

## HPP Performance – October 2022

### Summary

#### Public Safety and Crime Prevention

The month of October showed a 7.45% increase in reported incidents (447) when compared to September's (416).

Public disorder and vagrancy remain an ongoing issue in the CBD. The number of incidents in these categories increased to 207 compared to September's 180. Of the reported 207 incidents of public disorder, 105 were vagrancy incidents (up from September's figure of 96), 71 were loitering incidents (up from the September's figure of 55), 3 were unruly behaviour incidents (decreasing from September's figure of 6) and 28 incidents of intoxication, drinking in public and fighting (up from September's figures of 23).

In addition to HPP recovering numerous stolen property during the month, several of reported incidents resulted in the arrest of 6 suspects during the month; 3 as a result of CCTV intervention and 3 as a result of the team in the field as well as supporting security companies and neighbourhood watches.

Arrests were made up of the following:

- 3 x Arrests for theft.
- 1 x Arrest for being in possession of dangerous weapons.
- 1 x Arrest for being in possession of possible stolen items.
- 1 x Arrest for theft out of motor vehicle.

The busiest suburbs for October were CBD (155 reports, of which 65 were crime related), Voëlklip (52 reports, of which 6 were crime related), Westcliff (47 reports, of which 10 were crime related), Northcliff (44 reports, of which 8 were crime related), Industrial Area (43 reports, of which 10 were crime related), and Eastcliff (37 reports, of which 6 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.

Last month we alerted you to the increase in theft of wheels from vehicles especially during load shedding. We are pleased to announce that the SAPS made several arrests in this matter and recovered several stolen items. There seems to have been a decrease in these incidents since the arrests were made.

We still however urge you, if you have an alarm system, please arm it, even when you are at home. If you have beams in your yard or driveway, please activate these as well as this will serve as an early warning should there be intruders entering your property.

HPP continue to carry out Special Operations which include visible foot patrols at night, implementing listening posts at night and conducting "sweeps" of the Cliff Path and Hoys Koppie. Identified issues are reported to Overstrand Law Enforcement.

**ALERT: PROPERTY RELATED CRIMES  
– BURGLARY AND THEFT**

As the holiday season begins and the temperature climbs, unfortunately so does the increase in opportunistic crimes. Please ensure that your home is secure, day and night.

To help keep your home safe:

1. Don't leave windows or doors, without burglar bars or gates, open.
2. If you leave windows open, ensure that valuables are kept out of sight and reach.
3. If you are going to the beach or for a walk – remember to lock-up and activate your house alarm.
4. Lock away items that can be used to gain access to your home (i.e., ladders, gardening tools, etc.)
5. At night, activate your house alarm and beams, ensure outside lights are on and lock away valuables.

## Crime Alert

### **FRAUD – ONLINE & IN-PERSON**

The SAPS have issued a further warning that commercial crime, which include ATM and social media scams, are on the rise. We appeal to you to be careful of scams in public places and online.

There has been a noticeable increase in card swapping incidents at ATMs in Hermanus. Please do not accept any help at the ATMs.

Please be vigilant when using social media, shopping online and spam emails. Double check the authenticity before making a purchase or opening a link on an email.

If you have been a victim of fraud and crime, please report it to the South African Police Service (SAPS).

## HPP CCTV Camera Network

While the HPP cameras have been installed across the HSRA in strategic positions, aligned to an intended purpose, the cameras will not always pick up suspicious activity.

Over the past 2 years, HPP has grown its camera network from just 19 cameras to 130 cameras throughout the HSRA. These cameras are a mix of static (bullets) cameras, PTZ (Pan Tilt Zoom) cameras and LPR (License Plate Recognition) cameras. Different types of cameras serve different purposes.

Different lenses reach different distances and views which limit the camera's ability to document a certain object within the frame. Depending on the type of lens the camera has, it may have a limited view or give less detail at distance. The average security camera sees less than you do. This is because cameras do not have human's peripheral vision or the ability to shift their view from side to side.

SAPS members regularly contact HPP requesting footage reviews for criminal cases. Frequently, we are able to provide them with recorded footage.

It is important that should you be victim of any criminal incident, you open a criminal case with SAPS. There might be CCTV footage available to assist with their investigations. If nothing is available, the very least you have done is to assist in bringing criminal activity to the attention of SAPS and when they review their statistics, your case could assist in allocating additional resources to the area.

