

## HPP Performance – April 2023

### Summary

#### Public Safety and Crime Prevention

The month of April showed a 10.02% decrease in reported incidents (575) when compared to March (639).

- Crime Prevention – 220
- Public Assistance – 161
- Crime Related – 194

Public disorder and vagrancy remain an ongoing issue in the CBD. The number of incidents in these categories decreased to 240 compared to February's 292. Of the reported 240 incidents of public disorder, 118 vagrancy incidents (down from March's figure of 125), 99 were loitering incidents (down from March's figure of 125), 12 were unruly behaviour incidents (up from March's figure of 8) and 11 incidents of intoxication, drinking in public and fighting (down from March's figures of 17).

In addition to HPP recovering numerous stolen property during the month, several of the reported incidents resulted in the arrest of 5 suspects during the month; 2 as a result of CCTV intervention and 3 as a result of field staff and responders.

Arrests were made up of the following:

- 5 x arrests for being in possession of possible stolen items.

The busiest suburbs for April were CBD (209 reports, of which 105 were crime related), Westcliff (91 reports, of which 25 were crime related), Eastcliff (57 reports, of which 8 were crime related), Voëlklip (56 reports, of which 11 were crime related), Industrial Area (41 reports, of which 10 were crime related) and Northcliff (30 reports, of which 7 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.

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.

#### 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 April, a total of **280** black bags, down from **290** in March, 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.

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.

#### ALERT: SWARTDAM ROAD AND SURROUNDS

There have been several reports of people being targeted along Swartdam Road, on adjacent streets and at nearby businesses.

Various incidents have been reported, including; bag or cell phone snatching from pedestrians, opening parked cars and grabbing items and threatening behaviour.

Please be vigilant when in the area:

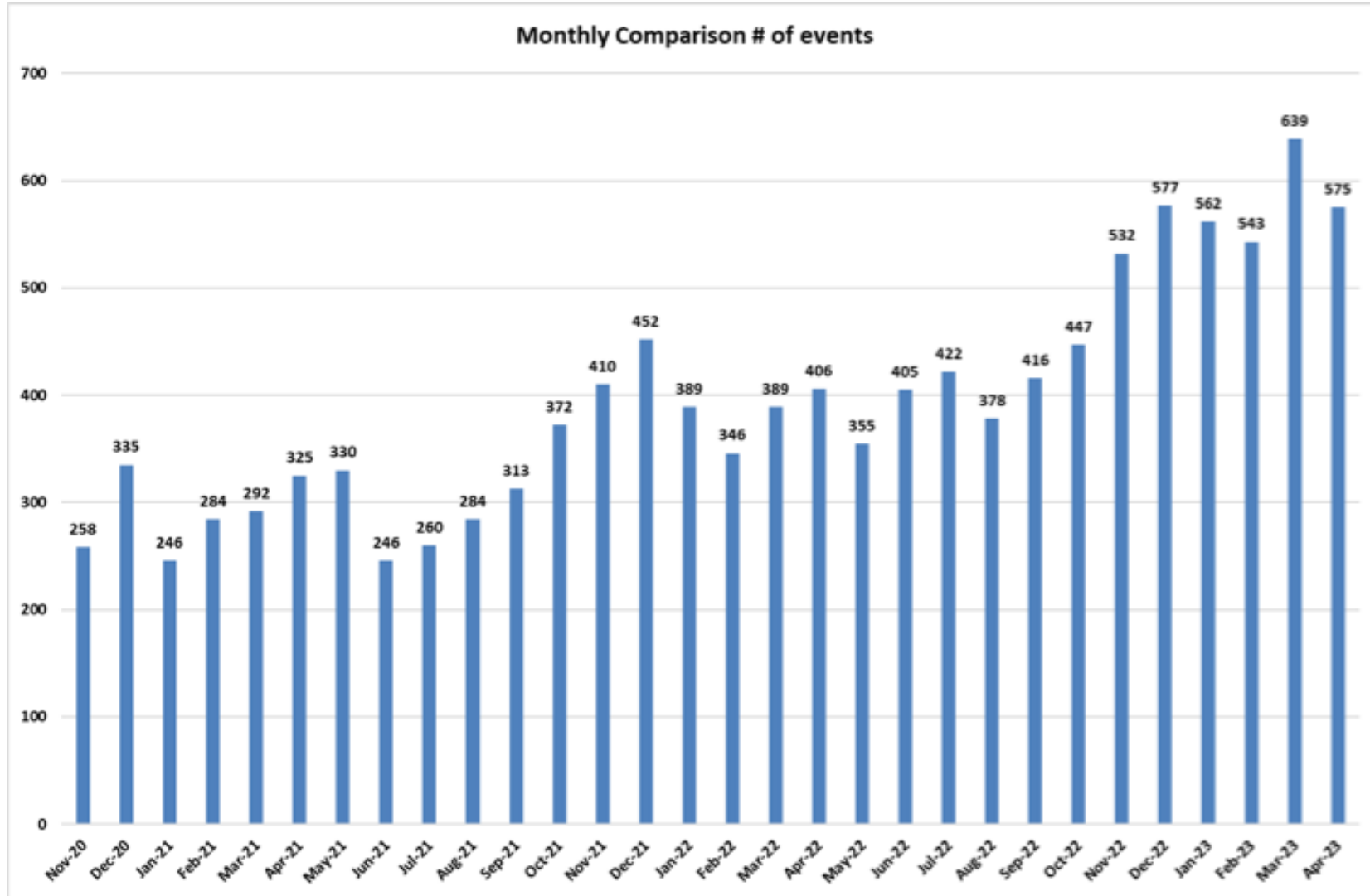
1. Ensure car doors are locked and windows closed.
2. Walk in groups.
3. Keep valuables out of sight.
4. Report any criminal incidents to the police (SAPS).

