LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

WRITTEN QUESTION

Mrs Lambley to the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Services:

Police Strike Force Winx, Alice Springs

Please provide the following details about the Police Strike Force Winx in Alice Springs:

- 1. When did Strike Force Winx commence?
- 2. When will Strike Force Winx conclude?
- 3. What is the nature of Strike Force Winx?
- 4. Who is it targeting?

1. Strike Force Winx commenced on 25 January, 2017, as part of the larger Territory-wide youth focused Taskforce Sonoma.

2. Strike Force Winx is ongoing.

- 3. Strike Force Winx aims to enhance public safety through a coordinated response to youth crime. It was a continuation of the school holiday program and operates in line with the key components of the Territory-wide Taskforce Sonoma, with a focus on crime prevention, response, investigation and intelligence.
- 4. Both Alice Springs General Duties Police and Detectives from Southern Investigations have allocated resources to deliver a coordinated approach to reducing youth being involved in criminal behavior in Alice Springs.

Strike Force Winx has seen the addition of proactive night assessment teams which conduct a range of tasks including engagement activities; surveillance; bail and other order conditions checks; and the increased patrolling of known hotspots and repeat victim premises.