



IMPORTANT MESSAGE

CAREER SURVEY

RESULTS

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MEMBERS WANT EXTRA POWERS AND GREATER CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Members will recall that the AFPA National Council 2006 unanimously resolved to

“...direct the National President to lobby the AFP to re-introduce the role and title of “Protective Service Constable” in recognition of the limited sworn powers currently held by PSOs”.

The AFPA has received an extraordinary response to the AFPA Aviation and Uniform Protection Career Survey which again validates the unanimous decision of the AFPA National Council. Survey results have provided strong evidence to bring to the attention of AFP management and the government. It demonstrates a flexible workforce committed to broadening their skill base, accepting greater powers (legislated powers of a Protective Service Constable backed up with appropriate training) and seeking career opportunities across the AFP.

The survey results in brief:

- **93% of surveyed officers agree that they see value in additional powers and clarification of role.**
- **95% of surveyed Aviation employees would like greater powers**
- **77 % of those surveyed would apply for a bridging course to work in aviation community policing or another policing role**
- **79% of Aviation & Uniform Protection Officers would like to develop their career within Aviation and Uniform Protection**
- **81% of those surveyed would like to develop their career path throughout the whole AFP**

The AFPA believes that it is in the interests of the AFP & Government to provide our PSO members with the powers and protections of the “independent office of constable” (backed by appropriate training) and career translation recognizing current salary and capabilities. The ball is in the AFP’s court – do they have as much vision as our members?

If you did not have a chance to complete the survey and would like to have your say, you can find the Aviation and Uniform Protection Survey on the publications page of the AFPA website www.afpa.org.au or you can contact the national office afpa.industrial@afpa.org.au