

**Grit Security Services** 



MID Public Safety Tel no: 060 850 6260

#### **NOVEMBER 2017**

Start date 01-11-2017 End date 30-11-2017

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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 Neighborhood 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:





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Crime Incidents	By-Law Infringements	

#### Summary Overview 2016-2017

Incidents/Activities	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Total	312	324	304	386	270	346	372	402	379	343	349	369	
Routine	252	276	260	256	248	318	342	353	353	312	322	340	
By-Law infringements	12	17	18	8	8	3	6	10	1	2	2	8	
Crime	17	17	11	14	8	13	10	25	18	22	15	10	
Stakeholder Engagement	4	2	6	5	4	7	5	8	1	4	4	7	
Ad-hoc	27	12	9	5	2	5	9	6	6	3	6	4	

### 1. Crime Incident Response<sup>1</sup>

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	Date	Location	Detail	Outcome
1	01-11-2017 13:30	Killarney Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting someone jumped his fence and stole a grey gas cylinder.	MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile reported that he patrolled around the area but found no one walking around with a gas cylinder. It is unknown if the owner opened a case. Whilst we do not respond to incidents on private property, our response officer checked the area whilst doing his routine patrols.
2	01-11-2017 07:56	Sunrise Beach	Received a WhatsApp alert reporting four men tried stealing a car three were arrested and one got away and was last seen running towards Muizenberg.	The MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile and the Patrollers were placed on high alert monitoring the area and checked if the suspects enter from that side.
3	09-11-2017 15:36	Watson Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting a man wearing grey track pants, white cap and red long sleeve top jumped her neighbor's fence.	MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile patrolled around the MID area doing his routine patrols and he could not find the man who jumped over the fence
4	02-11-2017 18:04	St James	MCSI WhatsApp alert received reporting six men on the catwalk are throwing stones towards oncoming traffic.	MID Public Safety Officer Hans patrolled and monitored the area for suspicious behavior but found no one throwing stones.
5	12-11-2017 11:25	Albertyn Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting a woman is trying to take her own life and need help. The police were immediately contacted.	MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile report he found a distressed woman and managed to calm her down. The police arrived and the woman was taken to the police station where she received further

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 7While the MID Patrollers record the names of complainants, their addresses and the names and descriptions of those inv8olved in the crime, identifying information is not disclosed in this report.



