

HPP Performance – February 2022

Summary

Public Safety and Crime Prevention

The month of February showed a 11% decrease in reported incidents (346) when compared to January (389).

There have been a number of opportunistic criminal incidents in recent weeks. HPP again appeal to home owners and businesses to ensure your property is secured, safety gates or doors and windows closed and alarms / beams activated.

A concerning trend has been reported in recent weeks, where beggars walk into people's properties despite there being gates. The SAPS has advised HPP that they cannot do anything about this trespassing unless the person has been warned a few times not to enter the property. We wish to advise all residents to erect no trespassing signage on their properties. This will go a long way in helping SAPS take further action against the trespassers.

Public disorder and vagrancy continue to be an ongoing issue in the CBD. The number of incidents in these categories decreased to 104 compared to January's 196. Of the 104 matters reported, 45 were vagrancy incidents (down from January's figure of 89), 40 loitering incidents (down from the January's figure of 57), 5 unruly behaviour incidents (down from the January figure of 22) and 14 incidents of intoxication, drinking in public and fighting (down from the January figures of 28).

Several of the reported incidents resulted in the arrest of three suspects during the month. Arrests were made up of the following:

- 1 x Arrest for being in possession of house breaking implements.
- 1 x Arrest for being in possession of possible stolen items.
- 1 x Arrest for housebreaking and theft.

Heading out of the festive season, we saw a decrease in the number of doors and windows left open at night. For the month of January we had 11 such reports. However, due to the hot weather, incidents increased to 20 in February.

ALERT: Safety Awareness

Always ensure your property is secured – day and night.

Ensure that you have emergency numbers ([download a printable emergency contacts here](#)) readily available should an incident occur.

[Read more safety tips on the HPP website here.](#)

Contact HPP 24/7 on **087 550 5295**

The busiest suburbs for February were CBD (98 reports, of which 45 were crime related), Westcliff (70 reports, of which 24 were crime related), Industrial Area (28 reports, of which 3 were crime related), Voelklip (29 reports, of which 6 were crime related), Northcliff (27 reports, of which 5 were crime related) and Eastcliff (22 reports, of which 10 were crime related). It is important to note that not all incidents reported are crime related. Many of them are public assistance or preventative action taken by HPP.

Incidence of robberies have decreased in the Still and Church street areas, however, please be cautious when travelling this road and ensure all doors are locked and windows closed. We further ask that you advise your employees who make use of the roads in this area to be attentive, walk in a group if possible and not to use cell phones when in this area. HPP have made contact with Law Enforcement to assist in patrolling this area in the morning. They have been very helpful and placed a vehicle there a few times to discourage the robberies.

HPP continue to carry out Special Operations which include visible foot patrols at night, implementing listening posts at night and conducting “sweeps” of the bushes. During the “sweeps” “vagrant nests” are identified and reported to the Overstrand Law Enforcement offices.

We caution residents to take care when shopping or working in the CBD and while walking the cliff paths and advise that you have the HPP emergency number saved to your phone – 087 550 5295.

Cleansing

The HPP cleaning and clearing services team covers the Cliff Path regularly in sections, namely: Roman Rock to the Marine Hotel; Gearings Point to New Harbour; Hoy’s Koppie and Bekker’s Park and Grotto East to Kraal Rock. In February, a total of 250 black bags, down from 290 in January, were picked up along the path including the cleaning of all the beach and path rubbish bins, as well as parking areas along the Cliff Path.

HPP have noted an increase in illegal dumping in and around the Cliff Path and car parking areas. HPP often receives complaints that the bins have not been cleared in the high tourist nodes. We would like to remind residents that Iphupha, the contractor who cleans portions of the Cliff Path, is not contracted to service any public bins in the Overstrand, all public bins are serviced by the Municipality. Residents are kindly requested to immediately report any incidents of illegal dumping of household waste and garden refuse or builders’ rubble to Overstrand Law Enforcement on 028 313 8996.

