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# Council flies flags at half mast to mark mourning and respect to fallen QLD police officers

Barkly Regional Council will fly its flags at half mast today as a mark of mourning and respect to the two Queensland police officers who were tragically killed on 12 December.

Constable McCrow and Constable Arnold lost their lives in the line of duty in an execution-style ambush at a remote Wieambilla property in QLD.

Constable McCrow passed away at the age of 29. She had served in the Queensland Police Service for one year and six months, having been sworn in in June 2021.

Constable Arnold passed away at the age of 26. He had served in the Queensland Police Service for two years and nine months, having been sworn in in March 2020.

The Queensland Police Service is holding a service for the two constables today in Boondall, QLD.

Acting Mayor Russell O'Donnell said the tragedy was a reminder of what our local police force risk in the line of duty to protect and serve their communities.

"Next time you see one of our local police officers, give them a thank you. Being a police officer is an extremely stressful occupation, physically and emotionally," he said.

"It is a tough job not just for the officers but also for the families who support them.

"Council stands with the families of the fallen and with the entire police family impacted by this tragic event."



Acting Mayor Russell O'Donnell urges residents of the Barkly to give thanks to our dedicated police officers.