

**PENNINGTON COMMUNITY WATCH
COMMUNITY POLICING FORUM
1st March 2016 – PENNINGTON LIBRARY**

17:30

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

1. **Welcome:**
Derek welcomed all
2. **Apologies:**
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3. **Matters arising from previous minutes.**
 - None.
4. **SAPS Monthly Crime Statistics:**
 - 14 crimes in total.
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Deena reported that the community are still not taking the necessary precautions to secure their premises at night. In some of the cases, access was gained through open windows with no burglar guard's, doors left unlocked and alarms not activated.

There is a new gang in the area which accesses the premises to get the vehicle keys and then drive off with them.

Vacant Position – PCW requires a volunteer to join the committee in the position of SECRETARY.

5. **General:**
 - **Vic** – complained about the security companies and their attendance at the CPF meeting to answer customer complaints. **A** The security companies are invited but we cannot demand they attend. Issues of this nature will be built into the business plan so we have leverage with the security company as a preferred service provider.
 - **The only way to solve our crime problem is to put a business plan together and the whole community gets involved.**
 - Derek gave a brief overview of some of the actions the PCW would like to put into place but needed to look at the costs and logistics. The new business plan should be ready by the end of February and a brief overview will be given at the next CPF meeting.
 - **Question was asked why we cannot set up booms on the two entrances.** **A** – Council has refused it in Freeland Park and will not allow any suburb to do it. They say it is restricting the freedom of movement on public roads. PCW will have look at alternative measures to control or monitor the entrances to Pennington.

Next meeting is on the 5th April 2016