



POLICING PLAN 2019/20



ASCENSION ISLAND POLICING DETACHMENT

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Welcome to our new Policing Plan for the financial year 2019/20

I am extremely proud to lead the Policing detachment here on Ascension. I have been here for 6 months now and each day I find something else to love about this Island.

We are very lucky to have a very low rate of Crime and Anti-social behaviour here but we do have our issues we still need to focus on and I will need your help to achieve the next years goals.

I have consulted with many residents and stakeholders and we have conducted a survey to try and highlight areas of greatest concern amongst the community. I have used these responses to produce 4 Policing priorities which this plan is built around.

My focus here is around safety. The safety of everyone who lives, works or visits here and as such my plan will focus around the usual Policing activities you would expect such as Crime and Road safety. However the survey results clearly indicated other areas where you would like us to focus, namely, noise issues, rubbish the provision of more activities for the community and a request for us as a Police Service to become more involved in community activities. I pledge to spend the next year doing everything I can to become more involved, and also to provide more community activities..... BUT..... I will need your help!

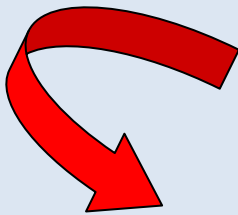
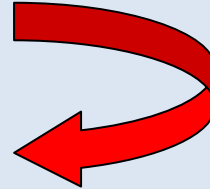
I am really looking forward to the next 12 months, I know together we can achieve great things and make Ascension even safer than it already is whilst maybe, just maybe having some fun along the way!!

Inspector Dave Kewley

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Our Vision

'Public Service is at the core of all we do, protecting and serving our community and delivering a safe and secure environment for all.'



Our Mission

Working in line with our values, the Ascension Island Policing Detachment provides a community focused approach to the safety and security of Ascension Island, its residents and Visitors.

Our Values

PROFESSIONALISM
COURAGE

RESPECT & DIGNITY
SUPPORTIVENESS

HONESTY & INTEGRITY
COMPASSION

Our Priorities

Policing Priority 1

Working with the community, partners and stakeholders to help solve the issues most affecting our community to make us all safer together.

Policing Priority 2

Working with partners, volunteers and stakeholders to develop and maintain a plan to deal with Major Incidents.

Policing Priority 3

Making the roads of Ascension safer through Education and intelligence led Enforcement focusing on the Fatal 4. (Drink/Drug Driving—Seatbelts—Mobile phones—Speeding)

Policing Priority 4

Improving community spirit by focusing upon local projects which improve the environment whilst also providing opportunities and activities for the local community.

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Policing Priority 1— Working with the community, partners and stakeholders to help solve the issues most affecting our community to make us all safer together, focusing upon those most vulnerable.

Our Target

- * Creation of a Multi Agency Community Action Group. (MACAG)
- * Creation of a MACAG fund.
- * Provide better First Aid provision Island wide.

What do we plan to do to achieve that target?

- * We will seek members of the community to form the MACAG
- * We will chair monthly meetings and offer professional advice in problem solving.
- * We will organise any planned action and seek volunteers.
- * Purchase defibrillators and train every resident in their use and place them Island wide.

What do we need to achieve this target?

- * Support from local employers and residents.
- * Good community engagement and a willingness to take part in problem solving.
- * Further training in Problem Solving and Community Engagement.

Why is this a Priority?

Many of the issues that have been raised by the community are things that the Police cannot deal with alone. Littering, for example, needs everyone to be vigilante to challenge poor behaviour and if we all work as a team we can have an impact on cleaning up the island. Everyone needs to do their bit. A MACAG can identify the issues most affecting the community and will hopefully have a larger influence over getting the community involved.

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Policing Priority 2—Working with partners, volunteers and stakeholders to develop and maintain a plan to deal with Major Incidents.

Our Target

* To work together to ensure that in the event of a Major Incident we are able to deliver what is required of us in line with the current Major Incident Plan.

What do we plan to do to achieve that target?

- * Review the current plan and ensure it is fit for purpose.
- * Identify all major Stakeholders in the Major Incident Plan and ensure they are aware of their responsibilities.
- * Provide training to island residents and update the plan with a Secondary Skills List
- * Replace the existing VHF radio system with a Digital System
- * Conduct Tabletop and Live exercises to test the island response and Major incident Plan.
- * Explore new methods and technologies to improve our capabilities e.g. DRONES, ATV's and a Dive Recovery team

What do we need to achieve that target?