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6	12-11-2017	Maynard Poad	Received a call from a MID resident	MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile
0	10:30	Maynard Road	reporting his garage was broken into and two bicycles were stolen.	patrolled in the area the owner gave a description of the bicycles and a case was opened with the police. The complainant confirmed that the incident could have happened earlier the morning.
7	12-11-2017 13:40	Beach Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting a car guard entered a property without permission to drink water.	MID Public Safety Officer Hans and the foot patrollers responded but found no one fitting the description given by the neighbor. The Patrollers were placed on high alert while doing their patrols.
8	14-11-2017 22:30	Beach Road	MID Public Safety Officer Hans found an abandoned white Ford escort, registration CY 14333. At 01:30 MCSI reported via whatsapp that two men were fighting. The man witnessed how the other man stole a wheel.	MID Officer Hans could not trace the owner and the right hand front wheel was missing. The police were informed. After the MCSI alert, MID Public Safety Officer confronted the alleged thief who had stolen the wheel from a vehicle. SAPS arrived on the scene and the alleged thief was taken to the police station and the owner of the vehicle opened a case of theft.
9	16-11-2017 14:57	Holland Road	MID Public Safety Officer Hans and Response Officer Fabian confiscated a stolen puppy from a man. The Officers were able to locate the owner.	An MID resident has been reunited with her puppy after it was stolen and it is unknown if the owner opened a case with the police.
10	19-11-2017 04:41	York Road	MID Foot Patrollers Maku and Zibonele reported they found a white Golf with the left hand passenger side window smashed.	MID Patroller Maku reports that they disturbed the suspects who ran away towards the mountain. The owner could not be traced.
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Susp	icious behavior			
	Date	Location	Detail	Outcome
1	04-11-2017 18:56	St James	MCSI WhatsApp alert received reporting a man walking with a concealed stick.	MID Public Safety Officer Hans report he patrolled along Muizenberg Station to see if he could find the man fitting the description. The MID Officer stood down in Beach road near the walk way monitoring any suspicious acts and behavior.
2	06-11-2017 17:00	York Road	WhatsApp alert received reporting a man in his mid-twenties is harassing passersby's.	MID Public Safety Officer Zulu responded to the call and the man was asked to move along, the man was monitored as he left the area towards Capricorn.
3	09-11-2017 04:54	Alexander Road	MCSI WhatsApp alert received reporting someone tampering with vehicles in the road.	MID Public Safety Officer Zulu responded to the call and he reported that he found no one tampering with the vehicles nor smashed windows from the vehicles parked in the road.
4	17-11-2017 20:41	Holland Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting two men are standing on the corner behaving suspiciously by peering into properties in the vicinity.	MID Public Safety Officer Zulu reported that he found the men and they were body searched no weapons or illegal substances were found on them. The men were asked to move along and their movements were monitored as they left the area towards Capricorn.
5	17-11-2017 20:28	Holland Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting two men behaving suspiciously by their demeanor and body language.	MID Public Safety Officer Zulu reported he found the men and they were searched. No house breaking implements were found on them. The men were asked to move along and left area walking towards Lakeside area.
6	20-11-2017 16:12	Wherry Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting a man standing on the corner behaving suspiciously by watching people entering their properties.	MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile reported that he found the man. The man was searched and no weapons were found on him. The man was asked to move along and he walked towards Capricorn area.
7	22-11-2017 04:10	Watson Road	MID Patrollers Siyabonga and Bless were patrolling the area watching for suspicious activity when they heard strange noises coming from a property.	MID Patrollers saw a man trying to steal a white Quantum, the man was apprehended by the Patrollers and MID Public Safety Officer Hans. The owner of the vehicle was informed and a case was opened with the police.
8	28-11-2017	Atlantic Road	A man came to the Grit Office	Cape medical response was contacted by



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13:20	at the Bridge	reporting two men were injured after their truck drove under the bridge. One victim was lying on the road and the other was still in the truck which only stopped at Sunrise Circle.	a bystander. The MID driver stood down on the scene to help with directing traffic. The two injured people with head injuries were taken to the hospital.

Figh	nting in Public			
	Date	Location	Detail	Outcome
1	11-11-2017 08:20	Beach Road	MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile found a couple in a physical fight.	The MID Officer Phumzile reported that when the couple saw him approaching them, they walked away and the woman got into the vehicle and drove away.
2	17-11-2017 22:50	York Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting three men are fighting in front of Oroboros.	MID Public Safety Officer Zulu report the men were asked by other patrons to leave. The men were monitored by the MID Officer as they got into their vehicle and drove away.

Total Crime Incident Reponses: 10

## 2. By-Law infringements

	Date	Location	Detail	Outcome
1	02-11-2017 16:45	Hansen Road	MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile report a white mini bus taxi was speeding down the opposite direction of traffic.	MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile report the driver was oblivious to the near accident he might have caused and continued to speed away. The MID Officer could not get the registration number of the taxi.
2	14-11-2017 19:20	Muizenberg Park	Received a call from a MID resident reporting two women are sleeping in the park.	MID Public Safety Officer Hans informed the women to seek help and assistance from the social worker. The women were asked to move along and monitored as they left the area towards Lakeside.
3	18-11-2017 12:30	Church Road	MCSI WhatsApp received reporting about a man who had too much alcohol was sitting and sleeping on	MID Public Safety Officer found the man and he was asked to move along as he is putting himself at risk of being hit by



