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Vandalism meeting a success of community spirit

A meeting on anti-social behaviour was held in Byford in the 23rd of April in order to work out how local businesses could work together in order to stop break ins, graffiti and mindless vandalism in the town centre of Byford.

The meeting, organised by local MLA Tony Simpson, was attended by the representatives of several local businesses and dozens of concerned residents.

"I was happy to see that so many people are concerned with the issue of anti-social behaviour in our community," said Mr Simpson.

In response to the meeting, a committee made up of local business owners has been convened in order to investigate ways in which the community can help fight local crime.

"This is something the community must do for itself," said Mr Simpson.

"The police do as much as they can, but the State Government only gives them so many resources. If the Government isn't willing to put more into our community, then we have to do the work ourselves.

"I will continue to fight for a better police station and more officers to protect our communities from criminal behaviour, but until this happens, I'm glad we have people in our community who are willing to make the extra effort to fight anti-social behaviour."