## Emergency Numbers

**SAPS (Police): 028 313 5300 | OM 24/7 Emergency: 028 312 2400 | HPP Control Centre: 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 October, a total of 240 black bags, down from 260 in September, were filled up along the path including the cleaning of all the beach and path rubbish bins, as well as parking areas along the Cliff Path.

The HPP cleansing team now operate on Saturdays and over public holidays. This will ensure the areas HPP service are clean and tidy for residents and visitors during the increase in activity along the Cliff Path.

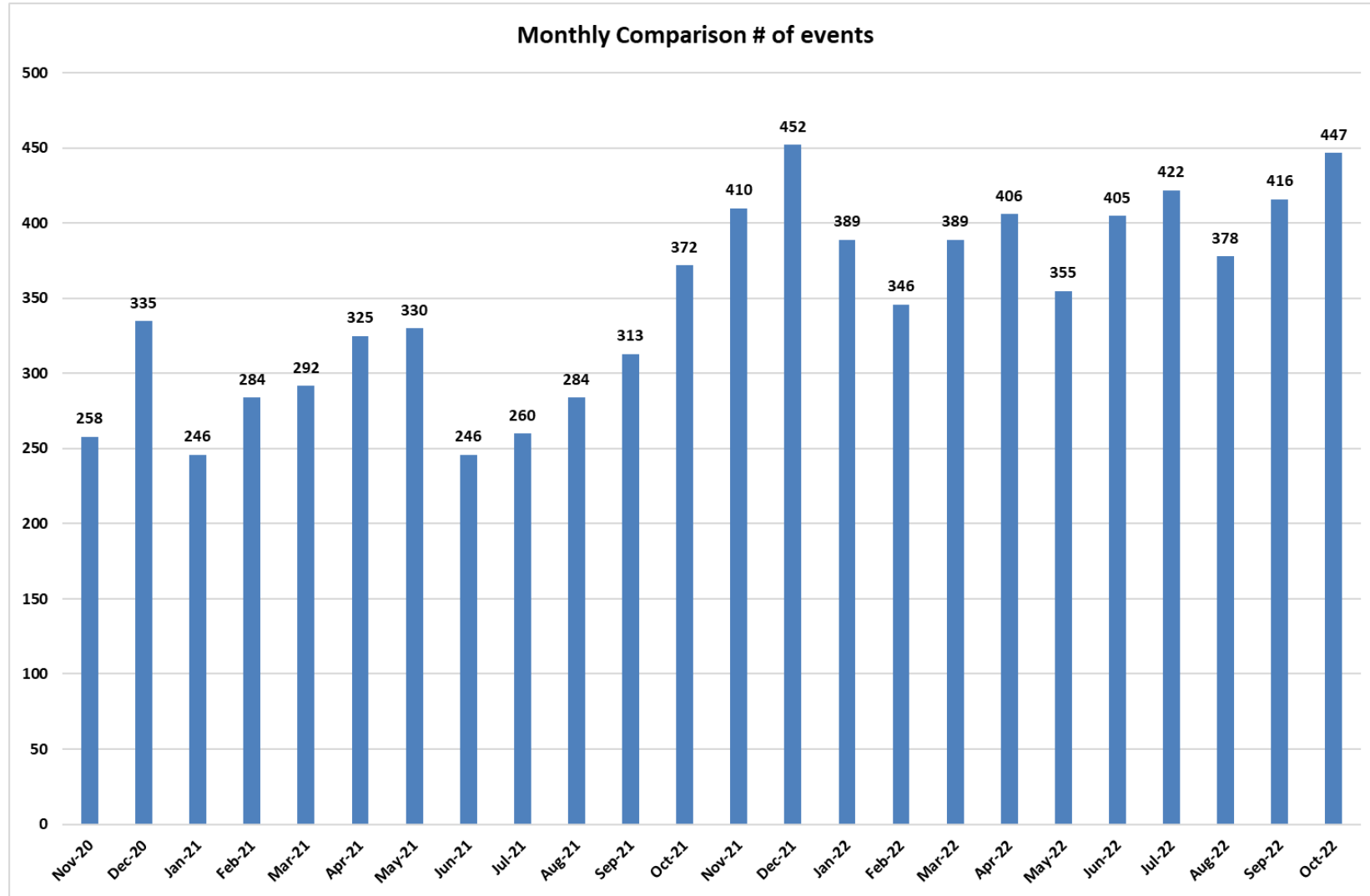
We again appeal to users of the Cliff Path to adhere to the by-laws and work together to ensure that the Cliff Path remains a top attraction and a joyful experience for everyone who uses it.