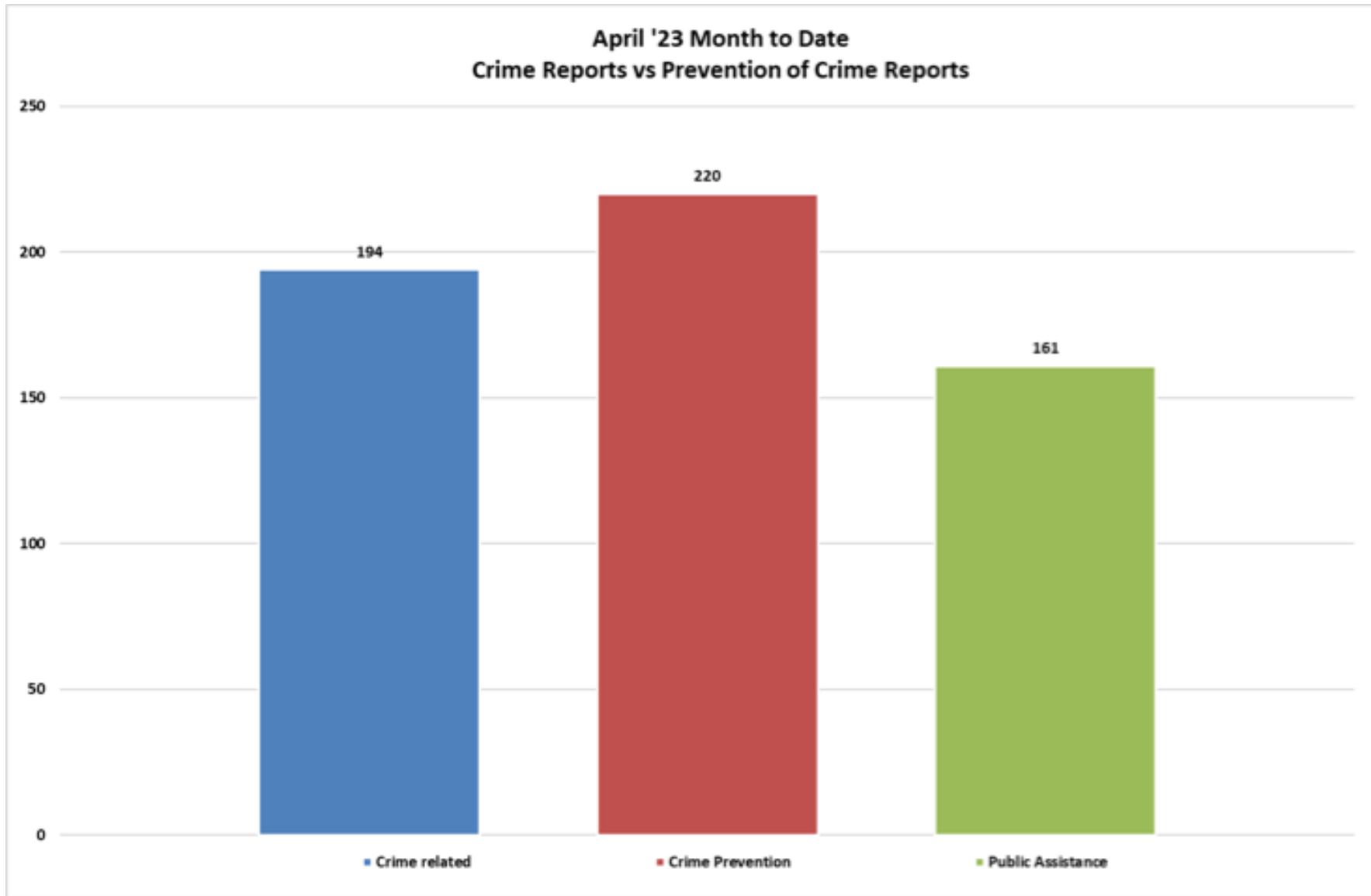
The main points of the by-laws include:

