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AGENDA

COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Community Safety Committee will be held in the Guringai Room, Civic Centre, Dee Why on

THURSDAY 15 AUGUST 2019

Beginning at 8:00 - 10:00 AM for the purpose of considering matters included in this agenda.

Committee Members

Cr Michael Regan	Mayor – Chairperson
Cr Sue Heins	Deputy Mayor
Cr Candy Bingham	
Cr Kylie Ferguson	
Cr Stuart Sprott	
James Griffin MP	Member for Manly
Supt David Darcy	Northern Beaches Police Area Command
Karrah McCann	Catholic Care
John Kelly	Community Northern Beaches
Harry Coates	Community Representative
Michelle Povah	Community Representative
Ray Mathieson	Community Representative
Roberta Conroy	Community Representative
Ryan Turner	Community Representative
Michelle Erofejeff	Family & Community Services (FACS)
Christina Franze	Manly Chamber of Commerce
Drew Johnson	Manly Chamber of Commerce
Trish Bramble	Manly Warringah Women's Resource Centre
Paul Klarenaar	NASLHD Health Promotion
Doug Brooker	Northern Beaches Liquor Accord
Steve McInnes	Surf Lifesaving Sydney Northern Beaches
Belinda Volkov	Sydney Drug Education & Counselling Centre (SDECC)
Kara Hillier	State Transit Authority Brookvale bus depot
Wayne Potter	State Transit Authority Brookvale bus depot

Council Officer Contacts

Kylie Walshe	Executive Manager Community, Arts and Culture
Azmeena Kelly	Executive Manager Environmental Compliance
Will Wrathall	Team Leader, Community Development
Leanne Martin	Community Safety Coordinator
Helen Askew	Program Support Officer, Community Development

Visitors

Name	Attended as an observer
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Quorum

A majority of members plus the Mayor or another Councillor.

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to be held on Thursday 15 August 2019
in the Guringai Room, Civic Centre, Dee Why
Commencing at 8:00 - 10:00 AM**

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NEXT MEETING Thursday 17 October 2019

1.0 APOLOGIES

All members are expected to attend the Community Safety Committee meetings or tender their apologies to the Chair or Committee liaison person. If members are unable to attend they may delegate their position to another member of their organisation, with the approval of the Chair.

2.0 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Members are advised of the following definitions of a "pecuniary" or "conflict" of interest for their assistance:

Section 442 of the Local Government Act, 1993 states that a "pecuniary" interest is as follows:

"(1) [Pecuniary interest] A Pecuniary interest is an interest that a person has in a matter because of a reasonable likelihood or expectation of appreciable financial gain or loss to the person or another person with whom the person is associated.

(2) [Remoteness] A person does not have a pecuniary interest in a matter if the interest is so remote or insignificant that it could not reasonably be regarded as likely to influence any decision the person might make in relation to the matter."

Members should reference the Local Government Act, 1993 for detailed provisions relating to pecuniary interests.

Council's Code of Conduct states that a "conflict of interest" exists when you could be influenced, or a reasonable person would perceive that you could be influenced by a personal interest when carrying out your public duty.

3.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

3.1 MINUTES OF COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 13 JUNE 2019

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Community Safety Committee meeting held 13 June 2019, copies of which were previously circulated to all Members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

4.0 AGENDA ITEMS

ITEM 4.1

ACTIONS UPDATE

REPORTING OFFICER

COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY

TRIM FILE REF

2019/403423

ATTACHMENTS

- 1 OLGA response from Brad Hazzard MP
- 2 Nitrous Oxide bulbs response Rob Stokes MP

REPORT

PURPOSE

To update the Committee on actions arising from previous meetings.

REPORT

1. Online Liquor Gets Audited Report

Action Item 4.4 of the June meeting regarding Online Supply of Alcohol – Research and Report:

That the Committee Chair formally write to Liquor and Gaming NSW, Minister responsible for Liquor Licensing and local State MPs to request that the report recommendations be implemented.

Representations have been made to Local MPs and Minister for Communities supporting the recommendations of the OLGA report.

