

Friday 17 February 2012.

## **BUSINESS BREAKFAST ON CRIME PREVENTION**

A panel of experts dealing with the everyday realities of crime and crime prevention, will address a breakfast of local business owners on Tuesday 20 March.

The forum is part of the all-inclusive approach the City of Ryde is taking on crime prevention by partnering with key stakeholders, including the local police and court system, chambers of commerce, and the community, to formulate and adopt a range of crime prevention strategies.

City of Ryde Mayor, Cllr Artin Etmekdjian said: “Statistically, our City has a low level of crime. However, stealing related offences in commercial and retail hotspots is being targeted, and this seminar will inform local business operators on the strategies they can adopt to reduce the rate of stealing.”

Topics and speakers at the Forum include:

- ***The process of the criminal justice system***, speaker: Magistrate Daniel Reiss from Ryde Local Court
- ***Loss Prevention***, speaker: Eric Diender, State Manager from Charter Security
- ***Dealing with Young Offenders***, speaker: Snr Constable Jeanne Lopez, Gladesville Youth Liaison Officer
- ***How and when to report incidents to Police***, speaker: Snr Constable Julie-Ann Lewis, Eastwood LAC Crime Prevention Officer

When: Tuesday 20 March, 7.15am for 7.30 – 9.30am.

Where: Ryde Civic Hall, 1 Devlin Street, Ryde (parking available behind the Civic Centre).

Cost: Free of charge – breakfast included.

Bookings are essential on 99528222.

The City of Ryde Crime Prevention Plan was adopted by the Attorney General in 2011. For more information on the City of Ryde Crime Prevention Plan go to

[www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/Crimepreventionplan](http://www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/Crimepreventionplan)