some flooding in some sheds.

### **Outstanding Action – Request Highway Patrol Unit conduct patrols. Contact Nigel Hyland for times**

### **Nigel Hyland - Western Sydney University - Security Co-Ordinator**

Have CCTV of traffic offenders that gets passed onto police. Have made recommendations for additional speed bumps, signage and bollards especially near child care centre and roundabout. Issues with speeding as drivers come out of Gate 2 towards Quakers Hill Parkway. University starts 2<sup>nd</sup> March.

### **Sue Lawrence- Riverstone Schofields Chamber of Commerce – President**

Main focus is on Riverstone Masterplan. Major concerns that not enough planning has gone into proposal especially with local roads and traffic implications. Alternate solutions prior to rezoning need to be looked at. Mr Connelly working closely with Chamber.

### **Police – Police also have significant concerns with Masterplan at this stage**

### **Angela Van Dyke – Riverstone Neighbourhood Centre – Chief Executive Officer**

Neighbourhood Centre will be putting in a submission re- the Masterplan. Applaud Blacktown City Council in trying to revitalise Riverstone. Need to look at Disaster Management re- recent flooding. There has been some minor property damage to the centre recently. Currently running 'Wheelie Mate' program which engages men and veterans in building wheelchairs for third world countries out of recycled bike parts. Youth Service Centre opened Dec 2019 – can be hired for functions. Currently doing a recruitment drive for volunteers – contact Neighbourhood Centre if interested.

**Outstanding Action – CPO's to promote Wheelie Mate/Men's Shed on Facebook**

**Outstanding Action – CPO's to promote volunteer recruitment drive at Neighbourhood Centre**

### **Gareth Allsopp - Metro Trains Sydney - Safety & Security Business Partner**

Not seeing youth gathering at the Tallawong station. Highway Patrol Unit carried out an operation in station carpark which saw good results. There has been a reduction in Steal from Motor Vehicle offences. Always a slight increase over school holidays but it has dropped now. Not young kids graffitiing train. Experienced some flooding in tunnel after recent storms.

### **James Laird – The Ponds High School – Deputy Principal**

Main issue at school is traffic. 4000 children. Worst time is between 8:15am and 9:15am and school pick up time at 3pm. Primary school releasing children earlier to try and alleviate problem. Issues with cars conducting U-turns in bus bays, double parking and children riding bicycles on footpaths. Marsden Park public high school and Vineyard high school to open in future.

### **Chantal Weir – The Ponds Neighbourhood Watch Eyewatch Group**

The Ponds Carols were held Dec last year. Didn't have fireworks due to fires. Mixed response received from community. Number were down. Had x1 lost child. Hope to hold again in 2020.

## **General Business**

**NEXT MEETING – 9:30am Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2020 at Riverstone Police Station – 4 Elizabeth St, Riverstone  
(Ph – 02 98382199)**

**2020 DATES –17<sup>th</sup> February 18<sup>th</sup> May 17<sup>th</sup> August 16<sup>th</sup> November**

**Meeting closed: 10:50am**

### **Actions Items:**

<b>Item Location</b>	<b>Issue</b>	<b>Follow-up action</b>	<b>Time Frame</b>
Kings Langley Shopping Centre	Abandoned trolleys throughout Kings Langley	CPO's to contact supermarkets at Kings Langley Shopping Centre	Next Meeting
UWS/Nirimba Campus	Traffic offences on campus	Request Highway Patrol Unit conduct patrols. Contact Nigel Hyland for times	Ongoing
Riverstone Neighbourhood Centre	Wheelie Mate/Men's Shed program at centre	CPO's to promote on Facebook	Next meeting
Riverstone Neighbourhood Centre	Volunteer recruitment drive at Centre	CPO's to promote whilst in field	Next meeting