



Community Safety Advisory Committee UNCONFIRMED MINUTES REPORT

Tuesday, 28 March 2023

8.36 AM

at the Mayoral Reception Room

Opening of Meeting and Announcement of Visitors

The Chair, Councillor Russ Cook opened the meeting at 8.36 am.

Present

Members

Councillor Russ Cook – Chair
Councillor Suzanne Blom
Katrina McIntosh
Dr Mark David Chong
Acting Inspector Todd Noble

Sandra Crosato-Matters

Steven MacDonald
Babette Doherty
Simon Stewart

Tania Sheppard

Verity Bennett
Natalie Marr
Corinne Moore

Townsville City Council
Townsville City Council
The Salvation Army
James Cook University
Queensland Police Service (proxy for Inspector
Dean Cavanagh)
Department of Seniors, Disability Services and
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships
Department of Transport and Main Roads
Victims Assist Queensland
Townsville Community Corrections (Proxy for
Jeanna Clearwater)
Department of Communities, Housing and Digital
Economy
NQ Domestic Violence Resource Service
Crime Stoppers
Department of Children, Youth Justice and Multicultural
Affairs

TCC Staff

Rebecca Pola
Jacqui Cowell
Krystal Jessop

Meeting Facilitator / Community Safety Officer
General Manager Community and Lifestyle
Community Development Officer

Acknowledgement of Country

The Chair acknowledged the Wulgurukaba of Gurambilbarra and Yunbenun, Bindal, Gugu Badhun and Nywaigi as the Traditional Owners of this land. We pay our respects to their cultures, their ancestors, and their Elders – past and present – and all future generations.

Apologies

Wendy Ah Chin

Queensland Health

Membership Update

The Chair, Councillor Russ Cook advised that Wendy Ah Chin (Queensland Health) has resigned from Queensland Health.

The Meeting Facilitator advised that Council will reapproach Queensland Health for a replacement for Wendy for this Committee, if they wish.

Dr Mark David Chong put forward the name of a suggested replacement for this Committee.

Confirm Quorum

A quorum was present at the meeting.

Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Advisory Committee Meeting

It was MOVED by Babette Doherty, SECONDED by Dr Mark David Chong:

“that the minutes of the Community Safety Advisory Committee meeting of 8 November 2022 be confirmed.”

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Disclosure of Interests and Confidentiality - Statement by Meeting Facilitator

The Meeting Facilitator reminded councillors and committee members of their obligations for confidentiality and disclosing declarable conflicts of interest and prescribed conflicts of interest for items on the agenda.

Disclosure of Interests

- (i) (Raised at) general business item (i) – (Possible) conflict of interest – Natalie Marr – “I have just been appointed the LNP candidate for the seat of Thuringowa for the upcoming election.”

The Meeting Facilitator asked the Committee if they had any concerns with this; which they did not.

Natalie Marr voluntarily decided to vacate the meeting for general business item (i).

Introduction of new Meeting Facilitator for this Committee

The Meeting Facilitator, Rebecca Pola advised that she has resigned from Council. The Meeting Facilitator introduced Krystal Jessop who will be the Acting Community Safety Officer and Interim Meeting Facilitator for this Committee.

Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence

The Meeting Facilitator provided an overview of incoming and outgoing correspondence relating to this Committee.

The Meeting Facilitator advised that Renae Long has left the position of Chief Executive Officer of Crime Stoppers and that David Hanson is the Interim Chief Executive Officer.

Review of Agenda Submissions and Meeting Action Register

The Meeting Facilitator provided an update on the following meeting actions (i) to (v):

- (i) 18/2022 Council, Queensland Police Service and Crime Stoppers signage partnership
- (ii) 23/2022 Email link to Head to Health video

Natalie Marr and Councillor Suzanne Blom took at seat at the meeting.

Meeting Action

That the Meeting Facilitator arrange with Head to Health to see if they are able to do a walk through of the facility (with available Committee members).

- (iii) 24/2022 Email to Committee on Help to Home program
- (iv) 25/2022 Working group meeting for over 60s support at libraries
- (v) 27/2022 Email Committee with a schedule of meetings for 2023

Corinne Moore took a seat at the meeting during the following item.

