

Kings Cross Community Safety Precinct Committee (**CSPC**) Meeting Minutes

Held at Kings Cross Police Station

8 June 2017

Commence 10:05am – finish 11:20am.

Presentation of Kings Cross Crime Overview via Power Point presentation
conducted by A/Commander

Robert Allison

In attendance:

Potts Point Partnership – Louise Shepherd

Kirketon Road Centre – Tessa Stockburger

Woolloomooloo PCYC – S/C Adam Clift & S/C Diana Ucles (Police Youth Case Managers)

Kings Cross Liquor Accord – Doug Grand

Alex Greenwich MP Representative – Roy Bishop

City of Sydney Council –George Davidson (City Spaces East) Helen Xiros (Kings Cross Office), Shaun Goggins (Safe City), Mike Fish & Michael Jones (Homeless Unit)

Kuttabul - Chief Petty Officer Police Coxswain Sarah Thomas & Naval personal Kirstan Smelcher

Homeless Unit St Vincent's Hospital – Sophie Kinnane & Rhianna Price

NSW Housing – Jayb Hoyt & Natasha Lowe

NSW Police – A/Superintendent Robert Allison, Senior Constable Sam Donni Crime Prevention Officer (CPO)

Adahps NSW Health, Forbes Street - Jo Spengeler

Medically Supervised Injecting Clinic – Kate Hocknull & Miranda St Hill

Inner City Legal Centre - Hilary Kincarde

Wayside Chapel –Guy Cooper (Community liaison officer)

Hope Street – Laurie Taylor, Emily Bergin & Ryan Naoum

Apologies

City of Sydney Council – Grant Cummins (Youth Representative)

Youth & Family Connect - Rosano Martinez – Projects Coordinator

Rough Edges – Penny Barletta

Community Representative for East Sydney – Veronica Heron

SWOP – (Sex Worker Outreach Program) Chantel Martin (case worker)

St Vincent’s Hospital Security – Ross Judd

Matthew Talbot – Shane Jarett (Manager)

Launchpad – Cindi Petersen (CEO)

Weave – Emmanuel Kostoglou (Community Development/ Project worker)

NAME	Issue or Discussion raised	RESPONDENT	ACTION
S/C Diana Ucles & S/C Adam Clift PCYC Police Youth Case Managers Woolloomooloo	<p>Spoke about their role as Youth Case Managers. S/C Ucles stated that youths were referred to them by youth agencies, including police from Kings Cross, Surry Hills and Sydney City LAC’s. Stated that they work with Young Offenders, Youth at Risk, and also young persons from Plunkett Street Primary School in Woolloomooloo.</p> <p>Generally work with 11-17 year olds. Mentioned that she conducts two programs gymnastics and girls boxing. Stated that a lot of the youth they work</p>	<p>Commander stated that Kings Cross Command had started a breakfast with Hope Street and students were to attend the PCYC at Woolloomooloo for breakfast.</p> <p>Stated that the program was conducted last year but due to decline in numbers program stopped.</p> <p>Commander also mentioned that the Woolloomooloo Scholarship program was</p>	Nil

	<p>with had issues with attending school.</p> <p>Local high school is at Balmain and its takes two buses to get there. Mentioned that Club works with around 40 - 60 youths. S/C Clift mentioned that the youth he worked with had an issue with drug dependency and that going to school and getting an education was paramount in addressing this as non-school attendance contributed to drug use leading onto crime.</p>	<p>targeting the issue with local youths in attending secondary school as the program looked at assisting families with the costs of sending children onto a local private school. Stated that Command did a fundraiser last year and raised over \$60, 000</p>	
<p>Hiliary Kincaid</p> <p>Inner City Legal Centre</p>	<p>Stated that they are a free service. Catchment area is local areas such as Potts Point, Surry Hills and CBD. Have a statewide service for members of the LGBT community and also for Sex workers. Stated that the service covers all areas except Immigration. Some referrals are from police victims of crime.</p>	<p>CPO thanked service representative for attending</p> <p>(This is the second time that a representative has attended the CSPC)</p>	<p>Nil</p>
<p>Helen Xiros</p> <p>City of Sydney Council</p>	<p>That they had been away on maternity leave since early last year and have returned to their role as a customer service officer at the Kings Cross Office. Role deals with local community and their complaints.</p>	<p>Information for all</p>	<p>Nil</p>
<p>Shaun Goggins</p> <p>City of Sydney Council</p>	<p>Spoke about the Good Neighbourhood BBQ's and that they have been successful all</p>	<p>Comments were acknowledged by group.</p>	<p>Nil</p>

