

**MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY SAFETY PRECINCT MEETING, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY 23rd MAY 2017, COMMENCING AT 11.00AM.**

**PRESENT:** Senior Constable Jason Noreen (Balranald Police), Acting Inspector O'Brien (Balranald Police), Paul Hadlow (Balranald VRA), Aaron Drenovski (Balranald Shire), Wally Johnson (Presbyterian Church), Robyn Johnson (Mallee Family Care), Troy Brown (Homebush Hotel), Wayne Whitby (Balranald Club), Cr Leigh Byron (Mayor, Balranald Shire), Cr Jeff Mannix (Balranald Shire), Hank VanDerVeen (Tooleybuc Club)

**APOLOGIES:** Sgt Narelle Tucker (Balranald Police), Superintendent Condon (NSW Police Force), Vicki Barnes (Kyalite Hotel) and Herb Stratton (Shamrock Hotel)

Previous Minutes were accepted by Wayne Whitby and Seconded by Mayor Leigh Byron

**1. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Robyn Johnson enquired about the clarification of emergency accommodation arrangements.

Acting Inspector advised the owners of the premises should clarify the arrangements of who is eligible to use the facility.

Wayne asked if Council, being the owners of the premises, could advise the committee and write a policy outlining arrangements.

Acting Inspector suggested council liaise with Sgt Tucker regarding the arrangements of the facility, write a submission and submit to council prior to next Community Safety Precinct Meeting.

Mayor Byron advised the committee of the community meeting held in Euston with the police and stated there had been no issues in Euston since.

**POLICE STATISTICS & UPDATES**

Senior Constable Noreen reported there had been no major incidents within the area. The following were minor incidents in the area since the last meeting; months;  
- 5 PCA  
- 2 car searches with positive outcomes

There was an enquiry of the offender regarding Break & Enters, the response was he is currently out on bail and not allowed to reside in town.

Senior constable Noreen also reported the following vacant positions within the Balranald Police force. 1 vacant General Duty's officer and 2 vacant Highway positions although 1 maybe filled.

He also advised that incidents no matter how big or small need to be reported to police.

Acting Inspector suggested that sporting clubs should be encouraged not to leave alcohol or money on premises, this should avoid reasons to break and enter.

Aaron enquired about the property being used as evidence, does it get held until Court or is it returned to the owner.

Acting Inspector responded with depends on the property and the incident. Most likely photo taken and returned to owner as quick as possible.

Robyn enquired if it could be put in Councils newsletter, reminding people to report any incident to police, It was advised it is in Councils monthly newsletter.

Police use statistics of reports to help fulfil the roster. Wayne enquired whether Trainees could work and reside in Balranald. There would not be enough work to fulfil being trained in this area.

### **New Business:**

Troy Brown advised the committee that Beccy Cole has been arranged to perform at Homebush Hotel on 11th November 2017, 250 tickets will be presold for the event.

Wayne Whitby advised Hutch Lawrie will be playing at the Balranald Ex-Servicemen's Club on 10th June 2017.

Cr Mannix advised RedBull event was coming to Balranald in October to coincide with the Five Rivers weekend.

Hank advised there are no major issues at Tooleybuc.

Paul Hadlow expressed concerns of the speeding along Mayall Street.

Aaron enquired about the police region change. The committee were advised a restructure will be in function for LAC, although should not affect the country LAC.

**NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting will be held on 25th July 2017 **at 11:00am.**

**CLOSURE:** There being no further business the meeting closed at 11.55am.