

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
Question on notice

Thursday, 23 April 2015

2993. Hon Stephen Dawson to the Attorney General representing the Minister for Police.

- (1) What is the standard schedule and the number of police vehicles on patrol in Port and South Hedland in any given week and has this resourcing changed in the past 12 months?
- (2) On how many occasions in the past six months has only one police vehicle been on call for the whole of Port, and South Hedland and how does this data compare to the past three years?
- (3) How many police vehicle call outs have been made and what was the average waiting time for attendance in Port and South Hedland in the last six months, and how does this data compare to the past three years?
- (4) On how many occasions in the last six months have police officers called for backup in Port Hedland or South Hedland, and no back up was available to dispatch and how does this data compare to the past three years?
- (5) When was the last staff wellbeing or morale assessments undertaken at the South Hedland Police station and what were the findings of the assessment?

Answer

- (1) A 10 hour shift roster has been in place since 2 March 2015. Generally the shift times are rostered as follows:
 - Day: 0700–1700 hours
 - Afternoon: 1500–0100 hours
 - Night: 2100–0700 hours

A minimum of one vehicle is available at all times, this increases to up to three vehicles during identified peak periods and overlap of rostered shifts. In addition to the vehicles available above, on Wednesday to Saturday, staff permitting, South Hedland run an additional early day shift vehicle from 0600 hours and an additional afternoon/night shift vehicle between 1700-0300 hours.

- (2) The response required for this question would take a significant amount of time and resources to collate and process. It is therefore not possible for Police to obtain this information without significantly compromising other core policing activities.
- (3) [See tabled paper no.]
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- (5) Between 21 January and 28 February 2015.

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- (3) The tables below outline total tasks that were recorded on the CAD system for the South and Port Hedland sub-districts between 1 November 2014 and 30 April 2015, compared to the 2011/12, 2012/13 and 2013/14 Financial Years.

Priority 1 and 2 Tasks and Average Response Time:

DISTRICT	2011-12		2012-13		2013-14		2014-15	
	GOS Jobs	Avg Response Time	GOS Jobs	Avg Response Time	GOS Jobs	Avg Response Time	GOS Jobs	Avg Response Time
South Hedland	53	10:19	48	06:46	94	08:30	159	08:30
Port Hedland	30	11:21	16	07:51	29	15:48	34	13:35

Priority 3 Tasks and Average Response Time:

DISTRICT	2011-12		2012-13		2013-14		2014-15	
	GOS Jobs	Avg Response Time	GOS Jobs	Avg Response Time	GOS Jobs	Avg Response Time	GOS Jobs	Avg Response Time
South Hedland	1143	18:57	1256	17:59	1210	24:18	1392	24:18
Port Hedland	238	24:44	232	25:16	297	31:57	265	27:36

- (i) Priority 1 tasks cover incidents such as: an armed hold-up in progress; armed offender incident in progress; and other life-threatening incidents.
- (ii) Priority 2 tasks cover incidents where life or property is, or may be, in a state of threat or imminent danger.
- (iii) Priority 3 tasks cover incidents requiring immediate attention, but are not life-threatening at that time. Priority 3 incidents may involve the welfare of a person, the possible apprehension of offenders or the preservation of evidence.