

APOLOGIES

Simone Jolley	Department of Justice
Dr Joe McGirr	Member for Riverina
Troy Trgetaric	General Manager Wagga Base Hospital
Peter Thompson	General Manager Wagga Wagga City Council
Cr Paul Funnell	Wagga Wagga City Council

PRESENT

Andrew Stockman	Department of Premier and Cabinet
Adrian Telfer	NSW Police, Wagga Wagga Local Area Command
Bob Noble	NSW Police, Wagga Wagga Local Area Command
Jenene McGrath	Department of Education
Brad Wotton	Communities and Justice
Jye Ryan	Mission Australia
Mayor, Cr Greg Conkey	Wagga Wagga City Council
Cr Kerry Pascoe	Wagga Wagga City Council
Cr Tim Koschel	Wagga Wagga City Council
Colin Taggart	Neighbourhood Watch
Saba Nabi	Community Member
Justin Busuttil	Community Member
Thomas Gardiner	Community Member
Kat van der Wijngaart	Community Member

IN ATTENDANCE

Janice Summerhayes	Director Community
Madeleine Scully	Manager Community Services
Lisa Saffery	Social Planning Coordinator
Dianne Wright	Land and Real Property Coordinator
Michelle Castle	Minute Taker

The meeting of the Crime Prevention Working Group commenced at 1:00pm.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to Acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of this Land, on which this meeting takes place and to pay my respects to Elders past and present.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

CM-1 CRIME PREVENTION WORKING GROUP - 25 NOVEMBER 2019

Recommendation:

On the Motion of Councillor K van der Wijngaart and T Gardiner

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Crime Prevention Working Group Meeting held on 25 November 2019 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest received.

PRESENTATION BY MISSION AUSTRALIA

Jye Ryan, Program Manager, Mission Australia delivered a verbal presentation on the program "Youth on Track" and provided information on the project.

REPORTS

RP-1 PEDESTRIAN LANEWAY CLOSURE PETITION - BANDERA AVENUE, GLENFIELD PARK

Recommendation:

On the Motion of Councillor T Koschel and K van der Wijngaart

Recommendation

That the Crime Prevention Working Group:

- a note the receipt of the petition for closure of the pedestrian laneway in Bandera Place, Glenfield Park**
- b defer any decision concerning closure of the pedestrian laneway until the full laneway review report is completed for 25 May 2020**
- c receive information in the report in b) that considers physical treatments to address crime and antisocial activities**

CARRIED

RP-2 PRIORITIES FOR CONSIDERATION FOR THE CRIME PREVENTION WORKING GROUP

Recommendation:

On the Motion of K van der Wijngaart and Councillor T Koschel

That the Crime Prevention Working Group:

- a receive and note the report**
- b focus on the three identified priority areas of which align with Council's adopted Crime Prevention Plan 2017-2021 being:
 - i Priority 1 – Neighbourhood and home security**
 - ii Domestic Violence**
 - iii Youth Crime****
- c invite representatives from NSW Department of Communities and Justice to present at the next Crime Prevention Working Group meeting on the new Re-offending Prevention Program for Wagga Wagga**

CARRIED

RP-3 REPORT ON ABANDONED SOCIAL HOUSING PROPERTIES

Recommendation:

On the Motion of S Nabi and Councillor T Koschel

That the Crime Prevention Working Group:

- a receive and note the report**
- b Communities and Justice to invite Department of Housing Tenancy Manager to the next Crime Prevention Working Group meeting.**

CARRIED

BUSINESS WITH NOTICE

1. Frequency and Timings of Meetings

Within the Crime Prevention Working Group Terms of Reference the Working Group is to meet quarterly, or as determined by the Working Group.

It was agreed by the working group to meet bi monthly from 12 noon to 2pm. The meetings will be held on the following dates;

- Monday 20 April 2020
- Monday 22 June 2020

- Monday 31 August 2020

GENERAL BUSINESS AROUND THE TABLE

Working Group Members Around the Table

1. Kat van der Wijngaart asked for clarification on Wagga Youth Interagency Groups. It was advised that Wagga Youth Interagency is non-government and government organisations that meet once a month to look at resources, programs, youth disadvantage focus areas and gaps in youth services in Wagga Wagga.
2. Kat van der Wijngaart advised that the Attorney General's Department has a funding program that can be accessed with a Crime Prevention Strategy in place.

Action: Council's Social Planner to investigate the Attorney General's funding program to clarify if this is still available for adopted Crime Prevention plans and advise back at the next meeting.

3. Kat van der Wijngaart would like an item included in Council news, on Council's social media page on the Crime Prevention Working Group.

Action: Council's Communication and Engagement team to implement.

4. Saba Naba discussed the lack of multilingual resources available on domestic violence.

Action: Council's Social Planning team to follow up with NSW Department of Health and/or other relevant organisations.

Wagga Wagga Local Area Command Update

Wagga Wagga Local Area Command provided an update on trending crime rates and the new High Visibility team that has commenced in Wagga Wagga with five police officers.

NEW BUSINESS WITH NOTICE

1. Kat van der Wijngaart requested Council to invite a representative from PCYC to attend the next Crime Prevention Working Group meeting to discuss Youth at Risk programs.

Action: Council's Social Planner to invite a representative from PCYC.

2. Thomas Gardiner put forward the following motion;

I'm calling for a sub-committee of the Crime Prevention Working Group to be put in place by the Wagga Wagga City Council with no more than 4-6 members to physically approach residents of high crime rated areas and discuss ideas, thoughts and actions they wish to take or would like to share with either the Wagga Wagga City Council or the Wagga Wagga Crime Prevention Group.

Action: This motion was taken on notice to be discussed at the next Crime Prevention Working Group meeting.

NEXT MEETING:

Monday 20 April 2020 at 12 noon.

The Crime Prevention Working Group rose at 2:24pm.