

# Norwood Community Police Forum



16 March 2023

National Shutdown: 20 March 2023

The Norwood CPF (Community Police Forum) is aware of messages and public statements made by various political parties and unions regarding a national shutdown on 20 March 2023.

There is currently no confirmation yet of all the organisations involved or if this will result in widespread protest action. Law enforcement agencies, CPFs, and security organisations are in ongoing communication and liaison and are engaged in plans to be prepared for any eventualities.

The Norwood CPF shares the following community guidelines:

- Do not share non-verified posts and messages.
- Do not engage in any activities that may incite panic and/or violence.
- Notify your CPF, SAPS, or local security company of any mass gatherings or suspicious activities.
- Follow reliable sources of information such as your CPF groups and social media profiles.
- If you have to travel, check routes and plan appropriately.
- As much as possible, try to avoid any impacted areas.
- Do not engage with any protestors you may come across; try to get yourself out of the situation as calmly as possible and call for help.

The Norwood CPF is working closely with relevant organisations to evaluate the situation and alert the community of any issues that may arise. As a community, let's keep everyone safe by being vigilant, acting responsibly, and reporting all suspicious activities.

The Norwood CPF will update the community as information becomes available.

Thank you,  
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