	<p>throughout the City of Sydney Council areas. Stated that Kings Cross CPO had been to all the ones in the Kings Cross area. Last one was at Arthur McElhone Reserve Elizabeth Bay a few months ago. . Also that Council conducts a 'Perception of Safety' questionnaire for residents to complete while at the event. Around 1000 people attended the BBQ's and that 75% said they were satisfied with Council and most said that they felt safe in their community.</p>		
<p>George Davidson City of Sydney Council</p>	<p>Mentioned that he is responsible for community centres. Stated that Mary Mac centre at Woolloomooloo is available for groups and to check Council website. Stated that Juanita Neilson centre is going really well and is really popular with community. Centre was closed for 3 years for renovations. Community mural is being put on wall at Dowling Street Courts and there will be lots of workshops for wall.</p> <p>Reg Murphy centre will have a few live music acts and dancing which is popular with older members liked it. There are older and younger people coming into</p>	<p>Information for all</p>	<p>Nil</p>

	centre.		
Jo Spengeler ADAP NSW Health	Role of service is to assist people with HIV. Quite a few clients in area. Complex issues with drugs and health. Stated that service is having a BBQ for residents living in units in Woolloomooloo as to generate trust within some members of this community and service.	CPO thanked Jo for attending. (as this was the first CSPC they have attended)	CPO to attend community event at Woolloomooloo on 13 June
Emily Bergin Ryan Naoum Laurie Taylor Hope Street	Stated that service works with people in Social Housing. Stated that they are the education specialist. Their role was about Community Development and that Café and Op Shop were doing well to support the community. Stated that they welcomed services to use their space. Stated that they do a lot of Case Management and have the capacity to work with the homeless community. Stated also that service works with the parents of young people in the area.	CPO welcomed Ryan (as this was the first CSPC they have attended) Information for all in regards to space at Hope street available for sessions with a client at no cost	Nil
Natasha Lowe Housing NSW	Mentioned that she looked after the Woolloomooloo and Darlinghurst areas and looked at tenancies with at risk issues and anti-social behaviour. Works a lot with police and CPO from Kings Cross.	CPO welcomed Natasha (as this was the first CSPC they have attended).	CPO following up several jobs with Natasha.

<p>Jayb Hoyt</p> <p>Housing NSW</p>	<p>Mentioned that he covered the same areas as well as Surry Hills. Stated that they did an outreach service at Hope Street at Cathedral street every Tuesday morning. Stated that he interacted with most of the agencies present today at CSPC.</p> <p>Stated that he is leaving his role but remaining with the Surry Hills team and that a Vicki Collins was going to take his position.</p>		
<p>Roy Bishop</p> <p>Alex Greenwich Office</p>	<p>Stated that their office covers a lot of issues raised by residents. Mentioned that they raise these issues with local police if police are able to assist. Stated that they have liaised with Kings Cross CPO with a lot of these and that they have followed these up with them. Mentioned that CPO has contacted residents directly as a result. This is working well.</p>	<p>CPO stated that some cases are still ongoing and that there is a good working relationship with Alex Greenwich's office.</p>	<p>Information for all</p>
<p>Michael Jones</p> <p>Mike Fish</p> <p>Public Space Liaison Officers</p> <p>City of Sydney</p>	<p>Mentioned that in their role they also cover Wentworth Park and Belmore Park and work with Neami Way2home. Also mentioned that the homeless figures for winter are affected by the number of homeless</p>	<p>CPO welcomed Michael</p> <p>(as this was the first CSPC they have attended)</p>	<p>CPO mentioned about following up in regards to a cleanup in Palmer Street Woolloomooloo involving a tent being erected.</p>

