

**Question on Notice  
No. 1715  
Asked on 10 November 2009**

MR CRIPPS asked the Minister for Police, Corrective Services and Emergency Services (MR ROBERTS)—

**QUESTION:**

With reference to the answer to Question on Notice No. 350 of 2009—

- (1) When will the vacant position of OIC at El Arish Police Station be advertised and filled?
- (2) When will additional police officers be allocated to Mission Beach Police Station and Cardwell Police Station?
- (3) When will Tully Police Station be upgraded to a 24 hour station and have additional police officers allocated to that station?

**ANSWER:**

- (1) As indicated in my answer to Question on Notice No. 350, the Commissioner of Police has responsibility for the allocation of police resources across the State.

The Queensland Police Service is currently reviewing policing in the El Arish Police Division. Pending the finalisation of that review, officers from neighbouring divisions will continue to provide policing services in the El Arish Division by conducting patrols and attending to calls for service.

- (2) The approved strength of Mission Beach Police Station is two police officers and a part-time administration officer. Future staffing requirements for Mission Beach Station have been identified as a priority by police management in the Far Northern Police Region.

The approved strength of Cardwell Police Station is two police officers and a full-time administration officer. This is considered adequate to meet policing needs in the Cardwell area at this time.

- (3) The current approved strength of Tully Police Station is nine uniformed police officers and two plainclothes officers, assisted by one Police Liaison Officer. This is considered adequate to meet policing needs in the Tully area at this time.

In addition to the above staffing, an Innisfail District Crime Prevention Officer will commence duty at Tully Station in December 2009.