

# **OIDA – Security Committee Report**

The security Committee was set up as OIDA security intervention to resolve safety challenges of Orin Ekiti and improve the security of lives and properties in the hometown especially because of resurgence of kidnapping activities around the town.

Initially, the committee worked with Orin National Council ONC to deliver the much-needed protection of our people. At a later stage, the network was extended to a larger operational group made up of paramilitary professionals at Orin Ekiti

The collaboration engaged 11 local community operatives (hunters) who policed the town, improved security consciousness, gathered intelligence to stem activities of theft to properties within the town. More importantly, assured the safety of our people. It is important to mention that the community police were engaged on salary. Regular monthly salary payment have been sustained by the home security group with OIDA support.

## **Achievements**

With your support, the committee introduced use of technology to tackle our security challenges. We procured and used a high-quality GPS aerial surveillance drone. The hardware was managed 'on ground' by a trained resource who piloted (and still pilot) the drone for aerial surveillance of the entire Orin Farm Settlement space to build security intelligence.

We recorded a visible security architecture (both human and techy) acknowledged by Ekiti State Police as laudable contribution to community security.

Also, on record, one of our security operatives is a member of Ido-Osi Local Government Security network made up of Local hunters, Amotekun and the Police. The intelligence of the network is beneficial to Orin Ekiti. We are proud to say that the security of lives and properties in Orin Ekiti is a lot better than her immediate past.

## **Future outlook**

On - going security partnership is a one-year initiative. It came with a huge financial burden of N1.4 million annual salary bill excluding other operational logistics. The security of the hometown poses high financial burden with significant funding risks. Continuity is a huge challenge for all stakeholders.

As you may be aware, current Orin National Council has been dissolved. A new ONC with Mr Ropo Bamisaye as Chairman will be established hopefully in December 2023.

The security of Orin Ekiti will come under the portfolio and responsibility of the new ONC.

I want to appreciate Baba Adegboyo and Oga Taiwo Fatureti for their financial backing to Committee efforts. Their support and commitment of committee members has made the security assignment a delight despite the challenges

Thank you

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