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NOTE

Public safety services in an improvement district are only for public space. The 24-7 public safety patrol service provided to the Muizenberg Improvement District by GRIT is focused on making it safe for people to walk in the streets and enjoy public spaces. This top-up service does not replace the services already provided by the South African Police Services (SAPS), Law Enforcement and Metro Police. Please take note that the MID Public Safety Patrollers are not permitted to enter private property and residents are responsible for their own home security and safety.

That said, GRIT recognizes that what happens in public space affects the entire MID Community. This is why we collaborate closely with MCSI (the Neighbourhood Watch) the MID Social Worker, Law Enforcement and SAPS to identify social problems, crime hot spots and trends in the way criminals operate. This helps all of us involved in crime prevention to focus our efforts effectively.

At a glance – locations of crime incidents and by-law infringements responded to:



Crime Incidents		By-Law Infringements	
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Summary Overview - 2018

Incidents/Activities	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Total	444	415	469	371	416	316	457	463				
Routine	415	382	417	350	384	302	431	420				
By-Law infringements	6	3	15	3	14	9	6	13				
Suspicious Activity	5	3	6	6	4	0	4	11				
Crime	17	21	13	7	3	0	10	13				
Stakeholder Engagement	2	3	7	3	2	2	2	2				
Ad-hoc	4	6	11	2	9	3	4	4				

1. Crime Incident Response¹

Theft				
	Date	Location	Detail	Outcome
1	05-08-2018 13:06	Cromer Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting two men attempted to jump a perimeter fence but were disturbed by noise coming from a neighbour's house. The men ran towards Capricorn.	The MID Officer Senzo with the assistance of the Response Officer arrested the men in Axminster road they were taken to the police station. Nothing was stolen from the property. It is unknown if the home owner opened a case.
2	06-08-2018 09:00	Palmer Road	Responded to MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting someone smashed the window of a white Polo.	MID Public Safety Officer Senzo report nothing was stolen from the vehicle. It is unknown if the owner opened a case.
3	13-08-2018 14:55	Palmer Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting a gray bicycle was stolen that was left unchained near a wheelie bin.	The MID Public Safety Officer Fabian reported the bicycle was found near Capricorn. It is unknown if the owner opened a case.
4	13-08-2018 17:10	Royal Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting a woman was robbed while opening the gate of her complex.	MID Officer Fabian responded but the incident was reported 45 minutes later and the men had left the area.
5	16-08-2018 02:30	Royal Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting a attempted house break in.	MID Public Safety Officer Fabian reported that the men left the area. Nothing was stolen from the house only the gate was damaged. The MID Officer was placed on high alert monitoring the area for the suspects.
6	18-08-2018 23:30	Palmer Road	Responded to a WhatsApp alert reporting a white bakkie is being stolen by two men.	The MID Public Safety Officer Fabian reported that the bakkie was traced and found in Prince George drive. It is unknown if the owner opened a case.
7	23-08-2018 21:35	Cromer Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting street kids are trying to break into white Opel.	The MID Officer Senzo reported he found two adult males walking up and down in the street. When the men saw the MID vehicle approaching they ran towards the Vlei footbridge.
8	24-08-2018 05:38	Watson Road	MID Public Safety Officer Fabian spotted three men each walking with bags. The men saw the MID vehicle approaching them. They dropped the bags and started running towards Vlei road.	The MID Officer found the men hiding near bushes. The men broke into a garage and allegedly set the place alight. The control room contacted Muizenberg police who in turn notified the fire department. The men were taken to the police station and the owner opened a case.
9	25-08-2018 02:00	Palmer Road	MID Public Safety Officer Fabian reported a man who wanted to jump a fence.	The MID Officer reported the man told him he was looking for a place to sleep. The man was body searched and no house break in implements was found on him. The man was warned and closely monitored as he left the area.
10	25-08-2018 05:38	Clevedon Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting a red Jetta is being pushed out of the area.	The MID Officer Chris reported there was no trace of the vehicle. The MID Officer was placed on high alert monitoring the road. The owner of the vehicle could not be traced at the time of the theft. It's unknown if the owner opened a case.
11	31-08-2018	Milner Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp	The MID Officer Senzo reported the man

¹ While the MID Patrollers record the names of complainants, their addresses and the names and descriptions of those involved in the crime, identifying information is not disclosed in this report.

	23:35		alert reporting a man wearing a red hooded top is trying to break into vehicle.	got away. No vehicles were damaged. The MID Officer patrolled the area for any suspicious behavior.
Total Crime Incidents: 11				
Drug related Activity				
	Date	Location	Detail	Outcome
1	20-08-2018 17:31	Alexander Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting a group of street children sniffing glue.	The MID Public Safety Officer responded he saw the children leaving the area via the Vlei foot bridge.
2	23-08-2018 18:00	Atlantic Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp message reporting a man wearing green work overalls is sniffing glue in the public.	MID Public Safety Officer Zulu responded and confirmed the man had left the area when he was spotted by the MID patrollers approaching him. He was closely monitored while leaving the area.