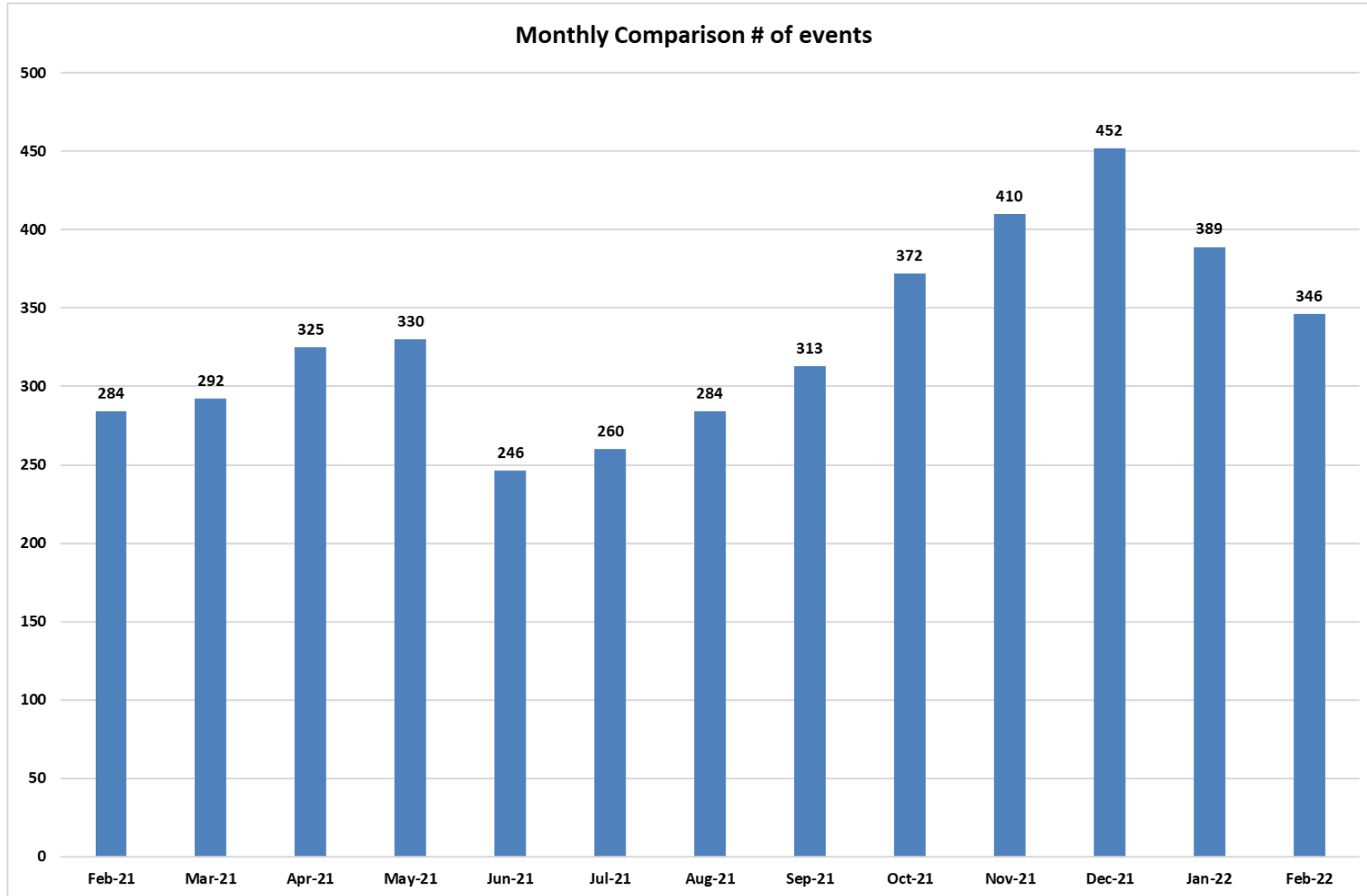
We again appeal to users of the Cliff Path to adhere to the by-laws and work together to ensure that the Cliff Path remains a top attraction and a joyful experience for everyone who uses it.