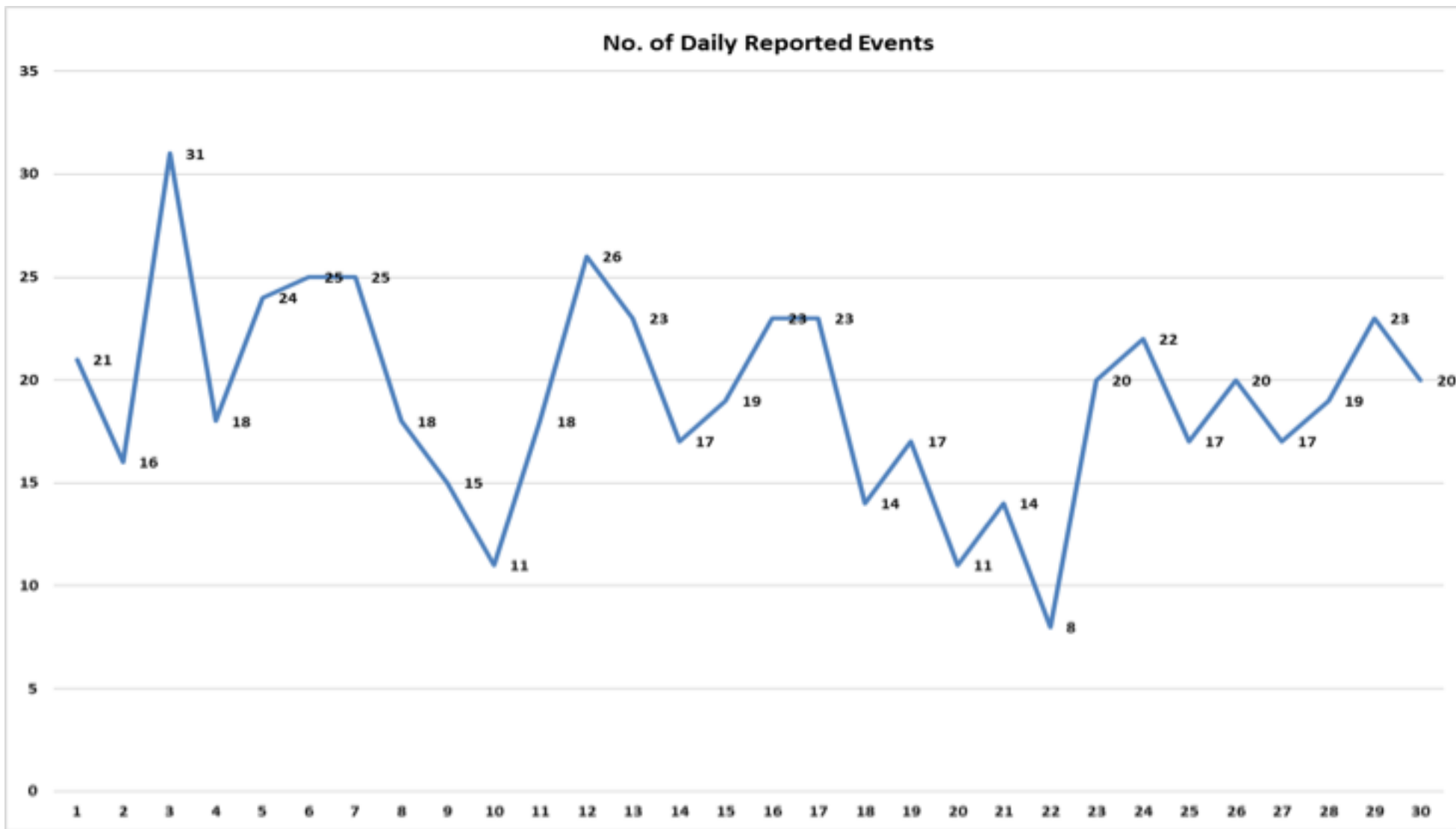
1. Littering is not permitted. Please place your litter in a bin or take it home with you.
2. All dogs must be on a leash, without exception.
3. Dog owners must pick up after their pet.
4. Consuming alcohol in public is prohibited.
5. Making fires in non-designated areas is not permitted.