Suspicious behaviour				
	Date	Location	Detail	Outcome
1	06-08-2018 20:30	Wherry Road	MID Public Safety Officer Bless reported that he saw a man walking up and down in the road.	The MID Officer approached the man and asked him if he was lost. The man said he was looking for his dog. The man found his dog and returned home.
2	09-08-2018 01:01	Palmer Road	MID Officer Fabian saw a man behaving suspiciously looking into cars.	MID Public Safety Officer reported that he body searched the man and no weapons or anything illegal was found on him. The man was asked to move along. The man was closely monitored as he left the area.
3	12-08-2018 11:30	Church Street	MID Public Safety Officer Fabian was approached by a homeless man reporting he found a man passed out in a bakkie.	MID Public Safety Officer Fabian approached the vehicle and found the driver sleeping with his windows open. The driver told the MID Officer that he was tired from a long drive and had pulled over to rest.
4	12-08-2018 20:33	Fraser Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting a couple was walking up and down in the road looking into properties and cars.	MID Public Safety Officer Fabian reported that he found the couple. The man was body searched and no weapons or housebreaking implements were found on him. The couple were asked to move along and were closely monitored as they left the area.
5	14-08-2018 15:37	Vlei Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting two men behaving suspiciously looking around to see if anyone is watching them.	MID Public Safety Officer Fabian found the men. They were body searched and drug paraphernalia were founded on them. The men managed to destroy the tik pipe. They were asked to move along and were closely monitored as they left the area.
6	16-08-2018 22:09	Royal Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting two men are trying to break into a house.	MID Public Safety Officer Fabian saw the men running. The men ran over the Vlei foot bridge. The MID Officers were placed on high alert monitoring the area.
7	19-08-2018 01:24	Royal Road	MID Public Safety Officer Fabian reported he spotted three males walking up and down the road.	The MID Officer Fabian body searched the men and no weapons were found on them. The men were asked to move along they were closely monitored as

				they left the area.
8	21-08-2018 20:59	Milner Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting someone jumping from rooftops.	The MID Public Safety Fabian responded but found no one. The Officer remained on high alert monitoring the area.
9	25-08-2018 12:07	Main Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting two men behaving suspiciously and looking into car windows and driveways.	The MID Officer Zulu report he found the men who he body searched and found no weapons or anything illegal on them. The men were asked to move along. They were closely monitored as they left the area.
10	28-08-2018 23:30	Brockley Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting a man behaving suspiciously walking up and down in the road.	The MID Officer Fabian reported he found the man and he was body searched and a knife was confiscated. The man was asked to move along and closely monitored as he left the area.
11	29-08-2018 00:20	Main Road	Grit control room spotted three men on the cctv cameras walking towards St James looking into vehicles.	MID Officer Fabian reported he found the men. They were body searched and two knives were confiscated. The men moved along out of the area.

Fighting in Public				
1	10-08-2018 11:00	Palmer Road	Responded to MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting two car guards are fighting.	MID Officer Zulu he found the men fighting over turf to park vehicles. They stopped fighting and were asked to move along.
2	15-08-2018 23:55	Main Road	MID Public Safety Officer Tololo reported he saw a man hitting a woman with his fist and pulling her around on the pavement.	The MID Officer Tololo approached the fighting couple and stopped the fight. The woman was asked to open a case with the police but later left with the man in his vehicle.
3	21-08-2018 00:30	Beach Road	MID Public Safety Officer Senzo reported a man and woman fighting in the street.	The MID Officer reported he stopped the fight between the couple. The woman refused to be helped and they made their way towards Lakeside.
4	25-08-2018 13:45	Main Road	MID Public Safety Officer Fabian reported a fight between two car guards.	The MID Public Safety Officer stopped the fight and they moved along to Muizenberg station.

By-L Total Fighting in Public: 4

2. Bylaw infringements

	Date	Location	Detail	Outcome
1	02-08-2018 23:45	Beach Road	MID Bicycle Patrollers reported a group of homeless people were making a fire at the back of the civic.	MID Officer Fabian responded and asked the homeless people to put the fire out. The fire was put out and the group went to go and sleep under the bridge.
2	12-08-2018 14:10	Beach Front	Received a call from a MID resident reporting a group of street children are hassling passersby's for money entering food establishments.	MID Officer Fabian found the street children begging and they were asked to move along and to seek help from social development.
3	19-08-2018 18:00	Main Road	MID Public Safety Officer Tololo reported a group of aggressive street children throwing stones at passing vehicles and hurling abuse at passersby.	The MID Officer Tololo tried approaching the group of children but they ran away towards Beach Road. The children left the area making their way towards Capricorn.
4	25-08-2018 19:30	Main Road	MID Public Safety Officer Tololo reported he found the same group of children that were throwing stones at vehicles defecating near Muizenberg	The MID Officer tried approaching them to inform them to seek help from social services. The children threw stones at the MID Officer then ran away.

