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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.

It is 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.

Summary Overview - 2018

Incidents/Activities	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Total	444	415	469									
Routine	415	382	417									
By-Law infringements	6	3	15									
Suspicious Behaviour			6									
Crime	17	21	13									
Stakeholder Engagement	2	3	7									
Ad-hoc	4	6	11									

1. Crime Incident Response¹

Theft				
	Date	Location	Detail	Outcome
1	06-03-2018 03:57	Fraser Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting the owner of a vehicle chased a suspect who tried to break into his vehicle.	The MID Public Safety Officers reported the man got away but patrolled the MID area for any suspicious behavior.
2	07-03-2018 17:22	Main Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting a man threatened a couple with a knife walking towards Checkers.	The MID Public Safety Phumzile found the man with the knife on him near the shopping Centre. The couple refused to open a case with the police. The knife was confiscated by the MID Officer.
3	08-03-2018 09:44	York Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting shots being fired out of white Mercedes.	The MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile responded and reported the incident was allegedly gang related the police was on the scene.
4	10-03-2018 08:15	Main Road	MID Public Officer Phumzile report the Response Officer Lindekile requested for assistance when he saw a man climbing over a fence.	MID Officer Phumzile arrested the man who was running from the response officer. The owner was informed and he opened a case of trespassing.
5	11-03-2018 17:40	Fraser Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting a red Golf with registration CY 93296 was stolen.	The vehicle was found by a MID resident abandoned in Cromer road. It is unknown if the owner opened a case

				with the police.
6	11-03-2018 18:35	Henley Road	MID Public Safety Officer Bless found a man running down the street. The man reported someone stole his car.	The MID Officer reported the man was under the influence of alcohol and falling around. The man ran down Albertyn road towards Lakeside. The MID driver lost track of the man because of the traffic.
7	12-03-2018 12:20	Beach Front	A man came to the Grit Office to report a man stole a dog and was seen walking down Rhodesia road. The MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile found the man in Rhodesia road with the dog and Mountain Men took the dog from the man.	The MID Officer reported the man reporting the incident driving in a Silver Kia came on the scene and hit the alleged suspect with his vehicle. The suspect who became the victim sustained serious head injuries. Cape medical response was contacted by the control room and the man was taken to hospital.
8	19-03-2018 21:35	Royal Road	MID Public Safety Officer Bless report he was patrolling when he saw two men pushing a white Golf appearing nervous while trying to hide their faces. The MID Officer asked them if they needed help but both men scurried in a panic.	The men got into their getaway car and alerted the third man who was coming towards the car and then ran off. The police who was patrolling saw what was happening and gave chase after the getaway vehicle. The police arrested the third suspect on foot near Capricorn. The owner of the vehicle was traced and a case was opened.
9	21-03-2018 12:13	Royal Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting a man wearing a grey jersey tried to break into a vehicle.	The MID Public Safety Officer Bless was on high alert monitoring Royal road from a close distance looking for anyone fitting the description of the suspect. The suspect was not found.
10	22-03-2018 20:36	St. James walkway	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting a man was robbed of his cell phone, sports bag and jacket. The suspect was wearing white pants and white jacket.	The suspect got away and it is unknown if the victim was injured or opened a case with the police. The MID Public Officer Senzo was placed on high alert looking for the suspect fitting the description.
11	28-03-2018 06:45	Clevedon Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting the hijacking of her tenant's vehicle. The man approached the woman and threatened her with a knife held to her throat demanding she give her car keys.	A detailed description of the vehicle and the suspect was given. The Grit control room handed the information over to CVIC License Plate Recognition (LPR) team. The vehicle was found abandoned in Retreat while the LPR team closely monitored the vehicle until Kirstenhof police arrived. The owner opened a case with the police.
12	29-03-2018 06:36	Church Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting someone smashed the window of a white Toyota.	MID Public Safety Officer Bless report he found the car nothing was stolen. The owner could not be traced.
Drug related Activity				
	Date	Location	Detail	Outcome
1	06-03-2018 15:19	Main Road	Responded to a WhatsApp alert reporting a young man sniffing glue.	The MID Public Safety Officer Zulu report he found no one sitting on the pavement sniffing glue.
Total Crime Incidents: 13				

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.

