



Royal Solomon Islands Police Force

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Playing of loud music after hours is a joint effort to manage it not for police alone

Playing of loud music in our communities after hours has been a practice that needs a joint effort to manage, not just police alone.

This concern raised by members of the communities is that playing loud music is very disturbing, especially after hours.

Police have been responding to a number of these incidents after hours and warned them, but the practice is still ongoing.

Police have been encouraging complainants of those incidents to file a case against those playing loud music after hours, but they fail to turn up to formally open a case for further dealings.

Supervising Provincial Police Commander (PPC) Honiara City Police, Superintendent Mark Buga, says the issue of playing loud music after hours needs a joint effort to address it.

PPC Buga says some reports police have been attending to in the past weekend's operations involved our youths, which needs a joint collaborative effort to address by police, parents and community leaders.

Honiara City Police boss says parents are playing a pivotal role in managing a home with good teaching of our young ones. Police are only here to enforce the law, and we encourage complainants to come forward to report cases, but they fail.

Mr Buga says a precedent has been set in the past where a court sentenced an accused to six months' imprisonment for a similar incident of playing loud music at Lengakiki.

He says parents must work closely with police and deal with those who used to play loud music after hours. Ideally, it is beneficial to formally report a case so that police can deal with and bring it before the court.

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