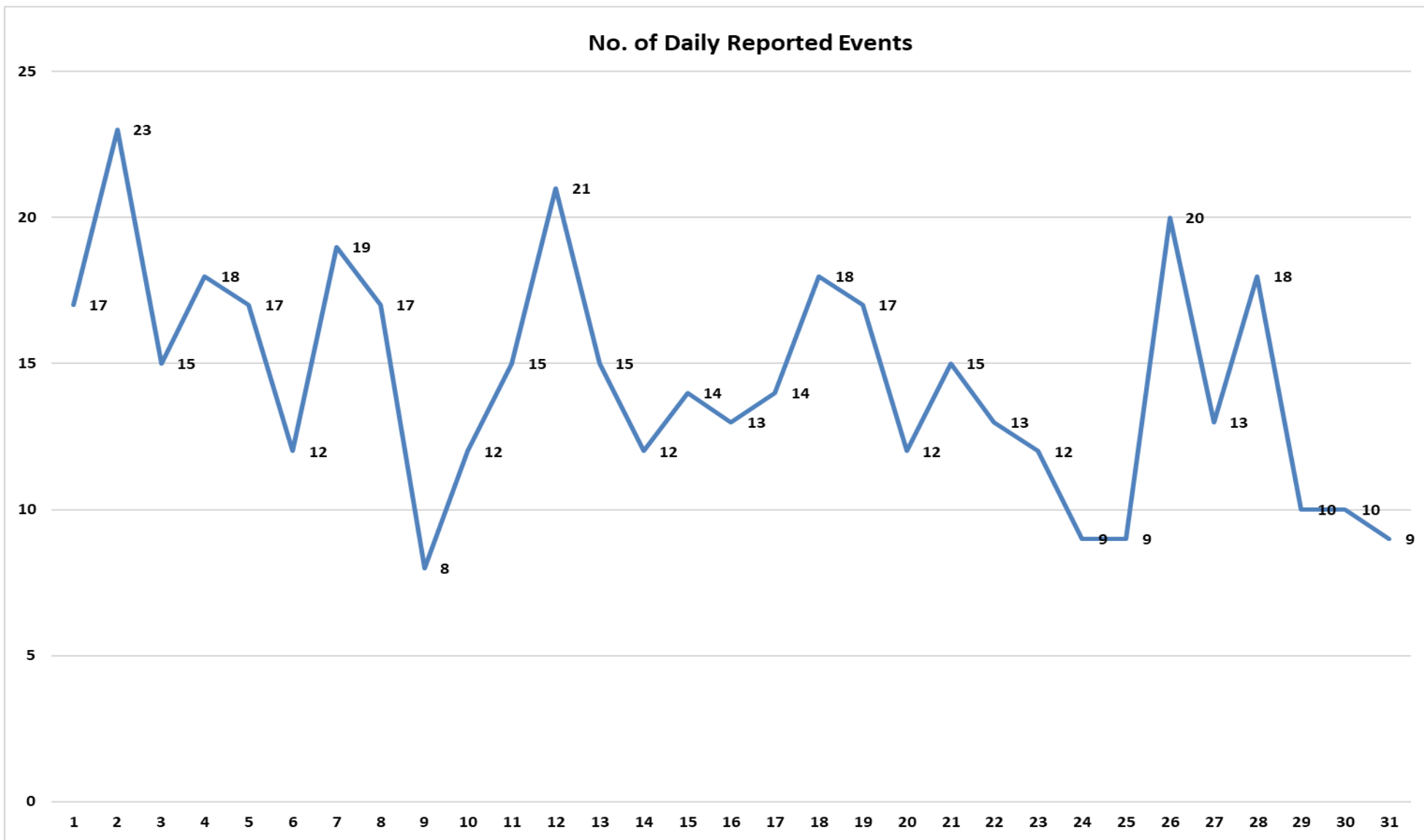
The main points of the by-laws include:

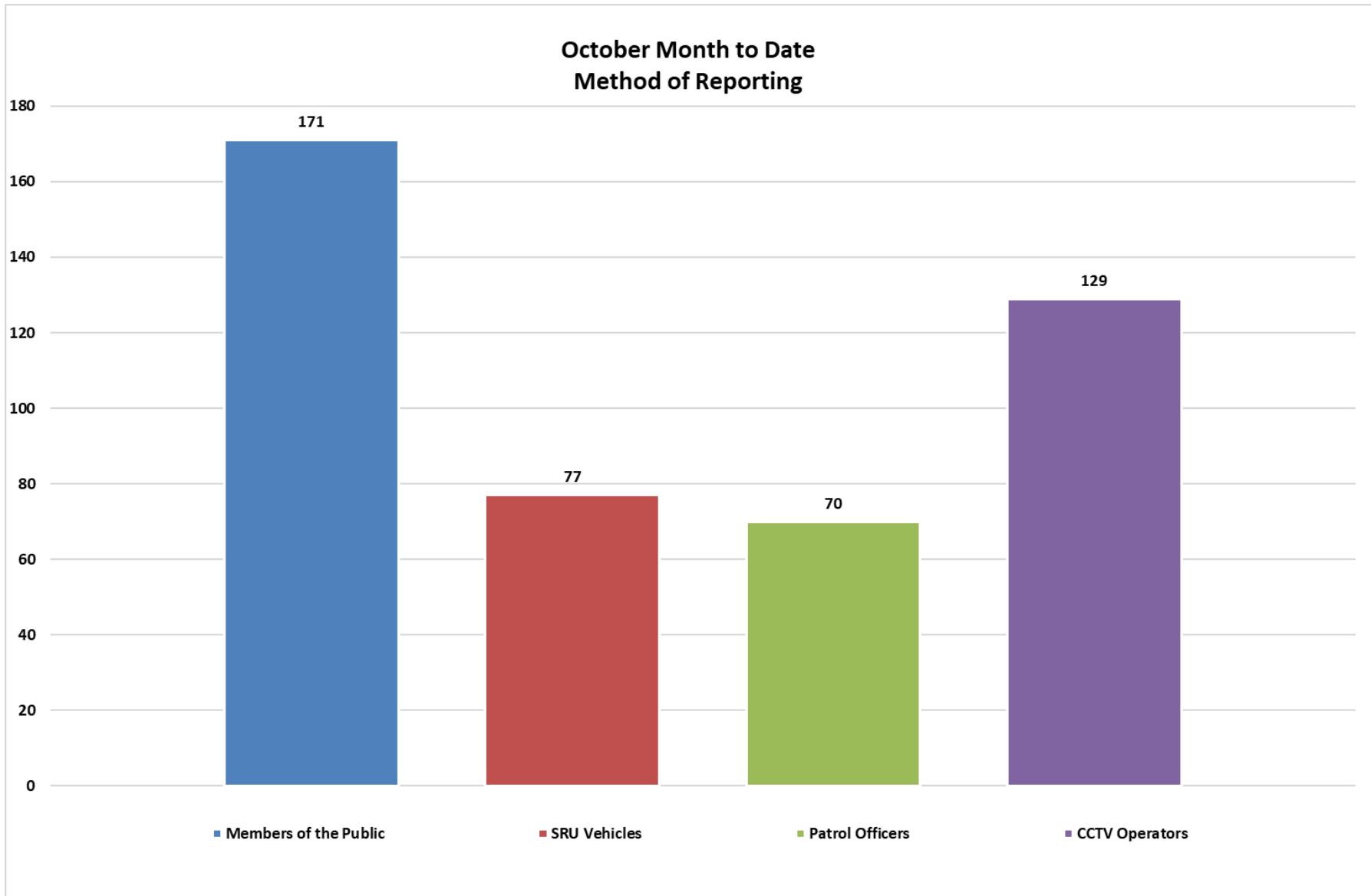
1. Littering is not permitted. Please place your litter in a bin or take it home with you.
2. All dogs must be on a leash, without exception.
3. Dog owners must pick up after their pet.
4. Consuming alcohol in public is prohibited.
5. Making fires in non-designated areas is not permitted.

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. Alternatively send an email to [enquiries@overstrand.gov.za](mailto:enquiries@overstrand.gov.za).