Suspicious behaviour				
	Date	Location	Detail	Outcome
1	01-03-2018 00:48	Dartmouth	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp Alert from Deep Blue reporting two men driving in a white Avanza behaving suspiciously by driving slowly up and down.	The MID Public Safety was informed about the vehicle and remained on high alert monitoring the area. The MID driver didn't find a vehicle fitting the description.
2	09-03-2018 18:00	Hansen Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting a homeless man acting aggressively towards passersby.	MID Public Safety Officer Senzo asked the homeless man to move along and the man adhered and walked towards Lakeside.
3	09-03-2018 21:48	Church Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting a well-known homeless man is allegedly walking around with a concealed machete.	The MID Public Safety Officer Senzo stopped and body searched the man but no weapons or house-breaking implements were found on him. The man was asked to move along and was closely monitored as he left the area. Was not the same man mentioned in Hansen road.
4	11-03-2017 20:23	Holland Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting three males behaving suspiciously peering into vehicles and over fences.	The MID Public Safety Officer Bless report he body searched the men and no weapons or anything illegal were found on them. The men were asked to move along. They were closely monitored by the MID Officer as they left the area.
5	20-03-2018 18:39	Palmer Road	Responded to a WhatsApp alert reporting a man behaving suspiciously looking into cars.	The MID Public Safety Officer report he found the man who confirmed he was looking for work. The man was asked to move along. The driver monitored the man as he left the area because it was very suspicious that he was looking for a job that time of the night.
6	13-03-2018 10:58	Lakeside	Responded to a WhatsApp alert reporting two males that were dropped off out of a vehicle that was triggered on the LPR. The men were making their way towards Muizenberg.	The MID Public Safety was informed about the vehicle and remained on high alert monitoring the area. The two men didn't enter the Muizenberg area.

Fighting in Public				
	Date	Location	Detail	Outcome
1	04-03-2018 11:20	Beach Road	MID Public Safety Officer Senzo reported a man and woman fighting in the street.	The MID Public Safety Office Senzo reported he stopped the fight between the couple and they made their way to False Bay station.
2	14-03-2018 13:14	Surfers Corner	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting two men are chasing each other with a spade and baseball bat.	MID Public Safety Officer Bless reported he found no one fighting on the corner of Surfers corner or near the toilets.
3	14-03-2018 15:08	Beach Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting two car guards are fighting.	MID Public Safety Officer Bless reported he found the couple fighting when he approached them they stopped fighting. The MID Officer asked the female if she wanted to open a case but she refused and walked away with the man who assaulted her.
4	19-03-2018 19:19	Holland Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting a man fighting with a woman.	MID Public Safety Officer Bless found the couple but they were walking home. The woman refused to accept help from the MID Officer.

