

COMMUNITY POLICING FORUM

PENNINGTON SUB SECTOR

And

PENNINGTON COMMUNITY WATCH

1<sup>st</sup> September 2015 – LIBRARY ACTIVITY ROOM, PENNINGTON

MINUTES

<b>Present:</b>	
<b>Welcome:</b> Derek Johnson welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending. Apologies – received from community members <b>Matters arising from previous minutes: minutes not on web due to a technical problem</b>	
<b>SAPS Report:</b> <b>W/O Deena Govender:</b>  Pennington recorded 18 incidents for the month of August. Most of the incidents occurred during the day and from the 18 <sup>th</sup> of the month. SAPS increased the patrols in the area during this period as this is when most residents are at work. Some arrests were made but mostly where drug related and not burglaries. Please make certain that you secure your premises when leaving.  Although crime activity still prevails, we need to be vigilant. Reminder to everyone to report any crime related incidents and to call the SAPS charge office to report suspicious activity on either 039 9789916 or on 10111 which is the call centre in Port Shepstone. Deena can then follow up on the report.  <b>Reminders</b> Do not buy stolen property! You will be charged. You are creating a market. If you are away from home make sure a neighbour picks up your Rising Sun and switches on lights while you are away. Check on neighbourhood holiday homes.	

<p><b>Progress on the street groups ( Whatsapp )</b>  No information on the street groups. All appears to be going well at this stage.</p> <p><b>Projects in progress</b>  Cherry Lane surveillance cameras have been installed. Some issues have been identified, which the supplier has to sort out.  Clearing of vacant sites – This is on-going and Marcel will do a follow up with Umdoni on the progress of the sites already identified to be sorted out by the owners. A meeting to be held with Council as the 30 day notice period given to the owners has now lapsed.</p> <p>Camera surveillance project for Pennington - A meeting is to be held with a supplier to establish camera points and costs. The cameras are to be monitored as it was felt that this will have a far greater benefit in reducing crime in the area. Footage can also be used later for evidence if required.</p> <p>A meeting was held with the local security companies. Unfortunately not all them attended. Magma have given us their assurance that their response vehicle will assist when needed and PCW patrol groups will be supplied with a contact cell number.</p> <p><b>Membership.</b>  The street group Admins are in the process of having the PCW membership forms completed. Membership is R45.00 and will include a gate PCW sign.</p>	
<p><a href="http://pennington.za.org">http://pennington.za.org</a> We urge you to provide suggestions and comments in order to improve the site and content  The PCW face book page is being created and linked to the web site by Brigitte and Duncan and should be live in September.</p> <p><b>Funding</b>  When donating into the account – please provide your name or address as reference.  A list of all sponsors have been placed on the website  Scottfin will donate R 500-00 to the PCW for any new clients who have been referred by the Pennington community. This is an added bonus so PLEASE make referrals.</p> <p><b>General</b>  If your street lights are not working please contact Cogie on 039 9761202.  Derek thanked everyone for their attendance and hoped that they benefited from the information.</p>	
<p><b>Next Meeting: Tuesday 6<sup>st</sup> October 2015</b></p>	