			subway.	
5	27-08-2018 22:35	Milner Road	MID Public Safety Officer Senzo reported he found a man making a fire near the electricity substation.	MID Officer Senzo asked the man to put the fire out and not to start fires as it poses a danger to nearby buildings.
6	28-08-2018 20:32	Melrose Street	MID Public Safety Officer Fabian reported he found a homeless man sleeping on the pavement.	MID Officer Fabian told the man he can be hit by a car. The man removed his bedding and moved along to sleep in Atlantic Road.
Drinking of Alcohol in Public				
1	13-08-2018 21:30	Royal Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting a group of street children smoking glue and drinking.	The MID Public Safety Officer Zulu found the children. They were drinking cold drinks they were informed they were being loud and residents were complaining. The children moved along.
2	15-08-2018 14:35	Church Street	MID Public Safety Officer Fabian reported he found a group of men drinking.	MID Officer Fabian warned the men to stop drinking in public or they will be reported to law enforcement. The men left the area in a white Opel.
3	25-08-2018 21:00	Royal Road	MID Public Safety Officer found a group of men drinking on the steps.	The MID Officer asked the men to stop drinking and making a noise. They were warned if they don't stop, law enforcement will be contacted. The men listened and walked to their home in Westbury road.

Total Responses to By-Law infringements: 13

Ad-hoc assistance

Ad-hoc Assistance				
1	14-08-2018 20:35	Atlantic Road	MID Patroller Ntokozo reported he was stopped by a homeless man asking for medical assistance. The man was complaining about sharp pains in his head and legs.	The control room was contacted and the ambulance services were contacted. The man later said he is feeling fine and the ambulance was cancelled.
2	15-08-2018 22:50	Wherry Road	MID Public Safety Officer Fabian reported that he found a gate standing wide open.	The MID Officer managed to close the gate and it seemed like the home owner left the gate open.
3	20-08-2018 17:35	Atlantic Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting a homeless woman fell and hit her head and is unconscious.	The MID Public Safety Officer Senzo went to investigate and found the woman alive and well. The woman said she doesn't know why someone would report that she fell.
4	21-08-2018 09:30	Holland, Hansen and Church Road	MID Public Safety Officer Tololo reported that he found Bin Pickers scratching in the bins and scattered rubble was all over the place.	The MID Officer escorted the bin pickers back to each road to clean up the places they left untidy. After cleaning the area they were asked to move along and not to litter when removing rubbish from the bins.

Total Responses Ad hoc Assistance: 04

3. Routine activities

Activity	Location	Detail
Bin Picking Monitoring	All streets in the MID area Mondays and Wednesdays (9)	MID Public Safety Officers closely monitor bin pickers every Monday and Wednesday morning. Those loitering, looking over property walls, hassling residents or strewing litter in the streets are asked to move along.
Public Safety for train	False Bay station (62)	MID Public Safety Officers stood down daily outside the station during departure of the early morning train and arrival of the late evening train to

commuters		safeguard commuters walking along Albertyn Rd.
Daily Patrols	Albertyn Rd (62)	The Level Crossing access control is monitored throughout the day by the MID Public Safety Officers when they are in the area. The level crossing booms are operational again.
Subway	Vlei foot bridge (31) Church Street Subway (62) Muizenberg Station Subway (62) Muizenberg Park (62) Surfer's Circle Walkway (31)	Routine daily checks
Homeless Count	Atlantic Road, Main Road, Muizenberg Park, Cinnabar, Beach Front, Church Street and Masque Theatre (31)	The MID Public Safety Officers do a daily count of homeless people and car guards and liaise with the MID Social worker and the MID Manager in this regard, discussing new homeless people, structures being erected and problems with street children.
Social Development Field workers	MID Office Atlantic Rd (8)	Logged MID Social Development Fieldworkers on site and off site, when they report into the MID area. Done via WhatsApp.

Total Routine activities: 420

4. Stakeholder Engagement

Meetings attended | Media Publicity | Public Information Sessions

Date	Description
15-08-2018	Noel met with Insp Cerfontyne and discussed the car guards.
16-08-2018	Joint SAPS meeting. Noel attended.

Total Stakeholder Engagement activities: 02

5. Trends and hotspots

Street children
As reported the street children are back in the Muizenberg area and are already causing problems. There are two groups operating in the area currently. The one group are regulars and the other group are new faces to the area. As reported, they are getting more aggressive with their approach while asking for money.
Trend: Tourist information enquiries