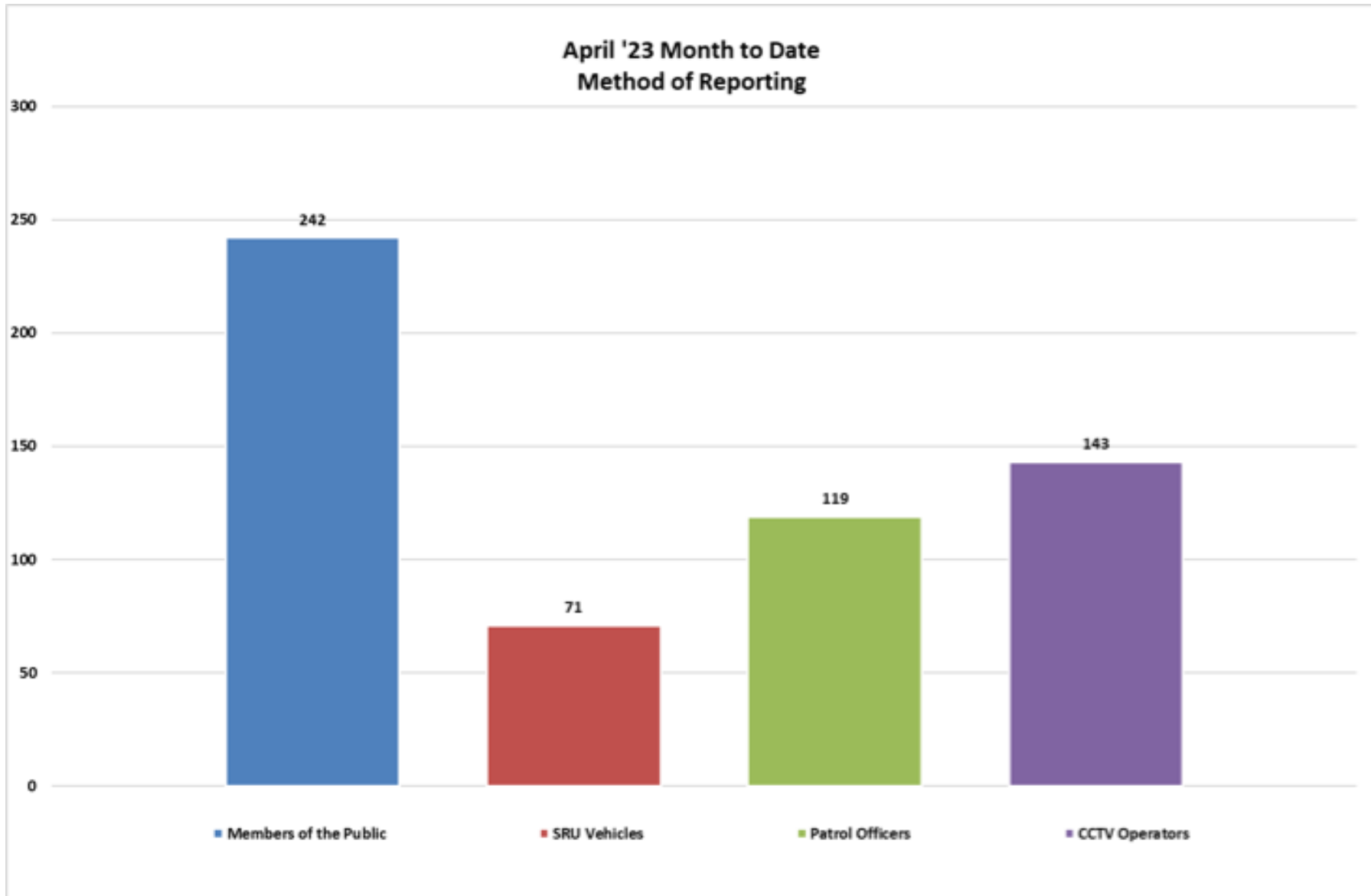
Any contravention of these by-laws can be reported to the Municipality's Law Enforcement at 028 313 8996 or Control Room 028 313 8000. Alternatively send an email to [enquiries@overstrand.gov.za](mailto:enquiries@overstrand.gov.za).