Response received from Brad Hazzard MP (See Attached)

2. Nitrous Oxide Bulbs correspondence

Response received from Rob Stokes MP. (See Attached)

3. More to Manly Safer Laneways

After submitting the final report to the Federal Government Safer Communities fund we were allocated an additional amount of funding. This has allowed council to complete two more actions; bud lighting in Market Lane, and a mural along the carpark tunnel access from Sydney Road to Pacific Waves carpark. Photos will be presented.

4. Night Time Economy

The following resolution was adopted at the 28 May Council meeting:

- A. Council prepare a policy on Night Time/Twilight & Culture Management Policy.
- B. The strategy underpinning the policy take into consideration two evening economies, twilight and night time and a range of possible activities and cultural activities used to activate an area.
- C. The policy identify areas in the local government area that are suitable for twilight/night time activities.

D. Council investigate amending planning laws to ensure that new developments are adequately soundproofed for future night time activities and report back to Councillors.

E. The strategy is done in consultation with residents, Chambers of Commerce, hospitality businesses, creatives, music industry, lighting technicians, security industry, environmental health professionals and any other related industries.

F. A report be brought back to Council identifying timeframes, costing, impacts, benefits etc. and include a Councillor briefing updating Councillors on where Council is up to with current night time economy strategies and committee input within 4 months.

Council staff have now formed an internal working group that includes Community Safety as a key consideration in the development of the night time strategy. It is being led by Council's Director Planning and Place and will also include Economic Development, Compliance, Events, Strategic Planning, Development Assessment and Arts and Culture.

5. Community Safety Plan

The Northern Beaches Community Safety Plan is being developed, with the research and stakeholder interview stages nearing completion. A community engagement survey is due to commence soon.

Consultant, Patrick Shepherdson will be making a full presentation at the October meeting on the findings of the survey and the draft plan, which will then go on public exhibition.

6. Grant funding from Crime Prevention Division

Council has recently been the recipient of \$49,800 of grant funding from the Crime Prevention Division of NSW Communities and Justice. The objective of the project is to help reduce youth related anti-social behaviour and malicious damage in the Mona Vale and Newport public space areas. It also seeks to clearly identify and address the factors that increase the risk-taking attitudes that are leading to destructive behaviours that have been evidenced over the last 12 months.

The project activities will include:

- CPTED safety audits at hotspots and install appropriate access control measures when identified
- Link young people with legitimate artistic opportunities by involvement in installation of street art murals in Mona Vale and Newport
- Appoint a youth outreach agency to engage young people in Mona Vale and Newport, to be trialled during school holiday periods
- Develop diversionary activities at key times and locations that appeal to the target group

The project will be managed by the Community Safety Coordinator in consultation with Council's Youth Team, and concludes in June 2020.

RECOMMENDATION OF COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY

That the information be received and noted.



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The Hon **Brad Hazzard** MP
MEMBER FOR WAKEHURST

MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND MINISTER FOR MEDICAL RESEARCH

25 June 2019

Clr Michael Regan
Mayor
Northern Beaches Council
PO Box 1336
DEE WHY NSW 2099



Dear Mayor

Thank you for writing to me with regard to the *Online Liquor Gets Audited (OLGA) Report*.

As you will be aware, the Hon Victor Dominello MP is the Minister responsible for liquor and gaming legislation and I note you have also contacted him on this matter.

I will convey Council's support of the recommendations outlined in the OLGA Report to the Minister.

Thank you for writing to me on this matter.

Yours sincerely


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Rob Stokes

Pittwater MP

4 July 2019

Mr Michael Regan
Mayor
Northern Beaches Council
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Dear Mayor, *Michael,*

Thank you for your letter regarding nitrous oxide bulbs.

Following my representations, I have received a response from the Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation, The Hon. Kevin Anderson MP.

Please find a copy of the Minister's letter enclosed, which I hope is of assistance with your enquiries.

I note the Minister has referred this matter to the Attorney General and the Minister for Health for further consideration.

I will provide you with any further advice I receive on this matter.

Thank you again for bringing this issue to my attention.

Yours sincerely,



ROB STOKES MP
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The Honourable Kevin Anderson MP
Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation

Our reference: 01772-2019

The Hon Rob Stokes MP
Member for Pittwater
Minister for Planning and Public Spaces
By email: pittwater@parliament.nsw.gov.au

Dear Minister

Thank you for your representations on behalf of Mr Michael Regan about the sale of nitrous oxide in NSW.

