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COMMUNITY POLICING FORUM

4th December 2017 5:30 PM – PENNINGTON LIBRARY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

- **Welcome**

Derek welcomed all

- **Apologies**

Marcel Veleur, Received via Facebook, street groups, and attending community members.

- **SAPS Monthly Crime Statistics – November 2017:**

- 8 Reported incidents – 5 burglaries, 1 alleged theft of motor vehicle from Pennington Beach Parking, 1 house robbery, 1 common theft.
- If you hear noise or movements, put it on the Whatsapp group and give Patrol members and Bobbies a call, rather be safe than sorry. If your dogs bark excessively put it on the Whatapp group, so that the Bobbies can patrol that area. That is what the Bobbies and Patrols and Whatsapp groups are for. Anything suspicious should be reported or posted on your Whatsapp group.
- While Patrol members are patrolling they notice a lot of residents do not take safety seriously and don't seem to feel it is necessary. Doors, Gates & Windows are left open.
- Alarms should be set when you go to sleep. Isolate your bedroom so if someone gets into your house the alarm will be activated. It is an extra warning.
- Although crime is down in Pennington at the moment it can come back at any time.
- Watch your own property and your neighbour's property.
- All residents off Pennington need to join the PCW. If we could have Bobbies patrolling 24 / 7 we could virtually eradicate the crime totally in Pennington
- We need another 50 members to have 24/7 patrols in Pennington.
- Visible policing definitely working, but still need 24 hour Bobbies.
- PCW Patrols did 79 patrols (day and night) during month of November - 26 Night shifts, 19 days shift, 34 Reservist shifts.
- The patrols are still very effective as the crime stats are way under double figures
- **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.

- There are 10 radios that have been given to Patrol members and SAPS reservists for instant communication with each other for a quicker response to incidents in Pennington.
- **Projects**
 - 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. New membership is slow at the moment and if there is not a reflective PCW sign on the gate then that resident is not a member. They need to join.
 - All PCW Members will get stickers for vehicles. R10 for extra sticker. MEMBERS ONLY
 - Extra Bobbies to come in 24 /7 from 5th December to mid-January. Thanks to funds raised from the 2 golf days and from active paying PCW Members
 - Barracouta Bend camera – Cameras are now operational.
 - 6 monthly budget to be presented to members by DA to detail where PCW money is being spent.
 - Financials to be sent to Mark Davey by Dave for redistribution.
- **Golf day – Feedback**
 - Golf day an amount of R40 000 was raised from the 2 days, this will be used to fund the bobbies 24/7.
- **General**
 - Once again Street Groups are to be used for Crime related reporting only.
 - 198 members at present and 400 people on whatsapp street groups.

Meeting closed at – 18:00

Next Meeting - 6th February 2018

Pennington Library