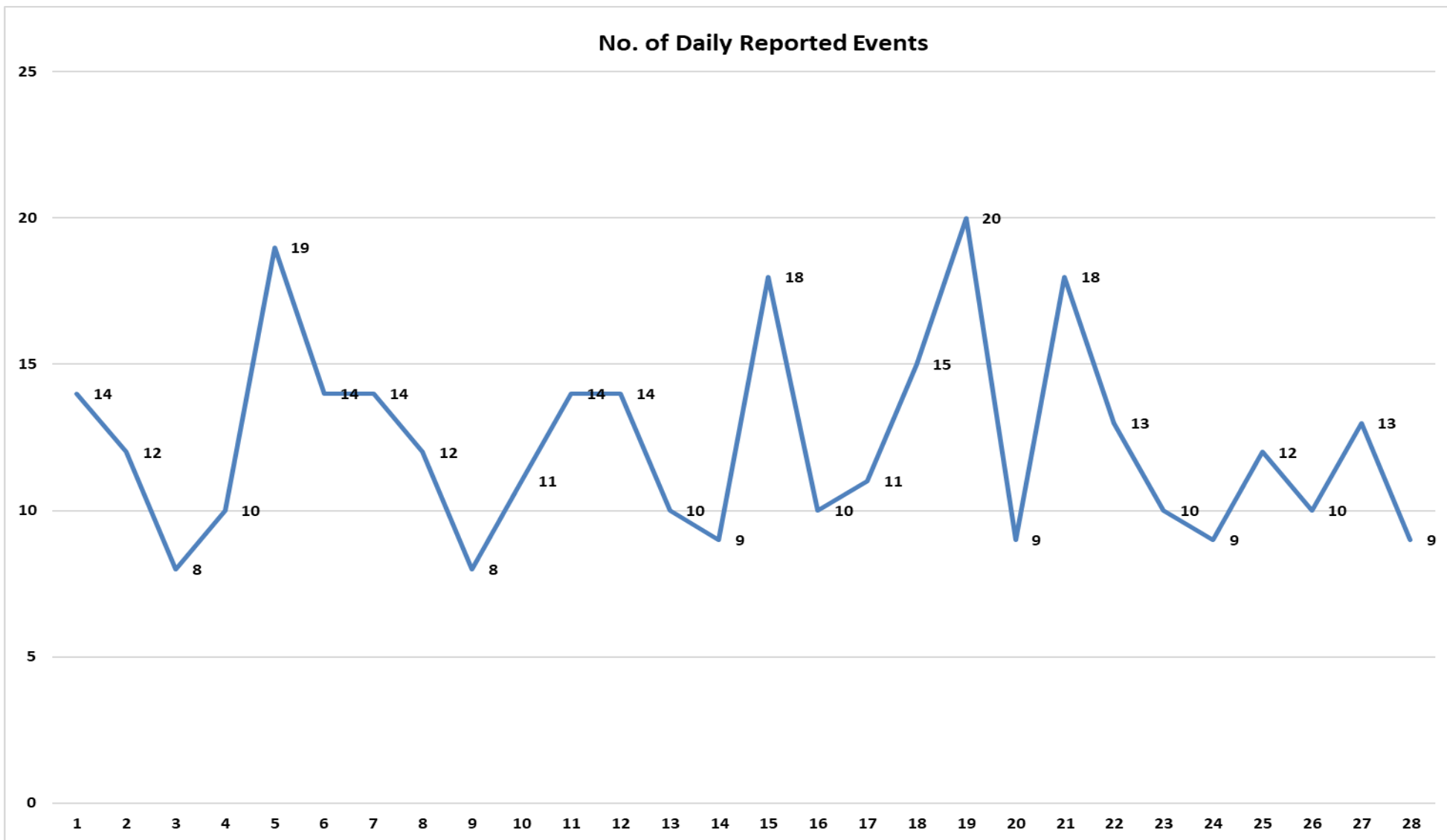
The main points of the by-laws include:

