

PRESENT

Adrian Telfer	NSW Police, Wagga Wagga Local Area Command
Michael Whiteside	Communities and Justice
Mayor, Cr Greg Conkey OAM	Wagga Wagga City Council
Cr Paul Funnell	Wagga Wagga City Council
Dr Joe McGirr	Member for Wagga Wagga
Colin Taggart	Neighbourhood Watch
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
Michelle Castle	Minute Taker

APOLOGIES

Andrew Stockman	Department of Premier and Cabinet
Bob Noble	NSW Police, Wagga Wagga Local Area Command
Jenene McGrath	Department of Education
Brad Wotton	Communities and Justice
Beth Van Bast	Communities and Justice
Brett Sommerville	PCYC
Cr Kerry Pascoe	Wagga Wagga City Council
Cr Tim Koschel	Wagga Wagga City Council
Saba Nabi	Community Member
Peter Thompson	General Manager

The meeting of the Crime Prevention Working Group commenced at 12:04pm.

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 - 24 FEBRUARY 2020

Recommendation:

On the Motion of T Gardiner and K van der Wijngaart

That the Minutes of the proceedings of the Crime Prevention Working Group Meeting held on 24 February 2020 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No Declarations of Interest were received.

PRESENTATION BY COMMUNITIES AND JUSTICE

Michael Whiteside, Communities and Justice delivered a verbal update on abandoned social housing properties, priority areas and process on how this is being addressed.

REPORTS

RP-1 WAGGA WAGGA PEDESTRIAN WALKWAY REVIEW REPORT

Recommendation:

On the Motion of T Gardiner and K van der Wijngaart

That the Crime Prevention Working Group:

- a receive and note the report**
- b endorse the recommendations contained in this report**

CARRIED

RP-2 UPDATE ON ACTIONS FROM 24 FEBRUARY 2020 CRIME PREVENTION WORKING GROUP MEETING

Recommendation:

On the Motion of K van der Wijngaart and T Gardiner

That the Crime Prevention Working Group (CPWG) receive and note this report.

CARRIED

BUSINESS WITH NOTICE

1. Committee Resignations

Resignations have been received from Community Member Justin Busuttil and Simone Jolley from Department of Justice.

Action: Janice Summerhayes will provide a report to the next meeting around process of committee resignations and options for the remaining term of the Crime Prevention Working Group.

2. Sub Committee Motion

The below amended motion was put forward and endorsed.

Recommendation:

On the Motion of T Gardiner and K van der Wijngaart

That a sub-committee of the Crime Prevention Working Group be put in place to help Wagga Wagga City Council to coordinate a survey of residents of high crime related areas to discuss ideas thoughts and actions that can contribute to the review process of Council's 2021 Crime Prevention Plan.

Membership will consist of T Gardiner, K van der Wijngaart and Mayor, Councillor Greg Conkey OAM (ex-officio).

Action: Lisa Saffery to coordinate input with the subcommittee as per the above motion.

3. Illegal Drugs in Wagga Wagga

Dr Joe McGirr raised concerns about illegal drugs off shore due to Covid-19.

Action: Adrian Telfer, Detective Inspector to provide information on illegal drugs supply and response at the next meeting 21 September 2020.

GENERAL BUSINESS AROUND THE TABLE

Working Group Members Around the Table

1. Thomas Gardiner requested information and the process on habitual offenders. Beth Van Bast from Communities and Justice will provide information on the Offending Program at the next meeting.
2. Thomas Gardiner requested information on crime relating to age and type of offences.

Action: Adrian Telfer, Detective Inspector to provide this information to Council's Social Planner for circulation to the working group members.

Wagga Wagga Local Area Command Update

Wagga Wagga Local Area Command provided an updated on police targets over the last reporting period, general statistics, border closures and proactive approach regarding domestic violence.

CLOSED COMMITTEE

The Crime Prevention Working Group rose at 12:54pm.