## Public Safety and Crime Prevention for the period 01/10/2022 – 31/10/2022

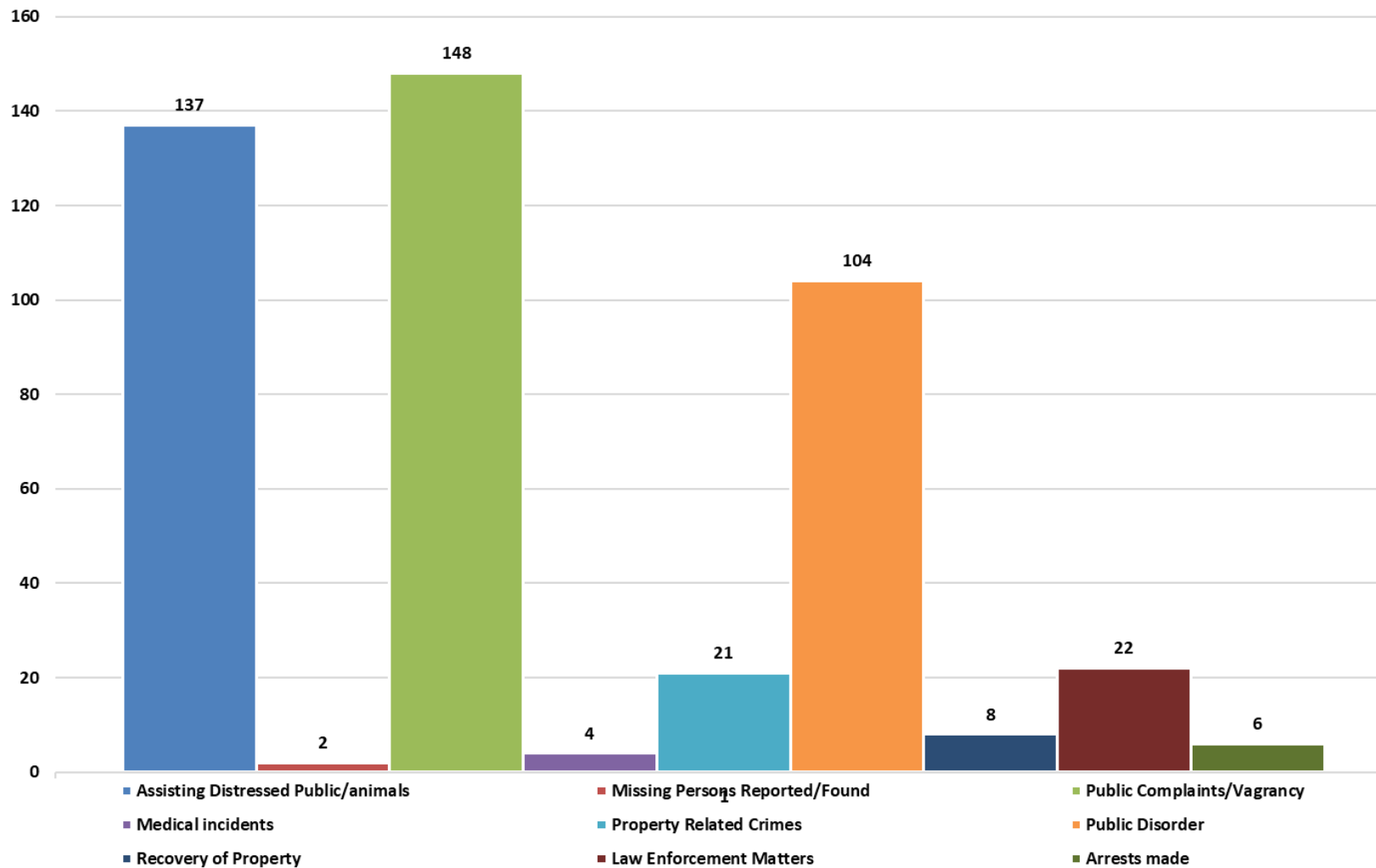