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			the pavement.	oncoming traffic. The man was closely monitored as he walked to his home in Cromer road.
4	22-11-2017 01:15	Rhodesia Road	MID Patroller Hans and Response Officer Chris heard a man shouting and banging on a gate at Echo backpackers.	MID Public Safety Officer Hans informed the man he is disturbing the peace. The man explained he paid for one of the rooms but now he is locked out. The MID Officer advised the man to go the police station for help. The man then went up to the police station.
5	21-11-2017 10:35	Atlantic Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting a man dumping a box containing plastic in front of the library.	The man was warned by the MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile to clear his rubble or he will fined by Law Enforcement for a littering offence. The box and rubble was cleared and the man was asked to move along he was closely monitored by the MID Officer as he left the area towards Capricorn.
6	23-11-2017 13:10	Muizenberg Park	Received a call from a MID resident reporting a group of people shouting and screaming.	MID Public Safety Officer Zulu found the group who were holding a Church Sermon. They were informed that they are disturbing the peace the group continued quietly and no further complaints were received.
	Drinking of Alco	ohol in Public		
1	10-11-2017 23:00	Royal Road	Received a call from a MID resident reporting a group of people drinking in the road.	MID Public Safety Officer Zulu report the men were asked to move along. The men left the area walking towards Capricorn.
2	15-11-2017 14:57	Royal Road	MID Cleaner reported people are drinking in public.	MID Public Safety Officer Hans found the men and they were asked to move along the men left the area walking towards Capricorn.

Total Reponses to By-Law infringements: 8

#### 3. Ad-hoc Assistance

1	04-11-2017 13:15	Main Road	MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile reported he could see smoke coming up through an open window at Bellamy and Bellamy.	MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile immediately requested for control to call the fire brigade and ambulance. It was later established that no one was injured and the fire was put out successfully with no serious damage done.
2	17-11-2017	Muizenberg	Received a call from a MID resident	MID Public Safety Officer Hans and the



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	01:00		asking if we could help her in finding her son who is suicidal after a breakup with his girlfriend.	Response officer Fabian patrolled around the area but could not find the man. The woman went to the police station to report her son missing.
3	22-11-2017 14:56	Atlantic Road	MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile reported that a driver got his truck wedged under the bridge and obstructing the traffic flow.	MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile diverted the traffic safely around the truck. There were no injuries sustained.
4	24-11-2017 18:23	Wherry Road	MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile reported that he found a gate standing wide open.	MID Public Safety Officer Phumzile arrived at the house and closed the gate.

Total Reponses Ad hoc Assistance: 4

#### 4. Routine activities

Activity	Location	Detail
Bin Picking Monitoring	All streets in the MID area Mondays and Wednesdays (8)	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 refrain and move along.  Our intervention is non-aggressive but consistent and we are pleased to report that no complaints were received from MID
Public Safety for train commuters	False Bay station (60)	residents during November.  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.

Activity	Location	Detail
Public Safety at Albertyn Level Crossing	Albertyn Rd	The Level Crossing access control is monitored throughout the day by the MID Public Safety Officers when they are in the area. They alert the relevant authorities if they find that there are no authorized controllers at the level crossing.
Daily Patrols	Vlei foot bridge (30) Church Street Subway (60) Muizenberg Station Subway (60) Muizenberg Park (62) Surfer's Circle Walkway (30) Catwalk (30)	Day and night patrol shifts monitored suspicious activity, erection of new structures and criminal activity.



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Homeless people and Car Guard Count	MID AREA	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: 340

## 5. Stakeholder Engagement

Meetings attended | Media Publicity | Public Information Sessions

Date	Description
16-11-2017	Cleaning and Greening service review. Chevone, Karen, Teuns and Noel.
21-11-2017	Solid waste site meeting. Chevone, Ricardo and Noel.
22-11-2017	MID Public Safety Service Review and festive season planning. Chevone, Heide, Teuns and Noel.
23-11-2017	MID AGM. Teuns and Noel attend.
09-11-2017	Meeting with Rory (safety Liaison Consultant) and Noel
15-11-2017	Meeting with Rory (safety Liaison Consultant) and Noel
30-11-2017	Meeting with Rory (safety Liaison Consultant) and Noel

Total Stakeholder Engagement activities:

## 6. Trends and hotspots

Wherry Road Triangle now included in the MID				
Robberies and muggings				