NSW Fair Trading regulates the sale of nitrous oxide in NSW under the Australian Consumer Law (ACL). Nitrous oxide has many legitimate uses, for example, as a propellant in whipped cream, high performance cars or short-term pain relief by dentists and other medical practitioners.

It is unfortunate to hear that there is an issue with the misuse of nitrous oxide within Mr Regan's council area and the serious health issues that arise as a result. The Department of Health has released educational material on the effects of nitrous oxide, and the substance is also regulated under the *Drug Misuse and Trafficking Act 1985*.

NSW Fair Trading cannot ban products that have a legitimate purpose but are deliberately misused by a purchaser under the ACL. Noting this, I have referred this matter to the Attorney General and the Minister for Health and Medical Research for their consideration and response.

Yours sincerely

Kevin Anderson MP
Minister for Better Regulation and Innovation

Date:

CC: The Hon Mark Speakman SC MP, Attorney General, and Minister for the Prevention of Domestic Violence
CC: The Hon Brad Hazzard MP, Minister for Health and Medical Research

1.7.2019

ITEM 4.2	POLICE REPORT
REPORTING OFFICER	COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY
TRIM FILE REF	2019/393900
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

REPORT

PURPOSE

This is a standing agenda item for the Northern Beaches Police Command to brief the Committee on relevant crime and safety issues.

REPORT

Police will report on relevant crime and safety issues, including an overview of northern beaches youth drug and alcohol issues.

Briefing will be on youth related alcohol/drug issues and malicious damage, particularly focusing on Newport.

RECOMMENDATION OF COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY

That the information be received and noted.

ITEM 4.3	ADF (AUSTRALIAN DRUG FOUNDATION) PRESENTATION ON PLANET YOUTH
REPORTING OFFICER	COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY
TRIM FILE REF	2019/397060
ATTACHMENTS	1 ADF Media Release

REPORT

PURPOSE

Presentation by Dr Lisa Simone, Australian Drug Foundation (ADF) Manager NSW/ACT, to brief the Committee on the ADF piloting of the internationally renowned Planet Youth model in Australia, and to consider its potential for the Northern Beaches.

REPORT

The ADF are the auspicing body for the Northern Beaches Community Drug Action Team (CDAT) and the Local Drug Action Team (LDAT). The Council Community Safety Co-ordinator and Manager of the Sydney Drug Education and Counselling Centre (SDECC) recently attended the annual ADF conference that featured presentations from the Planet Youth team from Iceland, regarding the success of their model of substance misuse prevention amongst young people.

Subsequently an invitation was extended to Dr Lisa Simone, to brief the Committee on the initiative. Dr Simone has provided the following context to the presentation:

As an evidence-based organisation that delivers community programs, the Alcohol and Drug Foundation (ADF) is constantly searching for proven methods of preventing and delaying use of alcohol and other drugs (AOD) among young people; evidence shows the longer the time to initiation, the better long-term health and socio-economic outcomes.

In March 2019, our CEO Erin Lalor attended workshops in Iceland concerning that country's Planet Youth model of substance misuse prevention amongst adolescents. They have demonstrated a profound decline in the level of AOD use, and delays in the age of initiation among Icelandic youth since Planet Youth was introduced in 1998.

Subsequently, the Alcohol and Drug Foundation is exploring opportunities to test the Planet Youth projects in Australia, tailored to local needs and drawing on the expertise and resources of existing ADF programs. Between 1998 and 2016 the percentage of 15-16 year old Icelandic youth who had been drunk in the past 30 days declined from 42% to 5%; daily cigarette smoking dropped from 23% to 3%; and use of cannabis one or more times fell from 17% to 5%. Iceland has demonstrated an ability to amplify community-led prevention efforts by appropriately targeting the strongest risk factors and weakest protective factors. The model has been adopted in 11 EU countries and is now extending into South America and Africa.

See attached media release for further background on the Planet Youth/ADF pilot program.

RECOMMENDATION OF COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY

That the Committee consider supporting future opportunities to implement the Planet Youth model into local initiatives.

MEDIA RELEASE

Immediate release

**ALCOHOL AND DRUG FOUNDATION PILOTING
WORLD RENOWNED ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG PREVENTION PROGRAM**

The [Alcohol and Drug Foundation](#) is excited to announce it will trial an internationally renowned alcohol and other drug prevention program in Australia.