Simon Stewart and Steven MacDonald vacated the meeting briefly during the following item.

Presentations

1 Graffiti Action Plan update

The Meeting Facilitator provided an update on the Graffiti Action Plan 2021-2024 which included the following information:

- achievements to date (snapshot)
 - a second kit option has been added to the free Graffiti Removal Kits;
 - a legal street artwork was completed in Flinders Street called 'Equus';
 - 5 restorative justice conferencing requests have been received with one ending in a written apology to Council;
 - 8 letters have been issued to property owners after Council received a complaint of graffiti;
 - a legal street art video was launched (video was shown at the meeting);
 - Council has graffiti resources and information on its public website (Safe Places - Townsville City Council); and
 - meeting with other organisations with graffiti management processes (including Department of Transport and Main Roads, Ergon Energy and Queensland Rail).
- What you can do to help, including information on the Snap Send Solve app.
- Copies of brochure 'free Graffiti Removal Kit' tabled at the meeting.

The Committee discussed this item.

Sandra Crosato-Matters vacated the meeting.

Verity Bennett acknowledged the amount of work undertaken by Rebecca Pola, Meeting Facilitator and Krystal Jessop, Community Development Officer with regards to the Graffiti Action Plan.

Acting Inspector Todd Noble vacated the meeting.

Meeting adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9.36am.

Meeting recommencement

The Chair, Councillor Russ Cook reconvened the meeting at 9.56am.

Dr Mark David Chong vacated the meeting.

Agenda Submissions

2 Perceptions of crime – where do organisations sit in this ?

This item was held over to the next Committee meeting.

Natalie Marr vacated the meeting for the following item.

Tania Sheppard vacated the meeting during the following item.

General Business

(i) Roundtable discussion – Mayoral Minute

The Meeting Facilitator referred to the Mayoral Minute regarding the Safer Communities Action Plan and Queensland Government inaction on crime as well as providing an overview of the following questions (displayed at the meeting):

Crime and stakeholder contribution

- How should levels of government work together ?
- What could be Council's role to play in this ?
 - Facilitator
 - Funder
 - Regulator
 - Promoter
 - Provider
- How does your service interplay ?
 - Enforcement
 - Education
 - Intervention
 - Diversion
 - Prevention
- Looking forward what needs to happen for better outcomes ?

The Committee discussed this item.

Meeting Actions

1. That the Chair, Councillor Russ Cook and the Meeting Facilitator set up individual meetings with the sections of the Committee that may be useful to have a one on ones with to consider some of the matters.
2. That the Meeting Facilitator collate an indication of what Council does currently and that this information be forwarded to the next Committee meeting.

The Meeting Facilitator encouraged the committee members to put in agenda submissions.

(ii) Update - NQ Domestic Violence Resource Service

Verity Bennett provided the following updates:

- the NQ Domestic Violence Resource Service will soon be moving to a new premises. Verity advised of the benefit of the relocation;
- a tender for a High Risk Team is out at the moment;
- advice of a trial of a men's behaviour change program on-line; and
- Verity reminded the Committee members of the new DV Action Group and DV Network and requested the committee members to contact Verity or anybody else you know at the NQ Domestic Violence Resource Service if you would like to be on the Action Group or the Network; whichever you prefer.

(iii) Update - Victims Assist Queensland

Babette Doherty advised of a new High Risk Team position at Victims Assist Queensland, a change to guidelines and explanation of this and the introduction of two specific First Nation working groups.

(iv) Update - Townsville Community Corrections

Simon Stewart provided an update on Townsville Community Corrections particularly with regards to the High Risk Team.

(v) Update - Department of Children, Youth Justice and Multicultural Affairs

Corinne Moore provided an update on the Department of Children, Youth Justice and Multicultural Affairs including advice of a new High Risk Team position and a push around the development of frameworks and procedures for working with young people who are perpetrators of violence.

Jacqui Cowell vacated the meeting during the following item.