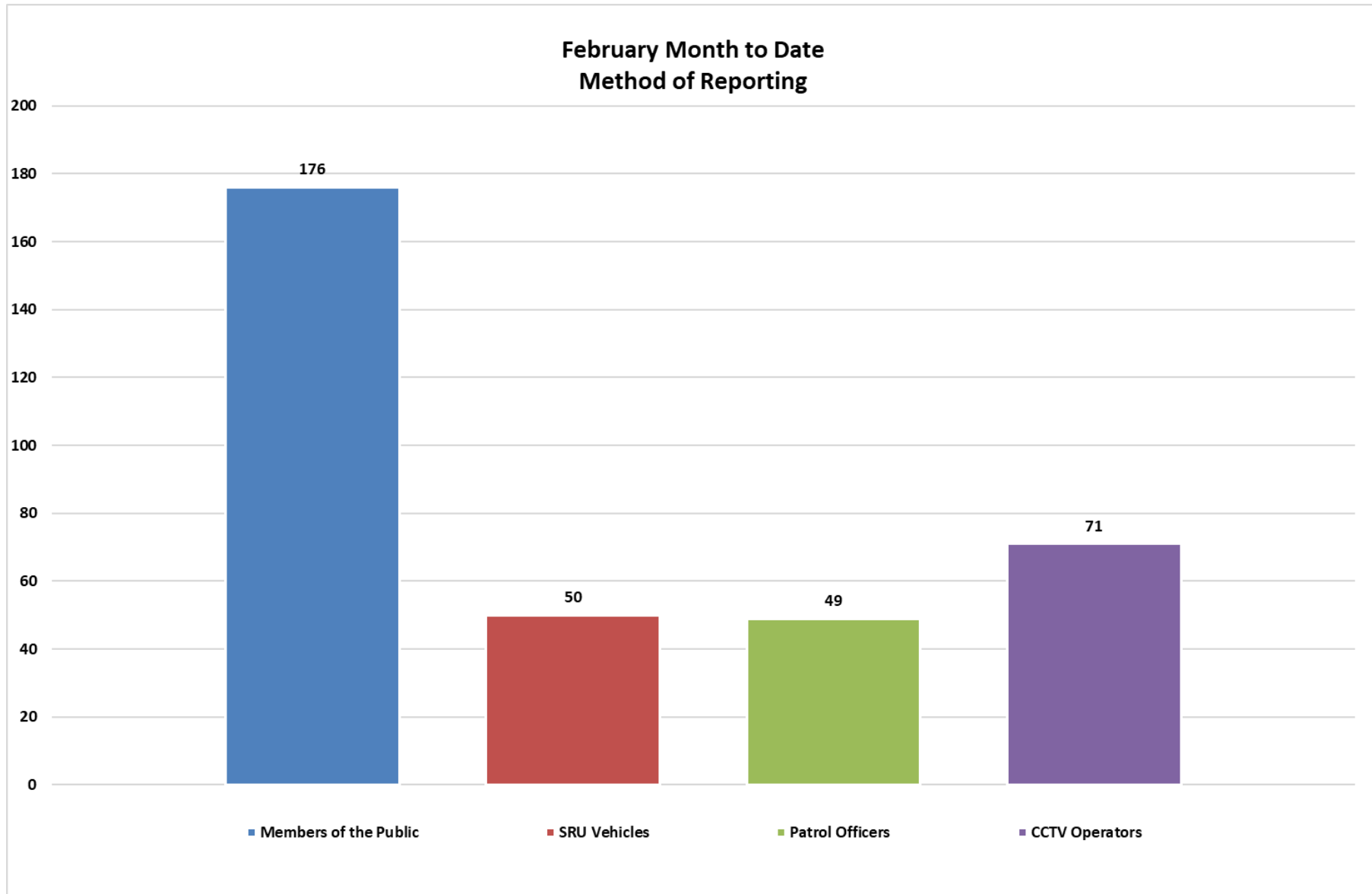
1. Littering is not permitted. Please place your litter in a bin or take it home with you.
2. All dogs must be on a leash, without exception.
3. Dog owners must pick up after their pet.
4. Consuming alcohol in public is prohibited.
5. Making fires in non-designated areas is not permitted.

