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6 new police officers for Ipswich

Police numbers in Ipswich were boosted again today with the graduation of 92 new officers at a Queensland Police Service Induction in Brisbane.

Member for Ipswich and Minister for Transport, Rachel Nolan MP and Member for Ipswich West, Wayne Wendt MP said the six new officers posted to the Ipswich Police District will be a great asset to the local community.

"The new officers will assist in upholding community safety across Ipswich," Ms Nolan said.

"Today's graduates are part of the Bligh Government's commitment to increasing police numbers across the state and providing 600 new officers in this term of government.

"Police perform a vital role in the maintenance of law and order, and public safety, and I feel confident that our newest officers will continue to uphold that tradition of excellence.

"All Queenslanders should feel proud of the calibre of the men and women who police our community and these newest graduating constables are no exception."

Mr Wendt said the new constables come from a variety of backgrounds including education, professionals, trades, hospitality, human resources and administration.

"These individuals have embarked on and succeeded in the training which is required to become a police officer," Mr Wendt said.

"They have demonstrated outstanding qualities and the characteristics of determination, strength and resilience.

"There are many worthwhile occupations, but to have responsibility for the safety and security of all people in Queensland is the equal of any," Mr Wendt said.

The 92 new officers will be posted to the following regions (with the districts where available in brackets):

- Central (Rockhampton 5)
- Far Northern (Cairns 8)
- Metropolitan North (Metro North 16)
- Metropolitan South (Oxley 6, South Brisbane 11, Wynnum 3)
- North Coast (Gympie 5, Sunshine Coast 5, Maryborough 4)
- Northern (Townsville 3)
- South Eastern (SER 17)
- Southern (Ipswich 6, Toowoomba 5, Dalby 2)

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