



Betty's Bay Neighbourhood Watch

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Dear members

OPENING STATEMENT

1. I would like to put you at ease and inform you that your neighbourhood watch is alive and well. We were never dormant and are not currently dormant.

C 19

2. Yes C 19 gave us a bit of a wakeup call and we had to adjust, change tactics and ensure that everything possible and available could be used to ensure our safety. The 60 year old restriction hit us unexpectedly but it did not knock us down. We realized straight of the bat that patrolling would be problematic as well as responding to emergency and crime reports.

OUR SOLUTION

3. We approached ASK, BOLT, CULIVE and Sandown Bay for help. With no hesitation at all, each security company owner, manager and operator opened their valuable resources to us. This meant BBNW patrolling could be suspended during C 19 and the security companies would respond to each and every call we made to them. They did just that and continue to do so.

AGREEMENT

4. We have agreed to continue with this method or best practice of operation going forward. We issued our radios to them in order to communicate with each other at night. The current radios proved to be inadequate for our purpose. Because of this problem we decided to purchase cell phone radios to fix the communication problem. The radios will arrive the first week of September. Spring present thank you to your donations once again.

SECURITY STEPPING UP TO THE PLATE FOR THE COMMUNITY

5. The security companies have proven without a doubt that they like us have the community of Betty's Bay at heart. They now effectively form the BBNW Armed Response team. They are always around the corner and properly trained to deal with intrusions and crime much more professionally and effectively than we are, so I am extremely thankful to have them on-board. They will respond to any emergency that we report to them on the new radio network regardless of who it is. When you phone in your emergency to the BBNW Communications Centre (BBNW ComCen), the armed response team of the security companies will respond and we will follow up as backup to them and take care of other needs you might have. This extra service and partnership to help us, is provided free of charge, over and above their normal duties.

INFO ON OPERATIONS

6. We have agreed to go live every evening at 20:00 to 08:00 the next morning. BBNW is ready to deal with day time activities although we may call on them during the day as well. We can only thank and support our security companies.

PATROLS

7. You may have noticed that I ride around Betty's Bay with my neighbourhood watch sign proudly plucked on the side of my car. I am not yet 60 years of age and may attend to any need you have. My riding around does in any way constitute a patrol either, as some are led to believe. I also do not ask any active members of the BBNW to assist me unless it is absolutely necessary and certainly not the 60 and over group. Be assured we are here for you as you have mandated us at the last AGM.

BETTER STRUCTURED

8. In our new partnership with the security companies we are more and better equipped in keeping everyone in Betty's Bay safer than we have ever been.

STRUCTURE

9. We have an executive committee of 4 members. (admin, strategy, finance, security information conduit and data). We have an active membership of 15 members, of which 7 are under 60 years of age and therefore may patrol and do their voluntary duties as normal. The 8 active members who are over 60 years of age are going to be categorized as passive members except for the executive who will remain as administrators. Our executive will have 2 over and 2 under 60 years of age. We have a registration of over 700 members and climbing to which the over 60 active members will be added. May I use this opportunity to thank you all for your help, advice, support and contributions. You as passive members are what make BBNW successful, with all the reports we receive (eyes and ears). Thank you and keep it up.

INVITATION

10. Let me also use this opportunity to invite all the young guns, male and female to come and join our group of volunteers in combating crime, because believe me when I say things are not getting easier and official support is often problematic.

COMCEN

11. To contact the BBNW communications centre please phone: 0720155729 or me directly at 0829281260 to report your emergency or a crime that is being committed. For reporting poaching activities please use the current whatsapp groups with your pics and descriptions. You may whatsapp me privately as well for poaching. We are one community and we need to unit under one umbrella with one voice to be effective, and we are striving to do just that. For those who show no interest or support will be protected by us anyway.

GROUP PLATFORM AND STREET NUMBERS

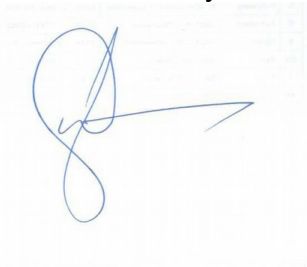
12. I also would like us all to eventually move over to telegram and move away from whatsapp. It would also help us as the BBNW and security companies if each and every one of us had street numbers up on our walls of our homes and properties. I am aware of the numbering changes in Diastella Rd and one or two other places in Betty's Bay. Easy fix.

LAND GRABS

13. This is an important and urgent matter to me. May I say that if anyone across Betty's Bay see or hear of any structure going up on a plot, piece of land or backyard, please inform us immediately. This will be considered an emergency. We will then clarify and inform the correct authorities.

14. The BBNW under the umbrella and guidance of the CPF and in partnership with ASK, BOLT, CULIVE and Sandown Bay intend to grow and create a safer community.

Be cool and stay safe.



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