- * Time to provide Training to AIG employees in Secondary Skills such as Cordon Control.
- * An Investment into new technologies designed to assist in a Major incident.
- * Development of an Aide Memoire to make our response swifter and consistent.
- * Support from other employing Organisations in both training of their employees and also use of equipment/buildings/supplies if required.
- * Maintain a 24/7 Policing Response ideally with support from Special Constables.

Why is this a Priority?

Even though a Major Incident is unlikely, given our remote location and limited resources even a relatively minor incident could require the assistance of other departments/employers and Volunteers. Also, should a major incident occur, we will have a far greater chance of a positive outcome the better prepared we all are.

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Policing Priority 3 — Making the roads of Ascension safer through Education and intelligence led Enforcement focusing on the Fatal 4.

Our Target

- * To reduce the number of Road Traffic Collisions (RTC's) from last financial year (8)
- * To further reduce the number of Drink Driving Incidents from last financial year (1)
- * To reduce the number of injuries caused on our roads from last financial year (2)

What do we plan to do to achieve that target?

- * Undertake to educate Ascension island residents on the dangers of the Fatal 4.

Drink /Drug Driving

Speeding

Using a Mobile Phone when driving

Not wearing a seatbelt.

- * Carry out routine speeding patrols and stop checks
- * Increase our presence outside of the school during drop off/collection.
- * Undertake Intelligence led policing to target persistent offenders.
- * Undertake early morning patrols

What do we need to achieve that target?

- * We need you to report to us confidentially if somebody is putting themselves or others at risk through their actions behind the wheel.
- * We need you to trust that any information given to us will be handled appropriately.
- * We need you to engage in the educational inputs we will provide and understand that they are for everyone's safety.

Why is this a Priority?

People have died on the Roads of Ascension. These deaths have touched many of you and almost all road deaths are avoidable. The Fatal 4 do not just affect the driver, they affect the passengers, the pedestrians walking home, the children on the way to school and therefore the whole community.

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Policing Priority 4 — Improving Community Spirit by focusing on providing community projects and activities which will improve the environment and provide diversion from Anti-Social activities.

Our Target

- * To make use of areas on the island that are currently unused to provide community activities such as Paintball, Foot Golf, Outdoor Gym areas, Youth Centres/Hangouts
- * Making improvements to existing facilities— Skate park/Football Pitch in GT
- * Regular Litter Picks island Wide
- * Days of Action to improve Beach huts/Community Centres/Play areas
- * To provide organised activities for Children

What do we plan to do to achieve that target?

- * Organise and Advertise events to encourage residents to get involved in island wide improvements focusing on Youth activities first.
- * Seek the views of residents to prioritise what action we take.
- * Utilise as many recyclable materials as possible—Upcycling.

What do we need to achieve that target?

- * The community to get involved in both the decision making process and the practical side of what is decided.
- * Support from Local employers with regards to skilled labour and materials.
- * Consistent support from Island residents to provide encouragement to those seeking to make improvements to the Island.

Why is this a Priority?

Our primary focus as the Police is to preserve life whilst preventing and detecting crime. We are fortunate to have a low crime rate here, however what we do have is a younger population who have very little to do. By providing activities we prevent any interest in seeking alternative anti-social past times and at the same time we improve our surroundings AND teach our younger members of society important practical lessons whilst valuing their creative inputs. We also develop better relationships between the police and our Youth.

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Ascension Island Policing Detachment Values

“Public Service is at the core of all we do, protecting & serving our community & delivering a safe environment for all through...”

Professionalism

Acting in a professional manner in all our dealings with our community, wider government and other organisations

Being Open and Communicative

Being hard working, committed and dedicated to protecting our community

Respect & Dignity

Dealing with everyone fairly and ethically and challenging discrimination

Ensuring confidentiality when needed by our community and colleagues

Valuing people and the work they do

Honesty & Integrity

Working to be trusted by our community and colleagues to do the right thing

Protecting and serving our community in an honest and impartial way without prejudice

Acting in a way that doesn't abuse or compromise our standing in the community

Courage

Having courage to deal with situations that are difficult or hazardous

Standing up for what is right

Taking personal responsibility for our actions

Having the confidence to challenge unprofessional behaviour

Supportiveness

Being adaptive and flexible in our approach to problems to ensure our community and colleagues are supported

Being loyal and committed to immediate and wider teams.

Compassion

Taking time to listen, understand and value others' point of view

Showing people we care and acting courteously

Accepting we don't have all the answers