2. By-Law infringements

	Date	Location	Detail	Outcome
1	01-03-2018 07:15	Atlantic Road	MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile report a truck got stuck under the bridge.	The MID Officer reported law enforcement was on scene. The truck was moved and no injuries were reported.
2	02-03-2018 09:11	Church Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting a man and woman busy bin picking.	The MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile informed the bin pickers to clean up the area where they messed. They complied and moved along.
3	02-03-2018 16:10	Atlantic Road	MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile report a tour bus got stuck under the bridge.	The MID Officer Phumzile report no one was injured and law enforcement was on the scene.
4	06-03-2018 15:56	Atlantic Road	Responded to a WhatsApp alert reporting a truck got stuck under the bridge.	The MID Officer Zulu reported law enforcement was on scene. The truck was moved and no injuries were reported.
5	12-03-2018 10:03	Atlantic Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting a truck ploughed into the low bridge.	The MID Officer reported law enforcement was on scene. The truck was moved and no injuries were reported.
6	15-03-2018 00:45	Church Road	MID Public Safety Officer Senzo report he found a man sleeping on the pavement near Roots Bar.	The homeless who is well known in the area was asked to move along. It was explained to him that it is dangerous sleeping on the pavement. He went to sleep under the bridge in Atlantic road.
7	18-03-2018 04:26	Beach Road	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting a noisy group of people whose car had broken down.	The MID Public Safety Officer Zulu reported he found the group and asked them to be quiet.
8	25-03-2018 22:08	Albertyn Road	Responded to a WhatsApp alert reporting a car guard and his female companion are disturbing the peace by talking and screaming loud.	The MID Public Safety Officer Zulu informed the couple to stop making noises the couple moved along.
9	31-03-2018 08:35	Church Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting a truck damaging a telephone line pole while reversing.	The MID Public Safety Officer Senzo report when he came on the scene the truck driver drove away. No details of the truck were given.
Drinking of Alcohol in Public				
1	03-03-2018 06:38	Beach Front	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting a group of people in a parked car drinking alcohol.	The MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile went out to investigate but found that the vehicle had already left
2	20-03-2018 20:45	Muizenberg	Responded to a MCSI WhatsApp alert reporting screaming and shouting coming from the kramat.	The MID Public Safety Officer Bless found two men drinking near the burial site. They were asked to move along.

Total Responses to By-Law infringements: 15

Ad-hoc assistance

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1	03-03-2018 2018	Fraser Road	MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile reporting four broken street lights.	The control room was informed and the faulty street lights were reported to the City of Cape Town.
2	12-03-2018 21:15	Main Road	MID Public Safety Officer Bless found an elderly man experiencing car problems standing alone in a poor lit area.	MID Public Safety Officer Bless helped the man by starting his car. The man was grateful and drove home safely.
3	13-03-2018 06:00	Main Road	MID Public Safety Officer Senzo found a man sleeping in his truck. The MID Officer knocked on the window and he	The MID Officer requested the control room to contact the ambulance. The man was taken to hospital by the

			could see the man needed medical help.	ambulance and the owner of the truck was contacted and informed about his driver that fell ill.
4	21-03-2018 22:50	Wherry Road	MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile report he found a gate that was left open.	The MID Officer managed to close the gate.
5	26-03-2018 22:28	Rhodesia Road	MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile reporting four broken street lights.	The control room was informed and the faulty street lights were reported to the City of Cape Town.

Total Reponses Ad hoc Assistance: 05

3. Routine activities

Activity	Location	Detail
Bin Picking Monitoring	All streets in the MID area Mondays and Wednesdays (10)	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 commuters	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 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 (4)	Logged MID Social Development Fieldworkers on site and off site, when they report into the MID area. Done via WhatsApp.

Total Routine activities: 417

4. Stakeholder Engagement

Meetings attended | Media Publicity | Public Information Sessions

Date	Description
02-03-2018	St James SRA meeting with LE. Noel attended.
07-03-2018	Cleaners meeting and walk about. Noel and cleaners attended.
12-03-2018	Car guard meeting with LE, SAPS and MID. Noel attended.
13-03-2018	Meeting Baileys Cottage and walkabout on Catwalk with LE and MID. Noel attended.
15-03-2018	SAPS joint meeting. Noel attended.
26-03-2018	Easter weekend planning meeting. Noel attended.
29-03-2018	Cleaners meeting. Noel and cleaners attended.

Total Stakeholder Engagement activities: 7

5. Trends and hotspots

Street children
Street children is going around in the MID trying to sell young dogs to the public. A few incidents was report and on 2 occasions the dogs was taken away from them and handed over to TEARS.
Trend: Tourist information enquiries/