Any contravention of these by-laws can be reported to the Municipality's Law Enforcement at 028 313 8996 or Control Room 028 313 8000 / 8111. Alternatively send an email to enquiries@overstrand.gov.za.

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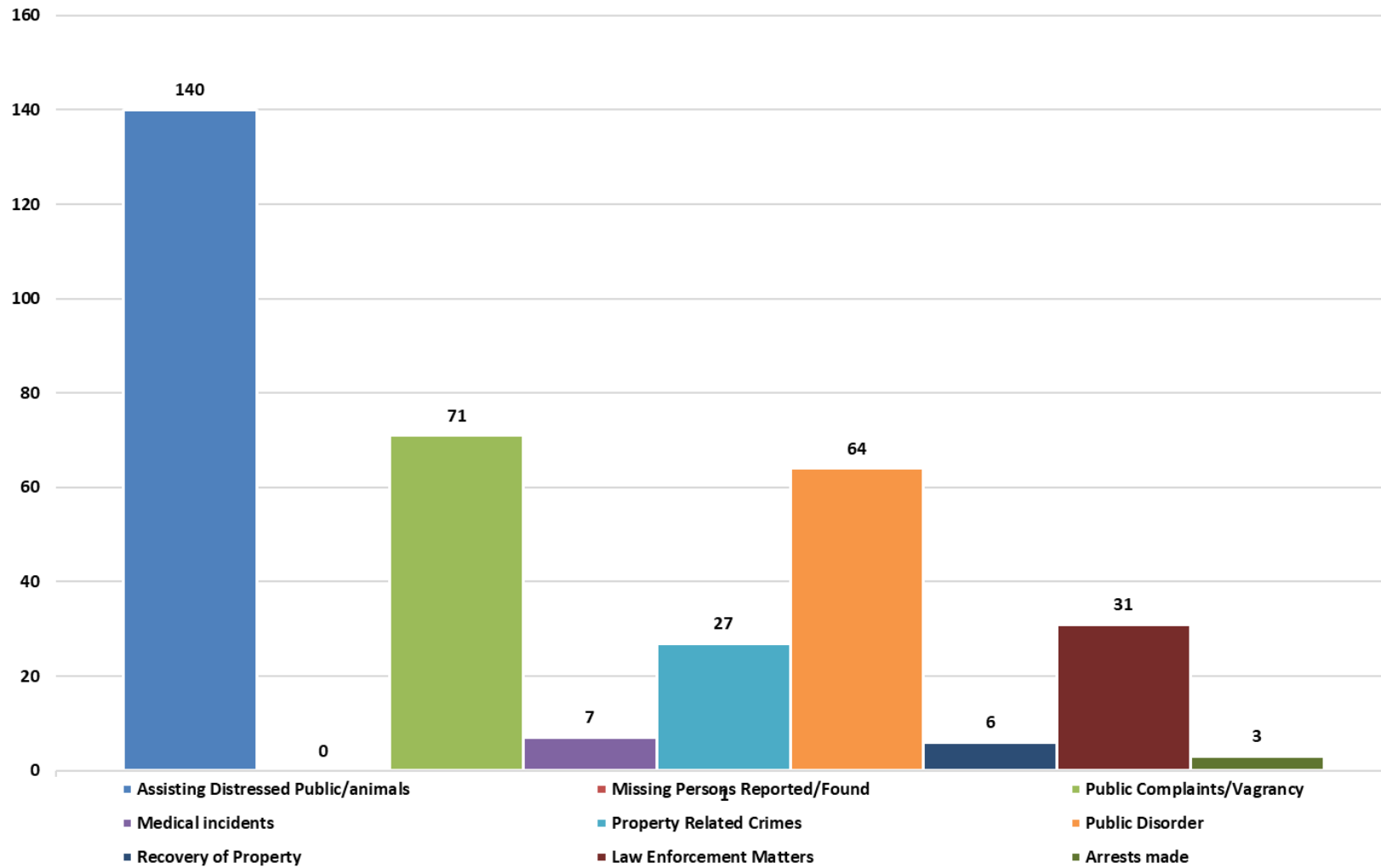






