Question on Notice No. 1277 Asked on 8 November 2022

MR B MICKELBERG ASKED MINISTER FOR POLICE AND CORRECTIVE SERVICES AND MINISTER FOR FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (HON M RYAN)—

QUESTION:

Will the Minister advise the number of uniform general duties police officers allocated to Sippy Downs Police Station since 2015 (reported separately in a table format, by calendar year, FTE allocated and FTE available for rostering)?

ANSWER

I am advised by the Queensland Police Service that the approved strength, substantive headcount as at 31 December of each year from 2015 to 2021, and as at 31 October for 2022, for General Duties Officers at Sippy Downs Police Station is detailed in the table below.

CALENDAR YEAR	APPROVED PERMANENT POSITIONS	SUBSTANTIVE HEADCOUNT
31/12/2015	11	12
31/12/2016	11	12
31/12/2017	11	12
31/12/2018	11	12
31/12/2019	11	12
31/12/2020	11	11
31/12/2021	11	11
31/10/2022	11	13

As the Member has asked for divisional uniformed general duties, please note that the table above does not include other sworn officers such as officers from the Criminal Investigation Branch, Child Protection Investigation Unit, Tactical Crime Squad, Watchhouse, Bike Squad and District and Central functions.

As at 31 October 2022, there were 555 approved police positions in Sunshine Coast Police District (312 in Police Divisions, 168 in District Function, and 75 in Central Functions).

The allocation of police resources is a matter for the Commissioner of Police based on operational policing demand and direct service delivery requirements to ensure a fair and equitable service is provided throughout the State. I am advised these requirements can change as new policing issues emerge.

To identify the FTE available for rostering would require the manual examination of rosters and timesheets for the requested period. This is considered by the QPS an unjustifiable use of police resources.