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I INTRODUCTION

James Cook University, through its College of Arts, Society and Education has, since 2015, organised a Criminology Mini-Conference every year to provide criminal justice agencies in the Townsville region an opportunity to present their policies and programs to fellow government officials (state and local), academics, Criminology@JCU students, and relevant NGOs. These annual forums allow for a more extensive discussion of the crime problems that plague the region, and how the efforts of local criminal justice practitioners, properly and fully explained, impact upon crime and deviance within the community. This year (2018), the 4th Annual Criminology Mini-Conference is particularly fortunate to have as its partner, the *James Cook University Law Review*. As a result of this partnership, all presentations delivered at this event will be published as peer-reviewed articles in a special section of this issue. The central focus of these papers will gravitate around the theme: *Beyond Mere Deterrence: Rethinking Criminal Justice Policies for North Queensland*.

II THE SCOPE OF THE 4TH ANNUAL CRIMINOLOGY MINI-CONFERENCE

The first paper in this special section, written by the present authors, sets the intellectual environment within which all of the following articles are situated:

- Associate Professor Simon Foale
 - An Anthropologist's Perspective on Criminal Justice in North Queensland
- Mr Peter Hall and Dr Mark David Chong
 - A prison's social climate, and its impact on reintegration and recidivism
- Inspector Joe Kitching and Dr Mark David Chong
 - Striving towards a holistic approach to policing: The Townsville Rapid Action and Patrols Model
- Ms Sandy Pieper, Mr Alec Jones and Ms Samantha Galton
 - Integrated Case Management: A holistic and collaborative approach to the case management of high risk young offenders in Townsville, Australia
- Mr Zac Murphy, Ms Mechelle Hofmann and Ms Vicki Miles
 - Townsville Stronger Communities Action Group: Intensive case coordination of families and young people
- Ms Kristle Taylor and Ms Tara Thomas
 - The Supervision of High Risk Sexual Offenders in North Queensland

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