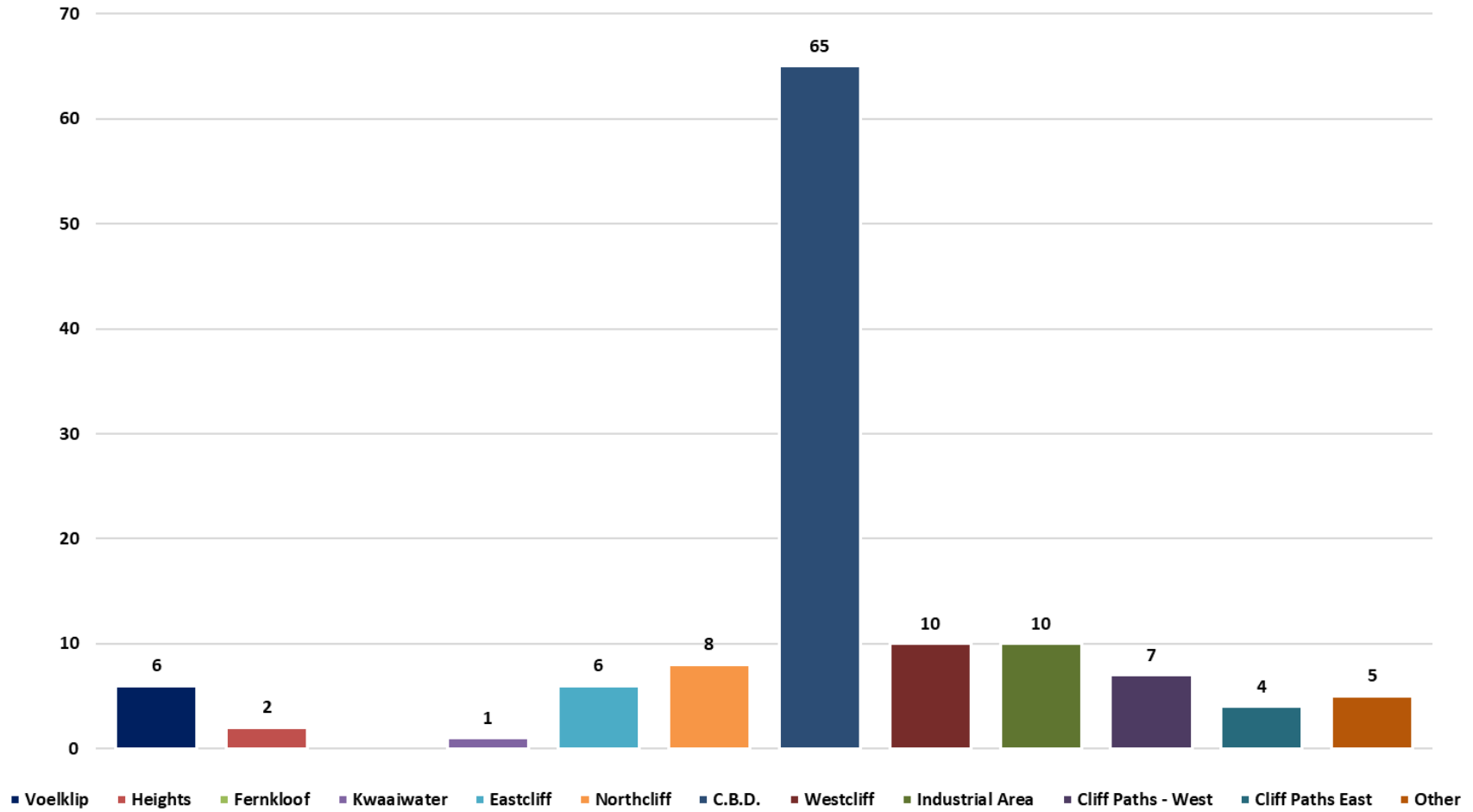




### October Month to Date Overall Summary



