

Response to question on notice

Questions on Notice Paper No 9

5 September 2025

Question No. 541

Mr Peter Cain MLA: To ask the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services —

1. Since the tabling of petitions PET-016-25 and E-PET-046-24 on 8 April 2025 regarding crime in Hawker, Page and Scullin, how many ACT Policing patrols have been conducted in each suburb.
2. Of the patrols referred to in part (1), how many were (a) on foot and (b) by vehicle.
3. What specific measures have ACT Policing or the Government implemented in direct response to the petitions referred to in part (1).
4. Since the tabling of the petitions referred to in part (1), (a) how many petty crimes have been reported to ACT Policing in Hawker, Page, and Scullin, (b) how many of these reports have been fully investigated, and (c) how many have resulted in either an arrest or an offender being apprehended while committing the offence.

DR MARISA PATERSON MLA - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

[Answer]

1. At this time, ACT Policing are not capturing data specific to a patrol's presence within a suburb in the ACT. Instead, I can provide the below ACT Policing figures which represent the number of incidents attended by police from 8 April 2025 to the end of August 2025 in the suburbs of Hawker, Page and Scullin.

Incidents attended by ACT Policing by selected suburbs

Suburb	APR25*	MAY25	JUN25	JUL25	AUG25	Total
HAWKER	10	29	39	27	26	131
PAGE	7	17	13	18	16	71
SCULLIN	10	36	19	23	19	107

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*08 April to 30 April 2025

Source: CAD as at 15 Sep 2025

2. Unfortunately I am unable to provide statistics on whether the police responses were on foot or by vehicle as the data is not broken into these categories.

3. ACT Policing, specifically Belconnen Station General Duties officers, routinely conduct policing patrols in all Belconnen suburbs of the ACT including Hawker, Scullin and Page.

To address concerns in the Belconnen region, ACT Policing has implemented the *North District Community Engagement Strategy* which involves:

- Proactive high visibility patrolling
- Commercial and community engagement
- Tailored engagement
- Intelligence and data analytics
- Resourcing (utilising members from North District response teams).

ACT Policing's leadership team at Belconnen Police Station has been highly vigilant with engagement in West Belconnen. ACT Policing's Officer in Charge of Belconnen Police Station has indicated that officers are keen to continue building relationships with business owners and residents in suburbs such as Hawker, Page and Scullin.

4.

(a) ACT Policing have provided the below figures on the number of 'petty crimes' committed from 8 April 2025 to the end of August 2025 in the suburbs of Hawker, Page and Scullin. Please note that 'petty crimes' are defined as theft (excluding vehicle theft) and property damage.

Theft and Property Damage by selected suburbs(HAWKER,PAGE,SCULLIN) by clearance type

Cleared	APR25*	MAY25	JUN25	JUL25	AUG25	Total
Other theft	5	6	10	5	14	40
Property damage	1	2	7	3	8	21
All	6	8	17	8	22	61

*08 April to 30 April 2025

Source: PROMIS as at 15 Sep 2025

(b) ACT Policing takes all reports of criminal activity seriously and is committed to pursuing all reasonable investigative opportunities within the confines of the law in every instance.

(c) ACT Policing have provided the below figures on the results of petty crime reports from 8 April 2025 to the end of August 2025 in the suburbs of Hawker, Page and Scullin.

Theft and Property Damage by selected suburbs (HAWKER,PAGE,SCULLIN) by clearance type

Cleared	APR25*	MAY25	JUN25	JUL25	AUG25	Total
ARREST	1	0	0	1	0	2
COMPLAINT WITHDRAWN BY VICTIM	1	0	3	1	1	6
NOT CLEARED	4	7	12	6	20	48
UNFOUNDED	0	1	2	0	1	4
Total	6	8	17	8	22	61

*08 April to 30 April 2025

Source: PROMIS as at 15 Sep 2025

Caveat: The 'cleared' type is the outcome of the investigation into the offence. If an investigation establishes an offence was committed but an offender cannot be identified, then the offence clearance type is 'not cleared'. If an investigation could not establish an offence was committed, the offence clearance type is 'unfounded'.

Approved for circulation to the Member and incorporation into Hansard.



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Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services

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