

Question on Notice
No. 1807
Asked on 24 October 2019

MR D PEGG ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND MINISTER FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES (HON M RYAN)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister provide an update on the success of Operation Romeo Airtight in keeping the community in the electorate of Stretton safe?

ANSWER:

Operation Romeo Airtight commenced on 1 June 2019 and is an on-going multi-tiered operation combining high visibility policing deployments, high risk offender targeting, awareness campaigns and community engagement established by the Queensland Police Service (QPS) with a focus on Sunnybank and surrounding suburbs.

Local police have also been supported by the Mounted Unit, the Railway Squad, the Public Safety Response Team and the Bicycle Squad.

To assist Operation Romeo Airtight, the QPS released a range of crime prevention videos on WeChat, a popular social media platform in the community. This platform allows police to easily communicate with members of the community about crime prevention tips and important community safety updates.

A number of community events and meetings have taken place in the community, including 'Bubble Tea with a Cop' and community safety presentations to community groups in the Sunnybank area.

I am advised that the role of Police Liaison Officers in the community is invaluable, particularly their interaction with the local community, providing personal safety information and assisting with avenues to report safety issues to police.

Since the commencement of Operation Romeo Airtight, I am advised that as at 30 October 2019, officers have issued more than 6,800 infringement notices, charged more than 1,000 offenders and conducted over 3,600 street checks.

Members of the Stretton community can be assured that the Queensland Police are dedicated to keeping the community safe.