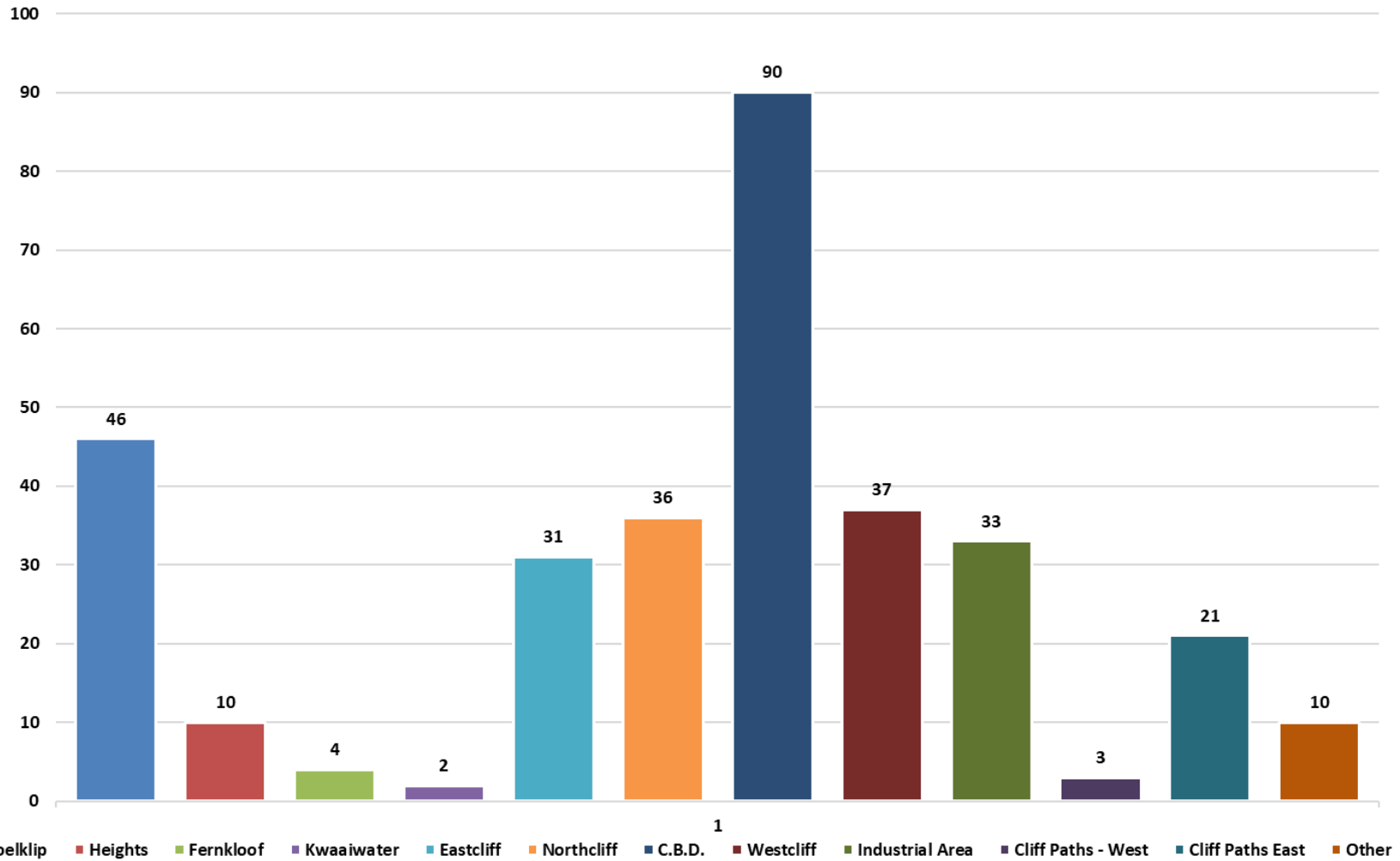
### October Month to Date Crime Only Reports per Suburbs







