

**Question on Notice
No. 669
Asked on 12 September 2013**

MR GRIMWADE asked the Minister for Police and Community Safety (MR DEMPSEY)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise how the Newman Government's commitment to provide additional front line police is and will continue to benefit the Morayfield Electorate and how many additional police officers the Caboolture District has been allocated since March 2012?

ANSWER:

The Newman Government has given a four year commitment to increase police numbers by 1,100 officers (over and above attrition). We have committed to a surge of 300 police in the initial financial year.

The Police Commissioner has advised that the promised growth of 300 police officers for the 2012-13 financial year has been achieved. This growth is over and above police separations such as resignations or retirements.

Of the 300 new police growth positions allocated for the 2012-13 financial year, 30 of these were allocated to Caboolture District.

In March 2012, there were 219 positions in Caboolture District. In August 2012, the QPS commenced an internal review guided by the Public Sector Renewal Program. The review proposed a new vision with a supporting structure to provide clear benefits and improved service delivery to the community. As a result, on 1 July 2013 the QPS implemented a new structure that resulted in, among other changes, the Caboolture District being combined with Redcliffe District to create Moreton District. As at 1 October 2013, there were 337 police positions and 381 police officers assigned to the newly created Moreton District.

The increased police numbers in the Caboolture District has enhanced the capacity of the Queensland Police Service to deliver timely and effective policing services throughout the Morayfield electorate.