

Campbell Town – Crime Spree

Mr MITCHELL question to MINISTER for POLICE, FIRE and EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

My constituent question is from Ken at Campbell Town. Last night, 50 people attended a public meeting in Campbell Town to raise their concerns over a sustained spate of crime that is affecting residences and businesses. Shops have suffered break-ins and burglaries, staff have been assaulted, fires have been lit and Ken says people are feeling scared to leave their homes. Ken says police are taking the issues seriously but, being based in Longford, they take too long to get to Campbell Town. It's 40 minutes for something urgent and the next day for shoplifting responses. By then the offenders have moved on. Ken wants to know what you are doing to ensure that residents and businesses of Campbell Town can live and work in safety, and that they can be assured of faster police responses and higher police visibility?