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1 NEW RECRUIT HIT THE BEAT AT HAWKESBURY

1 new probationary constable will commence duties in Hawkesbury after being sworn in at a private attestation ceremony at the Goulburn Police Academy last week.

Minister for Police and Emergency Services David Elliott congratulated the recruits on their dedication and hard work as they embarked on their chosen career in policing.

“Our 192 recruits of Class 343 come at an important time for the state of NSW. I wish them well as they embark on their chosen career,” Mr Elliott said.

“These officers can be assured that they have the full support of this government as they step into their career in law enforcement and service to the community.”

Last year, the NSW Government announced it was investing \$583 million to introduce 1500 extra police over four years to enhance community safety across NSW.

Robyn Preston MP, member for Hawkesbury, welcomed the new recruit to Hawkesbury.

“Our new police officer is a much-needed boost to the Hawkesbury community and will greatly help us as a community as we continue to face this COVID-19 crisis,” Ms Preston said.

“On behalf of the community, I am pleased to welcome this officer to their new command.”

Class 343 includes 130 men and 62 women and includes recruits from a diverse background.

Twenty-three recruits were born overseas in countries including Zimbabwe, Chile and South Korea. Many are from non-English speaking backgrounds, with nine recruits fluent in a second language including Arabic, Korean and Vietnamese.

Six recruits are Indigenous with four coming through the Indigenous Police Recruitment Our Way Delivery (IPROWD) program.

The recruits have completed eight months of foundational training and the new probationary constable allocated to commands within Hawkesbury will report to the station from Monday 12 October 2020.