

**Question on Notice
No. 831
Asked on 18 August 2004**

MS SULLIVAN asked the Minister for Police and Corrective Services (MS SPENCE) -

QUESTION:

With reference to the recently established 14 officer Tactical Crime Squad at Deception Bay Police Station-

- (1) What is its specific role?
- (2) How will the residents in the Pumicestone Electorate benefit?

ANSWER:

Tactical Crime Squads are a government-funded policing initiative aimed at reducing or eliminating identified crime related problems.

The specific role of the Redcliffe District Tactical Crime Squad is to:

- investigate all crime, with an emphasis on property crime, and the possession and supply of dangerous drugs;
- provide assistance to local detectives;
- conduct district and regional based operations into local community problems such as break and enter offences, hooning, and good order; and
- conduct joint operations where necessary with federal agencies, including Australian Customs Service.

The area covered by the Redcliffe Tactical Crime Squad includes all of the Redcliffe Police District covering the Police Divisions of Redcliffe, Deception Bay, Caboolture, Bribie Island, Woodford, Kilcoy and Moore. This area includes the Pumicestone Electorate. The residents of the Pumicestone Electorate will benefit by:

- increased patrols targeted to specifically address local community problems;
- increased assistance for local police to investigate crime;
- increased number of joint operations with local police targeting property crime, drug offences, good order offences and traffic offences; and
- increased ability to assist in joint operations with external agencies.