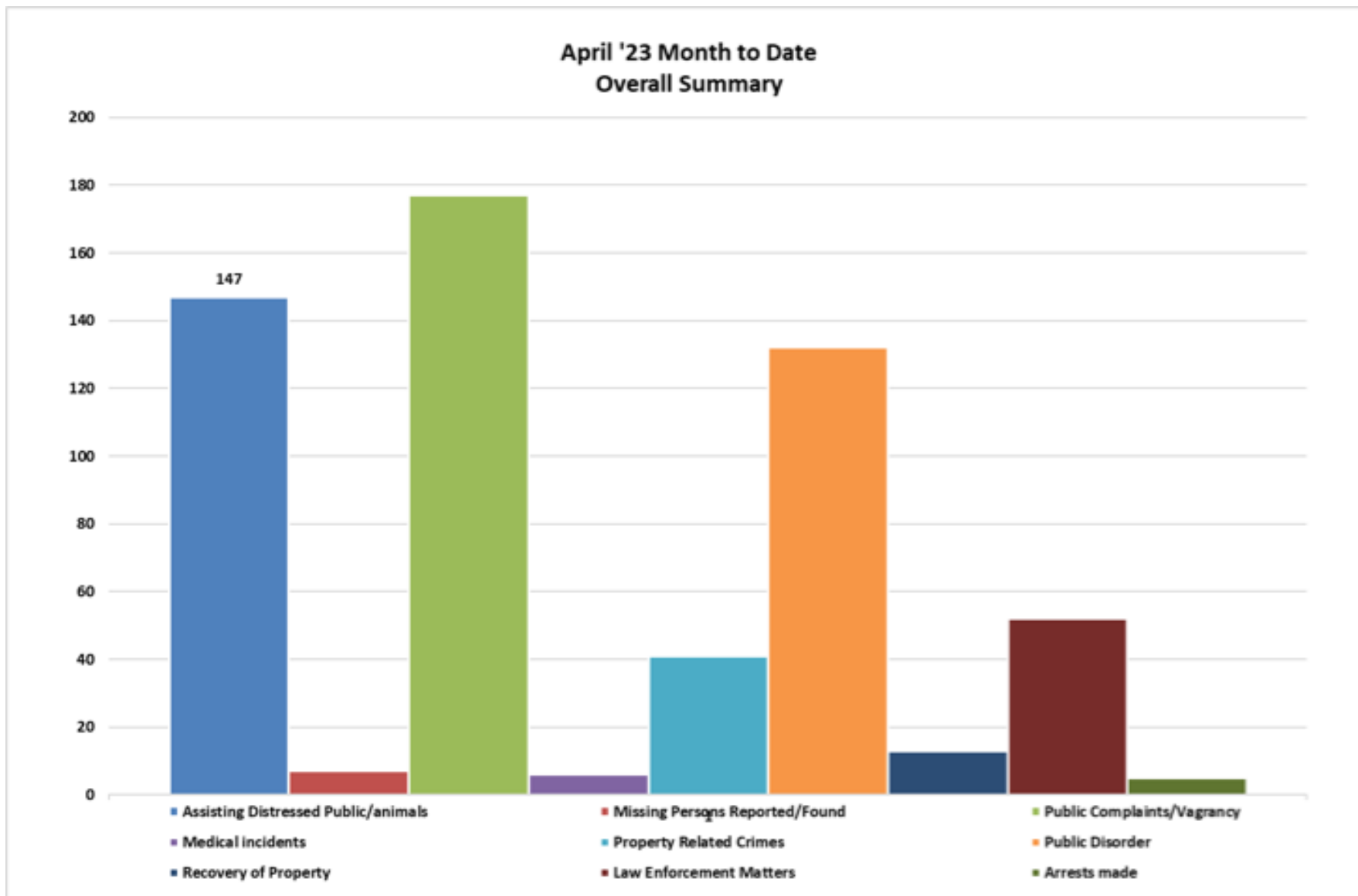
**Public Safety and Crime Prevention for the period 01/04/2023 – 30/04/2023**