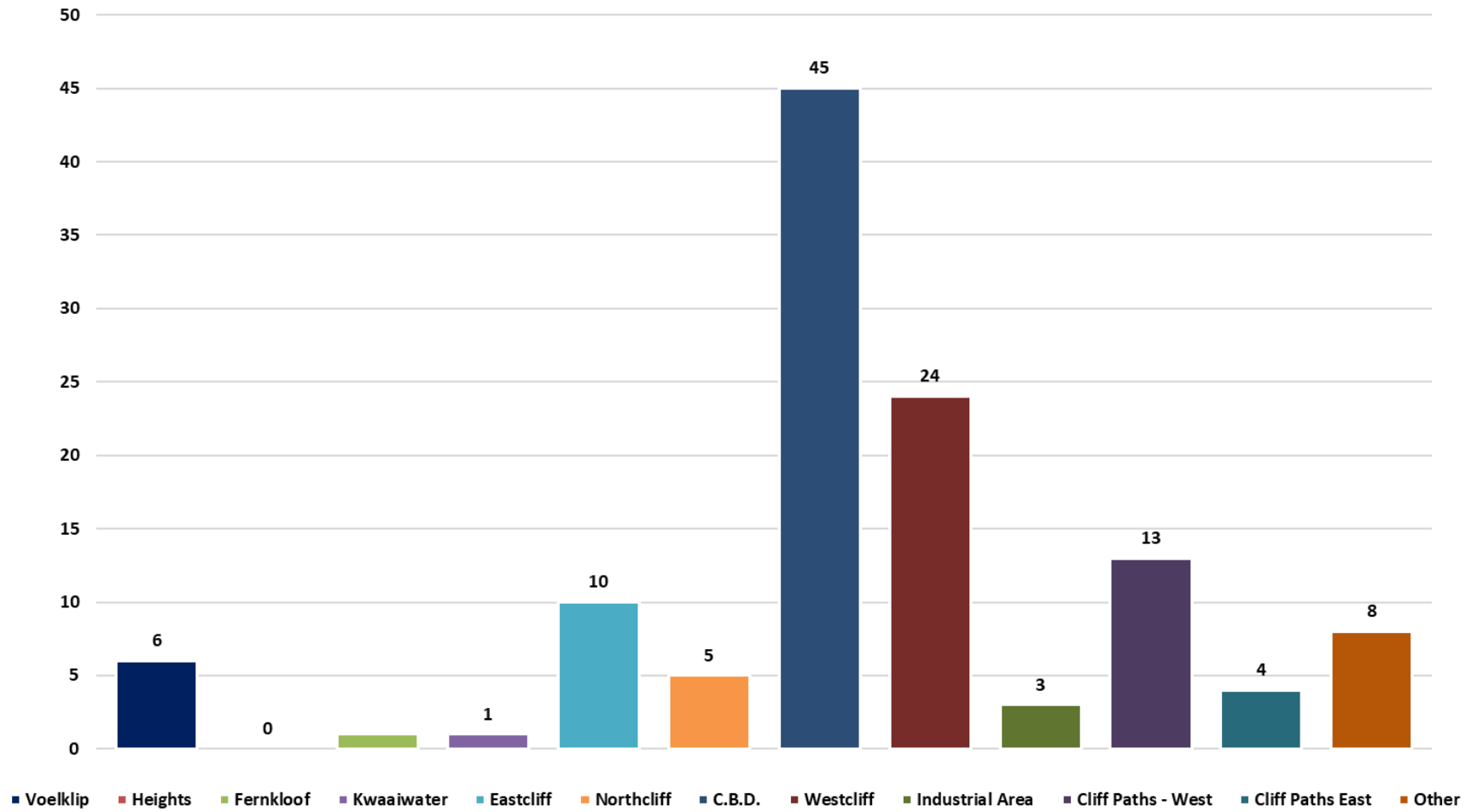


February Month to Date Overall Summary



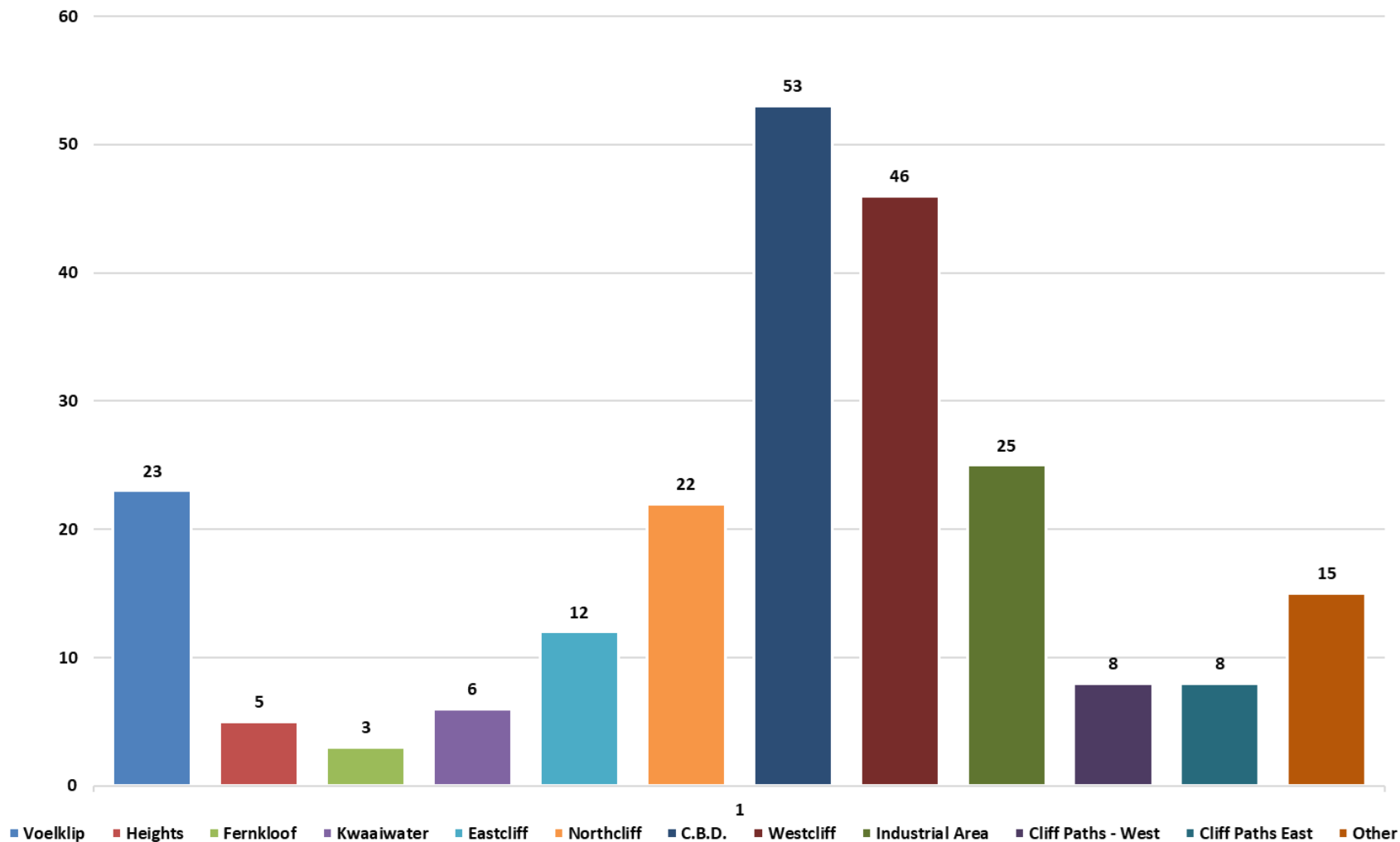


February Month to Date Crime Only Reports per Suburbs





February Month to Date Non-Crime Reports per Suburbs



Summary for the Month of February 2021

SUMMARY	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	Total		
Assisting Distressed Public/animals	9	3	2	4	9	7	4	6	4	5	5	6	3	6	5	4	6	6	7	2	9	3	3	2	5	3	7	5	0	0	0	140		
Missing Persons Reported/Found	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Public Complaints/Vagrancy	1	5	2	1	6	1	5	3	2	2	4	1	3	2	2	1	1	1	5	2	5	2	3	3	3	3	0	2	0	0	0	71		
Medical incidents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	7		
Property Related Crimes	0	1	4	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	2	1	0	1	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	27		
Public Disorder	3	1	0	4	0	2	4	1	0	3	2	3	2	0	3	1	1	6	6	1	2	4	2	3	3	4	2	1	0	0	0	64		
Recovery of Property	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6		
Law Enforcement Matters	1	1	0	0	2	2	0	1	1	0	1	3	2	0	2	2	2	2	1	3	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	31		
Arrests made	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	2	2	2	1	3	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3		
Summary	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	Total		
Assisting Distressed Public/animals	9	3	2	4	9	7	4	6	4	5	5	6	3	6	5	4	6	6	7	2	9	3	3	2	5	3	7	5	0	0	0	140		
Animals					1										1		1		1							1						5		
