

## Councilman Panico Rides with SCPD to Combat Criminal Activity in Our Community

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**Farmingville, NY** - Brookhaven Town Councilman Dan Panico recently took part in the Suffolk County Police Department's ride-along program that provides the opportunity for residents of Suffolk to ride with a police officer on patrol and experience firsthand how the police department's patrol division functions. Councilman Panico accompanied Police Officer Kevin Wustenhoff during his patrol that evening in the marked 715 car out of the 7th Precinct.

"During the course of the patrol Officer Wustenhoff and I exchanged information on the problems facing the 7th Precinct, specifically the challenges within the 6th Town Council District. Many of the issues and concerns regarding particular properties and hot-spots for illegal activity were well known to Officer Wustenhoff and other police officers that I had the opportunity to meet throughout the night," commented Brookhaven Town Councilman Dan Panico.

The 7th Precinct is headquartered on William Floyd Parkway, approximately one eighth of a mile south of the Long Island Expressway.

"I am pleased to have had the opportunity to get a unique view into the operations of our Police Department; a department that works exceedingly hard for the citizens. While I have gone, and will continue to go block by block and house by house to combat the quality of life concerns of our residents, the opportunity to speak directly with our law enforcement while going throughout the district was extremely insightful for both me and the officers. I want to give a special thanks to Sgt. Kopycinski and Sgt. Suarez for facilitating this opportunity," concluded Brookhaven Town Councilman Dan Panico.

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