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First Response Policing Agreement Dispute at Mudgee

The Mudgee Branch of the Police Association are meeting to try and resolve the First Response Policing Dispute to protect the community of Mudgee

“Our members in Mudgee are trying to secure enough Police rostered on to ensure that calls from the Public for assistance can be responded to and that sufficient officers are working to provide our members with a safe working environment”, said Sue Rose the Associations Executive Member for Western NSW.

Mudgee Branch of the PANSW has been in Dispute for 12 months with NSWPF but are no closer to a resolution despite the dispute having gone all the way to Deputy Commissioner and to the Manager Employee Relations.

“The situation is ridiculous, this is about the safety of the community of Mudgee and the safety of our members. Our members are asking for the bare minimum, but NSWPF don’t even want to guarantee a station officer on dayshift. This is the head station for the LAC and the public won’t even be able to attend the station and report their concerns to a Constable”, said Executive member Sue Rose.

Mudgee Branch are also seeking guarantees that a supervisor will be rostered and maintained 24/7 in accordance with Policy.

“The Policy is clear, Work Health and Safety legislation is clear, NSWPF have numerous convictions under OH&S legislation relating to lack of supervision, instruction and training but yet NSWPF still won’t guarantee 24/7 coverage of a supervisor at Mudgee. If this was a Command in the city, they would have three supervisors working 24/7, our members are only asking for one!”, said Executive member Sue Rose.

The Mudgee Branch of PANSW are holding a meeting in Mudgee this Friday 7th August, 2015 at 11am to vote on further action.

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