Fires	1						1	1				1			1	1							1					2					9	
Traffic/Law Enforcement																																	0	
Public Assistance	6	3		4	7	7	3	5	2	4	4	2	2	5	3	2	4	6	5	1	8	3	2	2	5	1	5	5				106		
Reporting open windows/doors/gates	2		2		1				2	1	1	3	1	1		1	1		1	1	1					1						20		
Missing Persons Reported	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Missing Persons																																	0	
Persons Found																																	0	
Public Complaints	1	5	2	1	6	1	5	3	2	2	4	1	3	2	2	1	1	1	5	2	5	2	3	3	3	3	0	2	0	0	0	71		
Singers					1																												1	
Beggars			1	1	1		2		1	1	1			1	1	1	1	1	4	1		1	2		1	1						23		
vagrants	1	5	1		4	1	3	3	1	1	3	1	3	1	1				1		4	1	1	3	2	2		2				45		
Hawking																				1	1												2	
Medicals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	7		
Suicide/ att.																																	0	
Deaths																																		0
Injury on duty																																		0
Public Injuries																																		0
Mentally Disturbed															3	2							1					1					7	
Drowning																																		0
Property Crimes	0	1	4	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	2	1	0	1	3	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	27		
Theft from M/V																																	0	
Theft out of M/V																												1					1	
Theft of M/V																																	0	
Housebreaking and Theft					1									1										1									3	
Theft			3			1	1		1	1	2				2				1					1	1			2					16	
