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Mayoral Message

Dear Residents



Keeping the community safe is at the forefront of everything we do here at Council.

And I know our local Police work tirelessly day in and day out to keep our community safe. We should be proud of the work they do for us and not feel threatened or anxious walking past a police officer in the community.

We've been joining forces with local Police to reduce crime rates, and I'm proud to see the latest statistics show a downward trend of crime in Canterbury-Bankstown. We're also under the NSW State average for the number of criminal offences in our City.

Just last year, I joined our new commander of the Bankstown Local Area Command, Superintendent Adam Johnson, to meet locals and hear any concerns. It was great to see so many people wanting to express their gratitude for the work Police do and reinforce how much they enjoyed seeing Police out and about.

And we will continue working together to engage the community and achieve our shared goal of

keeping Canterbury-Bankstown safe for all.

Council staff, along with local Police officers, will be doing the rounds to each ward in the City to chat to locals about crime prevention initiatives in their area. Throughout the year, they will be visiting all the town centres in our City, starting today at Roselands Shopping Centre.

I encourage you all to come along and meet the Council staff and Police at these outreach sessions, chat about any concerns you may have and learn about what initiatives are happening in your area.

To find out when they will be at a location near you, visit **[cb.city/LocalSafetySessions](https://www.cb.city/LocalSafetySessions)**

Keeping the community safe is a joint effort and we must all do our bit to stay informed and achieve the best outcome.

Yours sincerely,



Clr Khal Asfour
MAYOR