



Shire of Northam
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Agenda

Community Safety Committee

11 November 2016

NOTICE PAPER

Shire of Northam Community Safety Committee

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Committee Members

I inform you that a Community Safety Committee meeting will be held in the Council Chambers, located at 395 Fitzgerald Street, Northam on 11 November 2016 at 2pm.

Yours faithfully



Jason Whiteaker
Chief Executive Officer

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1. DECLARATION OF OPENING

2. ATTENDANCE

Committee Members:

Chairperson	J Williams
Councillor	D G Beresford
Councillor	C Davidson
Northam Roadwise Committee	Cliff Simpson
Community Representative	Margaret O'Reilly
Local Youth Service Representative	Jane Atterby
Department Sport and Recreation	Jenifer Collins
Department Education	Sharon Bray
Health Representative	Greg Bentley
Department of Housing	Attila Mencshelyi
Holyoake	Eloise Fewster
Safer Northam Committee	Brian Webb

Committee Ex-Officio Members:

Wundowie Police	Max Walker
Community Development Officer	Michelle Blackhurst
Department Child Protection and Family Support	Dawn Lamperd
Main Roads Western Australia	Elizabeth Davies
Northam PCYC Youth Trainer	Mark Hardwick

2.1 APOLOGIES

LDAG	Rose Power
Northam Chamber of Commerce	Paul Tomlinson
Executive Manager Community Services	Ross Rayson
Northam Police	Geoff Dixon

2.2 APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Item Name	Item No.	Name	Type of Interest	Nature of Interest

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 16 SEPTEMBER 2016

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Shire of Northam Community Safety Committee meeting held Friday, 16 September 2016 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

5.1 COMMUNITY SAFETY AND CRIME PREVENTION PLAN UPDATE

Address:	
Owner:	Shire of Northam
File Reference:	1.3.12.1
Reporting Officer:	Community Development Officer
Responsible Officer:	Executive Manager Community Services
Voting Requirement	Simple or Absolute Majority

BRIEF

To update the Committee on the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan actions.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan – Action Plan

BACKGROUND / DETAILS

The Shire of Northam Community Safety and Crime Prevention (CSCP) Plan 2016-2020 is a four year strategic outlook for the Shire of Northam that aims to map the issues of primary concern to the community and document the strategies and partnerships to deal with these issues.

Together with key partners, the Shire of Northam is committed to ensuring continual improvements to community safety with a particular emphasis on minimising the occurrence and opportunity for antisocial and criminal activity.

The CSCP Plan 2016-2020 has brought all of the current data together to help the Committee to understand 'What is the Northam story'. This will help the Committee to reconcile where the facts and the perceptions differ.

CONSIDERATIONS

Strategic Community / Corporate Business Plan

Objective: Create an environment that provides for a caring and healthy community.

Strategy: Provide community services to uphold public safety standards.

Action: Review and implement the Shire of Northam Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan

Financial / Resource Implications

N/A

Legislative Compliance

N/A

Policy Implications

N/A

Stakeholder Engagement / Consultation

N/A

Risk Implications

N/A

OFFICER'S COMMENT

The Shire of Northam's Community Development Officer will provide an update on recent activities.

Criminal or Offending Behaviour

- Lock and Light program
- Alcohol and Other Drugs Management Plan – Eloise Fewster from Holyoake to provide an update

Community Awareness

- Business Security – Police/Shire CBD walk to reduce shoplifting
- Senior Week Silver Fair – Burglar Awareness Packs

Building Partnerships

- Youth Stakeholders – Night Hoops program. Mark Hardwick to provide an update.
- Northam Roadwise Committee – Cliff Simpson to talk about the Northam Roadwise Committee and possible partnerships.

Community Design

- Youth Precinct update
- CCTV Project update

RECOMMENDATION

That Council accept the update provided.

5.2 COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE BRANDING

Address:	
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BRIEF

To seek Committee support for branding of the Community Safety Committee.

BACKGROUND / DETAILS

Most other Council based community safety groups have a brand so that they are identifiable as the committee and not only as the Shire.

Senior Sergeant Geoff Dickson suggested that the Committee could develop a slogan and our own logo to be used alongside the Shire of Northam logo. Senior Sergeant Dickson suggested that using the right words in a slogan will help the committee to promote the importance of the community being involved in community safety.

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OFFICER'S COMMENT

Is the Community Safety Committee interested in developing a slogan and a logo to brand the Community Safety Committee to be more inclusive of the Committee's participating organisations?

Examples of other slogans:

"Working together to keep our community safe".

"Community safety starts with you".

Senior Sergeant Dickson has suggested "Developing a resilient safer community". If the Committee would like to develop a brand, are there any suggestions of slogans or logos?

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the development of Community Safety Committee branding, including a slogan and logo, to be used in conjunction with the Shire of Northam logo.

5.3 PEAK PERIOD FOR CRIME – NOVEMBER TO JANUARY

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BRIEF

The Shire of Northam receives crime statistical information which indicates that November to January is the peak period for crime.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1: Community Safety Committee – Communication Tools

BACKGROUND / DETAILS

The Shire of Northam receives crime statistics which indicate that November to January is the peak period for crime.

Local Police have indicated that the majority of the community members being targeted are the soft targets. The soft targets are the people that are not taking extra care to secure their homes and belongings.

A community awareness campaign would assist the community to understand how to help to reduce crime during this peak period.

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Policy Implications

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Risk Implications

N/A

OFFICER'S COMMENT

Is the Community Safety Committee interested in facilitating a community awareness campaign during December and January?

Would the Committee consider a Community Safety Committee branded campaign?

Attached is a draft Community Safety Committee Communication Plan. Does the Committee have ideas that can be implemented using these communication tools?

6. URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY PERSON PRESIDING OR BY DECISION

Shire of Northam Building Maintenance Officer Mr Nathan Gough raised a matter for the Committee's consideration with regard to the Bernard Park Toilets and people using drugs. This includes syringe disposal in public places, syringe disposal units and unsafe use of the public toilets. Mr Gough will provide an update and seek advice from the Committee.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

This meeting is the final meeting for 2016.

Meeting dates for 2017:

Friday, 17 February 2017 at 2pm
Friday, 21 April 2017 at 2pm
Friday, 16 June 2017 at 2pm
Friday, 18 August 2017 at 2pm
Friday, 13 October 2017 at 2pm
Friday, 08 December 2017 at 2pm

8. DECLARATION OF CLOSURE