Council	that are 'couch surfing'.		
Sophie Kinnane Rhianna Price Homeless Unit St Vincent's Hospital	We aim to link homeless people to main stream services. Sometimes being homeless is not an option for them. We do outreach and also deal with a number of client's mental health. Outreach team do case management with vulnerable clients.	CPO welcomed Sophie and Rhianna (as this was the first CSPC they have attended).	Nil
Guy Cooper Wayside Chapel	Wanted to thank Kings Cross Police for conducting the Community meetings as it gives the local community and opportunity to bring up any concerns. Also mentioned that if anyone wanted to do a tour of Wayside that he would be more than happy to take them.	Comments acknowledged by group	Tours being offered to members of CSPC committee.
Tessa Stockburger Kirketon Road Centre KRC	Mentioned that Dr Phillips has been appointed as director as the previous director Dr Ingrid Van Beek has retired after 30 years at KRC. Service is involved in Outreach and conducts the Needle Outreach Program. The outreach bus attends Woolloomooloo every evening. There is now a new telephone system set up for the Needle Hotline number which responds to people's call more quickly.	CPO welcomed Tessa (as this was the first CSPC they have attended). Comments acknowledged by group.	Nil

<p>Police Coxswain Sarah Thomas</p> <p>Naval personal Kirstan Smelcher</p> <p>Kuttabul</p>	<p>Stated that she was a Senior Naval Police officer posted to Kuttabul four weeks ago and is a liaison officer with police at LAC.</p> <p>Stated that she is base support manager for AFP. Looks after civilian police. Stated that she and Sarah deal with community complaints, usually noise complaints. Mentioned that there is a website set up with contacts for the local community.</p>	<p>CPO welcomed Sarah and Kirstan (as this was the first CSPC they have attended).</p> <p>Louise from PPP commented if there was going to be an upgrade of Garden Island. Sarah stated that this was pending waiting on Government approval.</p>	<p>Nil .</p>
<p>Louise Shepherd</p> <p>Potts Point Partnership (PPP)</p>	<p>Stated that the PPP is the local Chamber of Commerce for the Kings Cross area and that they advocate for local business. Businesses saying that they are getting noise complaints from residents at 9pm on a Saturday night. Stated that there is one or two regular complainants in Macleay Street and also at restaurants in the Elizabeth Bay area.</p> <p>It's about people leaving restaurants and restaurants packing up outside furniture. PPP has been liaising with Libby Harris from City of Sydney Council who is the night time manager. We are looking at what is reasonable noise.</p> <p>Stated to let PPP know if there are any local</p>	<p>Comments acknowledged by group.</p> <p>Roy Bishop mentioned that there was information on the EPA website.</p> <p>Doug Grand mentioned that what is deemed offensive may have a 'loose' definition. In some cases its one resident making a complaint that is affecting some businesses.</p> <p>CPO mentioned that the Kings Cross area was involved in Vivid this year.</p>	<p>Nil</p>

	events.		
Doug Grand Kings Cross Liquor Accord	<p>Mentioned that the Accord looks after all the licenced premises in the area. Mentioned that the Kings Cross Accord is going to amalgamate with the City Accord. Our next project is to link up with the 'Meet me in the Cross' project. There are seven premises involved.</p> <p>With the Lock out review we are looking at encouraging more live music.</p>	Comments acknowledged by group.	Doug following up request from CPO into a local adult entertainment venue.
Miranda St Hill Kate Hocknull Medically Supervised Injecting Centre (MSIC)	<p>Stated that they run public tours so as to explain what we do. We supervise people who have obtained drugs. We build a rapport with these people so as to be able to refer them.</p> <p>Stated that around 140 visits occur at centre daily by clients. A similar service is being looked at in Victoria as parliamentarians from Victoria have visited the Kings Cross centre.</p> <p>Mentioned it was a day to day struggle with local police searching people outside centre. Stated that she attended Conference in Canada recently and that harm reduction was the theme. Mentioned about the drug phenyl being mixed with drugs and</p>	Comments acknowledged by group.	Nil

	<p>has resulted in a number of overdoses and people dying overseas.</p> <p>Stated that the drug is not here yet, but has hit Melbourne.</p>		
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Next meeting Thursday 14 September 2017 at 10 am at Kings Cross Police Station.