(vi) Update - The Salvation Army

Katrina McIntosh provided an update on The Salvation Army including advice that its recovery service, based on John Melton Black Drive, is not at capacity (so if anyone needs to do referrals please do) and advice that it is in the final throws of formalising its Volunteer Management Program.

Steven MacDonald vacated the meeting during the following item.

(vii) Update - Crime Stoppers

Natalie Marr advised that Renae (former Chief Executive Officer of Crime Stoppers) will be greatly missed.

Natalie provided an update on Crime Stoppers which included the advice that she has been working on trying to find opportunities to start promoting branding of Crime Stoppers again and that there is a focus at the moment on trying to bring in volunteers, particularly younger 15+ volunteers.

The Chair, Councillor Russ Cook thanked Rebecca Pola (Meeting Facilitator) for all her great work and professionalism. Councillor Cook wished Rebecca all the best.

Confirmation of Next Meeting

The next Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 30 May 2023 at 8.30 am at the Townsville Stadium.

Close of Meeting

The Chair closed the meeting at 10.37am.

**COUNCILLOR RUSS COOK
CHAIR**

Attachments

Attachment 1 - CSAC Agenda Submissions and Meeting Action Register

Attachment 2 - CSAC 2023 Meeting Schedule

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Action Item No.	Agenda Submission / Meeting Actions	Item	Action to be taken	Date Listed	Responsible Officer	Completed Date
18/2022	Meeting Action	Crime Stoppers Queensland	That a recommendation be made to Council regarding a partnership with Crime Stoppers and the Queensland Police Service (QPS), to consider Crime Stoppers/QPS signage (to also include QR codes) in relevant public spaces.	19/07/2022	Meeting Facilitator	22/03/2023
23/2022	Meeting Action	Meeting action register (i) - 19/2022 Request for a Head to Health Service Presentation	Meeting Facilitator to email a link to the video and contact Head to Health to see if a tour can be booked for CSAC members.	8/11/2022	Meeting Facilitator	
24/2022	Meeting Action	Meeting action register (ii) - Feedback from members on over 60s data request	The Meeting Facilitator to include information on Help to Home program in email to committee.	8/11/2022	Meeting Facilitator	15/11/2022
25/2022	Meeting Action	Meeting action register (ii) - Feedback from members on over 60s data request	The Meeting Facilitator to organise a Teams meeting with working group (over 60s support at libraries).	8/11/2022	Meeting Facilitator	21/11/2022
26/2022	Committee Recommendation	Meeting action register (ii) - Feedback from members on over 60s data request	That Council consider additional library services to support the over 60s group, as defined by the working group.	8/11/2022	Meeting Facilitator	

27/2022	Meeting Action	CSAC meeting schedule 2023	The Meeting Facilitator to email the committee with a schedule of meetings for 2023.	8/11/2022	Meeting Facilitator	30/01/2023
28/2023	Agenda Submission	Perceptions of Crime – Where do organisations sit with this?	Agenda item for March 2023 meeting	28/03/2023	Meeting Facilitator	
29/2023	Meeting Action	Review of Agenda Submissions and Meeting Action Register	That the Meeting Facilitator arrange with Head to Health to see if they are able to do a walk through of the facility (with available Committee members).	28/03/2023	Meeting Facilitator	
30/2023	Meeting Action	Roundtable discussion – Mayoral Minute	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That the Chair, Councillor Russ Cook and the Meeting Facilitator set up individual meetings with the sections of the Committee that may be useful to have a one on ones with to consider some of the matters. 2. That the Meeting Facilitator collate an indication of what Council does currently and that this information be forwarded to the next Committee meeting. 	28/03/2023	Meeting Facilitator	

Attachment 2 - CSAC Meeting Schedule 2023

Month	Date	Time	Location
March	Tuesday 28 March	8.30 am	Mayoral Reception Room
May	Tuesday 30 May	8.30 am	Townsville Stadium
July	Tuesday 4 July	8.30 am	TBA
September	Tuesday 5 September	8.30 am	Townsville Stadium
November	Tuesday 14 November	8.30 am	Townsville Stadium