

Question on Notice
No. 834
Asked on 19 November 2013

MR WELLINGTON asked the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services (MR DEMPSEY)—

QUESTION:

Will the following police stations be operating at full strength over the school holiday Christmas period (a) Nambour, (b) Cooroy, (c) Palmwoods and (d) Kenilworth?

ANSWER:

The police staffing arrangements for the specified police stations over the school holiday Christmas period are as follows.

Nambour has one vacancy which is in the process of being filled. Additionally, three officers are performing duty at other units within the Sunshine Coast District. This will ultimately benefit the Nambour Division.

Cooroy will have one officer on leave over the holiday period. Palmwoods and Kenilworth will both be at full strength.

Police in these divisions will also be able to call on support of officers in surrounding areas should the need arise. This is standard practice throughout the year.

The Newman Government committed to revitalising front line policing by providing an additional 1,100 new police officers over four years. To date, the government has delivered over 500 additional officers, who have been allocated throughout the State to areas of critical need.