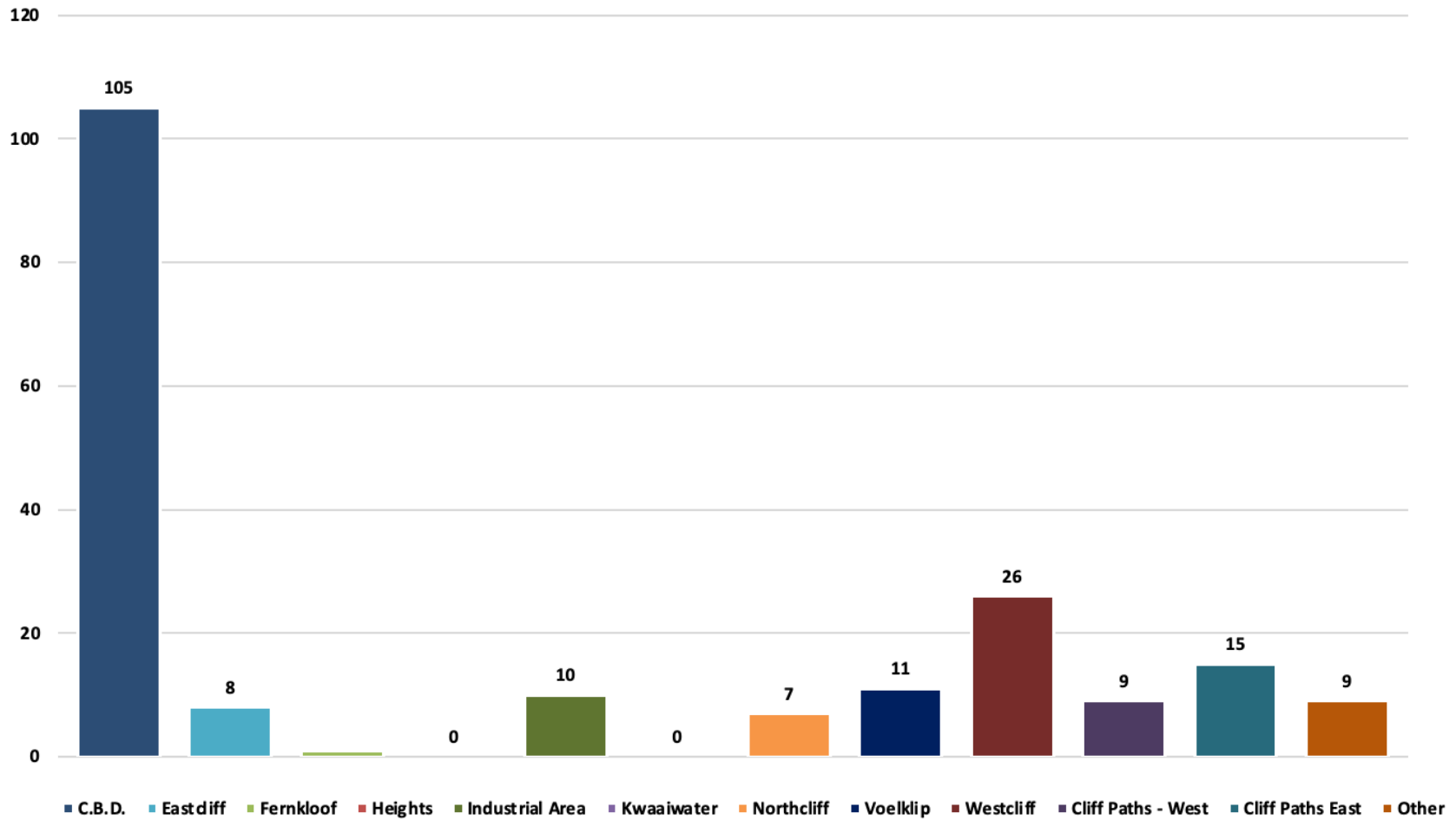








**April '23 Month to Date  
Crime Only Reports per Suburbs**





**April '23 Month to Date  
Non-Crime Reports per Suburbs**

