

**PENNINGTON COMMUNITY WATCH**  
**COMMUNITY POLICING FORUM**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> November – PENNINGTON LIBRARY**

**17:30**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

- 1. Welcome:**  
Derek welcomes all.
- 2. Apologies:**
  - o Cobus, Denzil, Francois, Cecilia, Ruth, Glen, Dave
- 3. Matters arising:**
  - o None.
- 4. SAPS Monthly Crime Statistics:**
  - o 11 crimes in total;
  - o 8 Housebreakings;
  - o 1 Theft
  - o 1 Robbery
  - o 1 Sexual Assault
  - o Deena re-iterated that some of these crimes could have been avoided as residents are not taking the necessary care to secure their properties. In the case of the robbery he said that if you are going to walk on the beach, make sure it is not in an isolated area. Umdoni point is very isolated and several problems have been experienced in the area.
  - o Arrangements are being made to try and manage the Festive season influx.
  - o The homeless people that have been sitting outside the mall have been told to go to the Homeless shelter in Port Shepstone.
  
- 5. Progress on Street Groups:**
  - o Street groups are going well, and people are encouraged to join if they are not on yet.
  - o Marcel has sorted out the Syringa rd. area street group.
- 6. Projects in Progress – Security Companies:**
  - o Magma – complaint from Barney about the response vehicle. Derek requested that the information be sent to him so he can take the matter up with the Manager. It might be a problem with only one security guard.
  - o A new security company Extreme Secure, has expressed interest in the activities in the area. A meeting to be held to see what they propose.
  - o Discussions to be held with the other local Security Companies. - Pitbull and Envirogroup.
- 7. Vacant Land - Street Lights:**
  - o Marcel received confirmation from Umdoni counsel that the clearing of the 5 identified sites should be starting soon.
  - o Street lights are going to be managed by the PRRPA. Residence are requested to email the information to [penningtonratepayers@gmail.com](mailto:penningtonratepayers@gmail.com)
  - o Complaints of poles holes, these must be reported to PRRPA via email.
  
- 8. General:**
  - o **Facebook Page** – join on the page for residents, called Pennington Community Watch, it is not for crime reports and statistics, more for the chats and social aspect;

**Funds for December**, PCW to assist SAPS with man power from private security. Special meeting to be held with the relevant role players to formulise control measures.

  - o **Golf day** at Selbourne to raise funds, contact Steve ( 0824614606) or Ian( 0731948114) further details will be on Facebook.
  - o **Funding Model:** Presented by James, suggesting a strategic plan, with income streams where we can budget, and not reliant on the emotional impact of donations.

- **Meeting between PCW, Rate Payer Association and Environmental Group:** will meet to discuss common strategies, goals.
- **Urban Improvement Plan:** this initiative is the setting up of a Section 21 Company, to substitute some of the council functions.
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- Meeting closed 18:40

Next meeting is on the 1st December