EXTRA POLICE HELP COMBAT CRIME

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Acting Chief Minister, Robyn Lambley, said police will continue to focus on specific operations targeting crime and anti-social behaviour in Alice Springs.

Mrs Lambley said Northern Territory police are currently focusing on the implementation of the Summer in Alice plan and targeting commercial and residential break-ins.

She praised the police clean-up rate over recent days and said the additional officers deployed in Alice Springs since the Country Liberals took Government have assisted in the response to crimes in the town.

“Since November, an additional 30 officers have been deployed to Alice Springs Station,” Mrs Lambley said.

“I am concerned at the number of break-ins and incidents of theft in Alice Springs over recent weeks and am determined that Territory police are adequately resourced to combat this latest escalation in crime.

“Fifteen arrests have been made over the past few days and I am confident police will continue to be pro-active to keep crime down.

“I have been briefed by Police Commissioner John McRoberts who has assured me the necessary resources are being deployed to deal with unlawful entries in Alice Springs over the New Year.

“Through a co-ordinated police and community approach we can all help reduce crime in Alice Springs.

“I encourage members of the public, community groups and business operators to be vigilant in ensuring criminal activity is kept in check.”

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