**October Month to Date  
Non-Crime Reports per Suburbs**





## Summary for the Month of October 2022

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		
<b>Assisting Distressed Public/animals</b>	8	7	2	6	6	3	8	7	0	5	2	8	4	3	3	2	2	6	3	3	2	7	5	2	7	6	5	3	3	6	3	137	
<b>Missing Persons Reported/Found</b>	1	1	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	2	
<b>Public Complaints/Vagrancy</b>	0	0	8	6	8	4	7	3	4	4	7	6	6	6	6	4	5	5	7	5	8	2	2	4	0	6	1	14	3	3	4	148	
<b>Medical incidents</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	
<b>Property Related Crimes</b>	0	1	1	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	2	2	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	21	
<b>Public Disorder</b>	7	13	3	3	2	3	4	6	3	3	3	4	3	2	1	3	3	5	4	2	5	0	3	2	2	7	4	1	2	1	0	104	
<b>Recovery of Property</b>	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	8	
<b>Law Enforcement Matters</b>	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	1	22	
<b>Arrests made</b>	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	
<b>Summary</b>	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	
<b>Assisting Distressed Public/animals</b>	8	7	2	6	6	3	8	7	0	5	2	8	4	3	3	2	2	6	3	3	2	7	5	2	7	6	5	3	3	6	3	137	
<b>Animals</b>					1					1												1										3	
<b>Fires</b>										3																							3
<b>Traffic/Law Enforcement</b>																																	0
<b>Public Assistance</b>	8	6	2	3	4	1	5	4		1	1	7	4	2	2	2	2	5	3	2	1	6	5	2	6	6	5	2	3	6	3	109	
<b>Reporting open windows/doors/gates</b>		1		3	1	2	3	3		1	1			1	1			1		1		1			1			1				22	
<b>Missing Persons Reported</b>	1	1	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	2	
<b>Missing Persons</b>																																0	
<b>Persons Found</b>	1	1																														2	
<b>Public Complaints</b>	0	0	8	6	8	4	7	3	4	4	7	6	6	6	6	4	5	5	7	5	8	2	2	4	0	6	1	14	3	3	4	148	
<b>Singers</b>			1		1											1	1															4	
<b>Beggars</b>		2	1	2	1		2	1	1	4		2		2	1			3	2	2	1		1		2		1	1			32		
<b>vagrants</b>		4	5	5	3	6	1	3	3	2	4	4	6	4	2	4	5	4	3	6	1	2	2		4	1	13	2	3	3	105		
<b>Hawking</b>			1				1			1	2													1								7	
<b>Medicals</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	
<b>Suicide/ att.</b>																																0	
<b>Deaths</b>																																0	
<b>Injury on duty</b>																																0	
<b>Public Injuries</b>																																0	
<b>Mentally Disturbed</b>																	1	1	1				1									4	
<b>Drowning</b>																																0	
<b>Property Crimes</b>	0	1	1	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	2	2	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	21	
<b>Theft from M/V</b>					1											1																2	
<b>Theft out of M/V</b>				1							1																					2	
<b>Theft of M/V</b>				1			1																									2	
<b>Housebreaking and Theft</b>																	1						1									2	
<b>Theft/Att Theft</b>			1				1							2	1	1	1	1				1							2	1	12		
<b>Malicious Damage to Property</b>																																0	
<b>Trespassing</b>		1																														1	
<b>Public Disorder</b>	7	13	3	3	2	3	4	6	3	3	3	4	3	2	1	3	3	5	4	2	5	0	3	2	2	7	4	1	2	1	0	104	
<b>Assault Common</b>																																0	
<b>Assault GBH</b>																																0	
<b>Cliff Path Robbery/attack</b>																																0	
<b>Robbery// attempted</b>		1																														1	
<b>Warnings</b>																																0	
<b>Drugs</b>																																0	
<b>Public Indecency</b>																																0	
<b>Shoplifting</b>												1																				1	
<b>Loitering</b>	3	7	2	2	2	3	3	2	1	1	3	3	2	1	1	1	3	3	3	2	5		2	2	2	5	4	1	1	1	71		
<b>Drinking in Public</b>	2	1					1	1		1						1							1								9		
<b>Fighting</b>	1	1	1	1			2	1				1	1		1		1	1													12		
<b>Public Drunkenness</b>	1	3						1									1								1						7		
<b>Abandoned</b>																																0	
<b>Unruly Behaviour</b>								1		1																	1					3	
<b>Recovery of Property</b>	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	8	
<b>Recovery of Suspected Stolen Property</b>	1			1								1				1		1					1	1				1			8		
<b>Law Enforcement Matters</b>	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	2	1	1	1	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	1	22	
<b>Traffic Control/Accidents</b>						1									1							1	1			1	1				6		
<b>Nature Conservation</b>			1		1					1	1	2									1							1			8		
<b>SAPS Backup</b>																																0	
<b>Municipal Bylaws</b>		1								2			1		1	1							1								1	8	
<b>Total</b>	17	23	15	18	17	12	19	17	8	12	15	21	15	12	14	13	14	18	17	12	15	13	12	9	9	20	13	18	10	10	9	446	
<b>Arrests HPP Field staff</b>																3																3	
<b>Arrests CCTV intervention</b>						1								1										1								3	

You can report an incident to the HPP call centre **24/7 on 087 550 5295**