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LOCAL POLICE SUCCESSFULLY PUSH DOWN CRIME

Member for Castle Hill Ray Williams has praised the work of the hard-working men and women in The Hills Local Area Command for their excellent work to reduce local crime.

Mr Williams said the latest quarterly data from the Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR) reflects the tireless efforts of local police and the cooperation of the community.

In the 24 months to December 2015, only one of the 17 major offence categories showed a significant upward trend state-wide, while seven offences were trending down.

Mr Williams said local data from the Castle Hill electorate followed the state-wide trend, with many offences stable or trending down.

“I am very proud to see a downward trend in the following major crime categories in The Hills Shire:

- Non-domestic violence related assault is down 10.3%
- Steal from dwelling is down 14.7%
- Malicious damage to property is down 17%

“I credit these results to the proactive work of our local police and their efforts to investigate and prosecute crime across our community,” Mr Williams said.

BOCSAR has again identified increases in prohibited drug possession throughout NSW, including a 30.6 percent increase in amphetamine possession and a 35.9 percent increase in cocaine possession.

“The secondary crime statistics relating to drug possession remain a concern and highlights the need for the NSW Liberals & Nationals Government to continue to implement our targeted plan to stamp out drugs and support affected communities,” Mr Williams said.

“Data relating to drug possession showcases the success of the NSW Police Force to find drugs in our communities, hold dealers to account and deter further use.

“The NSW Government is committed to providing our local police with the resources they need to protect the community and today’s report showcases this success.”

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