Malicious Damage to Property																	1																1	
Trespassing		1	1	1								1			1								1										6	
Public Disorder	3	1	0	4	0	2	4	1	0	3	2	3	2	0	3	1	1	6	6	1	2	4	2	3	3	4	2	1	0	0	0	64		
Assault Common																																	0	
Assault GBH																																	0	
Cliff Path Robbery/attack																								1									1	
Robbery	1			1														1				1											4	
Warnings																																	0	
Drugs																																	0	
Public Indecency																																	0	
Shoplifting																																	0	
Loitering	2	1				1	2	1		2	2	2	1		3	1	1	4	6	1	1	4	1		1	2		1				40		
Drinking in Public												1															1	1					3	
Fighting				1			1			1		1						1					1		1								7	
Public Drunkenness																								1	1	1	1						4	
Abandoned																																	0	
Unruly Behaviour				2		1	1																	1									5	
Recovery of Property	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6		
Recovery of Suspected Stolen Property	1				1	1		1													1		1										6	
Law Enforcement Matters	1	1	0	0	2	2	0	1	1	0	1	3	2	0	2	2	2	2	1	3	2	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	31		
Traffic Control/Accidents					1												1		1														4	
Nature Conservation		1				2		1	1		1					1		1		1		2	1										12	
SAPS Backup																																	0	
Municipal Bylaws	1				1							3	1		2	1	1	1		1	1	1								1		15		
Total	14	12	8	10	19	14	14	12	8	11	14	14	10	9	18	10	11	15	20	9														