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COMMUNITY POLICING FORUM

02nd MAY 2017 5:30 PM – PENNINGTON LIBRARY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

- **Welcome**

Derek welcomed all

- **Apologies**

Received via Facebook, street groups, and attending community members. M Davy; Dave Arnison; B Lawrie; Wendy Pickering; Jenny Allorto; Ruth Bishop.

- **SAPS Monthly Crime Statistics:**

- 6 crimes in total
- 2 thefts
- 4 house burglaries (majority when Bobbies were not on duty). These occurred early morning and in the afternoons.
- Only 2 cases on the camera side of Pennington since the cameras have been installed.
- 2 Asian men arrested by Scottburgh SAPS and may be linked to 8 cases in the Umdoni area.
- Pennington PCW Police Reservists (Bobbies on the Beat) have made 23 arrests in Pennington in April, 8 for serious offenses, 2 for theft, 6 for possession of dagga and 5 for petty crime.
- If we could have Bobbies patrolling 24 / 7 we could virtually eradicate the crime totally in Pennington.
- Cluster Commander visited Scottburgh SAPS station on Monday 24 April 2017
- Deena Govender reiterated not to leave car and house keys in accessible places
- PCW Patrols did 82 patrols (day and night) during month of April which includes the Police Reservists. This works out to 2.5 per day.
- Night patrols were 36 with Police Reservists doing an 8 hour shift and Patrol members doing a 2 hour shift.
- If we had more people joining the PCW we could have more Police Reservists (Bobbies on the Beat) doing patrols keeping Pennington safer.
- **Please remember all suspicious activity to be reported to SAPS Charge office on 0399789916 and then also reported on Street groups.**

- All Patrol Members have Police Reservists numbers and at least one patrol member will be linked to a street group for more pro-active response.

- **Projects**

- An additional R70 000 is needed to install the 2nd camera at the entrance to Dolphin Drive and once that is up it can be added to and build up on.
- Wireless link for camera is additional R8500 and the pole is R1500.
- All Pennington residents need to drive membership and to get their neighbours, friends, families to sign up, the more members PCW have the more it can achieve.
- Police Reservists will be on patrol for the month of May on staggered shifts from funds raised from active paying PCW Members
- PCW to approach business's for donations to PCW Funds.

- **General**

- Once again Street Groups are to be used for Crime related reporting only.
- Vehicles going in and out of Pennington since the camera was installed a total of 446 000.
- Thursday 27th April PCW Members with the SAPS Reservists did a sweep through the bush between the R102 and Umdoni Road North to chase out any undesirables.
- Members to approach Body Corporates at Complex's to join PCW as a group.
- Milkwood – Martin Theron
- Pueblo del Mar – Brian Jerome
- Imphale Drive – Lourie Coleman
- Park Rynie have started up a Community Watch.
- Mrs Collins to approach Railways about a security guard on the railway lines.

Meeting closed at – 18:30

Next Meeting - 6th June 2017 – Pennington Library