

**Question on Notice
No. 177
Asked on 18 March 2014**

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

QUESTION:

With reference to the staging of the G20 summit in Brisbane on 15 and 16 November 2014 and subsequent increased policing in the city—

Will the Minister outline how this will impact on policing on the Gold Coast, in view of the annual schoolies' festival in Surfers Paradise?

ANSWER:

The Queensland Government committed to revitalising front line policing by providing an additional 1,100 new police officer over four years. To date, the Government has delivered around 700 additional officers who have been allocated throughout the State to areas of critical need. This increase in front line police is enabling the QPS to commit more officers to proactive policing tasks.

To this end, the police response for G20 is not expected to impact upon police resource capability for the Gold Coast Schoolies festival.

The G20 meeting will occur in Brisbane on 15 and 16 November with G20 duty for officers ending on 17 November.

The Schoolies police operation on the Gold Coast is due to commence on 21 November 2014, allowing five days between each operation.