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## FULL COMPLEMENT OF POLICE OFFICERS READY FOR NARRANDERA SHIRE

Today Chief Inspector John Wadsworth introduced a full complement of NSW Police officers for Narrandera Police station, with an officer also based at the newly renovated Barellan Police station.

The increase in Narrandera from as low as four officers during late 2017 to early 2018 will now see 12 active general duty officers on the ground protecting our community. This boost means that response times will be quick and effective, creating a safer place for Narrandera and Barellan residents.

Mayor Cr Neville Kschenka said of the announcement, "This is an excellent outcome for Narrandera Shire. It's the result of strong advocacy on behalf of the Shire, by both Narrandera Shire Council and our Local Member Steph Cooke MP. That Barellan also now has a police officer is further indications of the support we are receiving from NSW Police to best service our Shire."

"I would like to express my gratitude to the long standing officers at Narrandera Station who have worked hard during the difficult times when police numbers were well below full strength. Narrandera is a great place to live and I am pleased to see police and their families able to move here and become a part of our wonderful community," Mayor Kschenka continued.

Chief Inspector John Wadsworth described how a full complement of officers will now benefit Narrandera Shire, "The town now has adequate policing to run multiple shifts and be not just reactive but proactive, getting out into the community a lot more."



*Narrandera Shire Council Councillor Barbara Bryon and Jenny Clarke OA, General Manager George Cowan, Local Member Steph Cooke and Mayor Neville Kschenka stand together with the full complement of police officers for Narrandera Shire.*

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