

MINUTES

COMMUNITY SAFETY REFERENCE GROUP



9.30AM ON THURSDAY 13 AUGUST 2015

PRESENT	
Mark North	Mark Devine
Mick Marshall	

IN ATTENDANCE	
Armando Reviglio, Community & Cultural Development Manager (Acting)	Melanie Duncan, Community Safety Officer
Claire Knight, Graffiti Officer	Annie Edgar, Administration Support (Minutes)

- 1 APOLOGIES – Apologies were received and accepted on behalf of Lord Mayor Gordon Bradbery and Lila Dimoski.
- 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – None declared.
- 3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 11 JUNE 2015 – confirmed.
- 4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES
The Perception of Safety Report will be made public after going to Council.
- 5 COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE
AFZ Stanwell Park – The recommendation will be for a pocket park area opposite the aged care facility to become an Alcohol Prohibited Area.
Department of Justice crime prevention funding received written confirmation - \$46,300. The Berkeley Safer Spaces projects are currently being set up.
Local Government Community Safety Crime Prevention Network (LGCSCP) – Generally meets 4 times a year – the Executive committee will be coordinating a Community Safety conference in Wollongong next March.
Melanie going on maternity leave – Radda Jordan will be acting as Community Safety Officer in her absence.
- 6 GRAFFITI REPORT
 - Audit with Police at Guest Park Fairy Meadow- this area is a priority site
 - 80 jobs on the waiting list for removal from non-council assets, these can only be actioned when our Community Partnership program is active again. We are waiting for a sign off on MOU's with NSW Corrective Services and Essential Personnel
 - Letter have gone out to owners seeking permission for Community Partnership volunteers to remove graffiti from their property

- Bellambi Surf Club – rapid removal of graffiti has been working to reduce the amount of graffiti on the club building over the past 10 months – looking at options for undertaking a graffiti prevention mural on the building.
- 882 reports of graffiti - 439 - Council assets - 443 – non council assets.

7 POLICE REPORT

Wollongong LAC

Break and enters in northern suburbs – taskforce set up, letter box drops, some good arrests have been made, has worked well.

Bike Week Event – 20 September – Naomi Reid Council's Road Safety Officer is coordinating and police are participating. There will be a lot of officers on push bikes and a chance for people to register their bike details.

Looking at Bellambi again – recommending a community safety audit be conducted in the area to identify the issues and then work out actions that can be undertaken by a variety of stakeholders. A community development worker is working in the area.

Push for capturing DNA – new techniques now taking only 3 weeks to get results.

8 REPORTS FROM OTHER AGENCIES

Correctional Services

- Discussion on the community partnerships programs.

Community Representative

- Graffiti at free bus stops
- Property Strata Groups do not always respond – make sure contact is made re graffiti on private property
- Wollongong Harbour safety update – add buoy rings to the entrance, both sides of the harbour, removal of shed, survey of heavy metals near slipway – report due by November
- Contact Mick re clearing rubbish from sections of the harbour area.

9 GENERAL BUSINESS

Police currently negotiating topics for a conference next year on ice, highlighting the impact it has on crime.

- Steal from dwelling
- Steal from motor vehicle
- Damage caused to Police, Ambulance Service and Emergency Department personnel in the line of duty.

The meeting concluded at 10.45am.

Minutes to be confirmed at the next meeting to be held at 9.30am on Thursday 8 October 2015.

2015 – Future Meeting Schedule

Thursday 8 October	Level 10 Committee Rooms 2 and 3	9.30am – 11am
Thursday 10 December	Level 10 Committee Rooms 2 and 3	9.30am – 11am

ACTION SUMMARY

Item	Action	Officer	Status
3	Look into Stop sign and White line at side road near Fraternity Club	Armando	Sent to Ted Collins in Traffic – completed.
4	Scott requested Condom Dispensers to be installed at Council Facilities	Melanie	Completed