[Planet Youth](#) is an evidence-based program from Iceland that has significantly reduced alcohol and other drug use rates in young people.

Since the introduction of Planet Youth in Iceland in the nineties, youth alcohol and other drug use rates have transformed from some of the highest in Europe, to amongst the lowest. The country has also seen increased time spent by adolescents with parents, and reductions in bullying, juvenile crime and youth entering drug treatment.

Between 1998 and 2018, the percentage of Iceland's year ten students who had been drunk in the past 30 days fell from 42% to 5%; daily cigarette smokers in the same age group dropped from 23% to 2%; and the number of year ten students who used cannabis once or more in their lifetime declined from 17% to 6%.

Planet Youth has now been adopted in 20 countries including Ireland, Chile, Spain, France, Italy, Russia, Sweden and Norway.

The Alcohol and Drug Foundation is working with the Planet Youth team to trial the approach through the existing [Local Drug Action Team Program](#), which is funded under the Australian Government's National Ice Action Strategy and managed by the Alcohol and Drug Foundation.

"The Planet Youth trial is a unique opportunity to apply international evidence to strengthen the work of Australia's Local Drug Action Teams," Alcohol and Drug Foundation Chief Executive Officer, Dr Erin Lalor said.

The pilot is set to take place over two-and-a-half-years in the locations listed below:

Limestone Coast (SA)
Murray Bridge (SA)
Glenorchy (TAS)
Huon Valley (TAS)
Hepburn (VIC)
Northern Mallee (VIC)
Wycheproof/Sea Lake (VIC)
Blue Mountains (NSW)
Lithgow (NSW)
Marrickville (NSW)

“The Local Drug Action Teams taking part in the trial have been selected for their strong local partnerships and commitment to preventing alcohol and drug-related harms,” Dr Lalor remarked.

“The Planet Youth trial in Australia will be tailored to the unique needs of the different communities in the pilot sites,” Dr Lalor added.

Local Drug Action Team representatives from the pilot sites will attend a training session with the Planet Youth team in Melbourne on Wednesday 26th June.

Planet Youth are currently in Melbourne for the Alcohol and Drug Foundation’s [Prevention in Practice Conference](#) (24/25 June).

“Preventative health works fiscally *and* socially. However, it can sometimes take years and even generations to precisely determine a program’s impact. Planet Youth shows that long term investment in community-led prevention leads to significant reductions in alcohol and other drug use,” Dr Erin Lalor said.

“All speakers at the Prevention in Practice Conference, including a number of Local Drug Action Team representatives, will be sharing expertise on strengthening capacity of community-led action on alcohol and other drugs,” Dr Lalor added.

ENDS

For media enquiries please call the Alcohol and Drug Foundation’s media team on 0430 948 380.

For drug information or support, people can visit the [Alcohol and Drug Foundation’s website](#) or call the [DrugInfo line](#) on 1300 85 85 84. The confidential service provides drug information and puts people in touch with relevant support and health services in their state and territory.

About the Alcohol and Drug Foundation: Celebrating 60 years of service to the community, the Alcohol and Drug Foundation is one of Australia’s leading bodies committed to preventing and minimising alcohol and other drug harms in communities around the nation. The Foundation reaches millions of Australians in local communities through sporting clubs, workplaces, healthcare settings and schools, offering educational information, drug and alcohol prevention programs and advocating for strong and healthy communities.

ITEM 4.4	COMPLIANCE REPORT
REPORTING OFFICER	COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY
TRIM FILE REF	2019/394759
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

REPORT

PURPOSE

A standing agenda item to brief the Committee on compliance related issues.

REPORT

The Committee will be introduced to Azmeena Kelly, the new Executive Manager Compliance.

RECOMMENDATION OF COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY

That the information be received and noted.

ITEM 4.5	SCHOOLS ROAD SAFETY AUDITS
REPORTING OFFICER	COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY
TRIM FILE REF	2019/394789
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

REPORT

PURPOSE

To brief the Committee on the status of Council's Road Safety Audits around schools.

REPORT

This issue was raised at the April meeting and concerns were expressed about safety around schools and how this is being managed.

Council has endorsed a program of auditing school road safety, which will be presented to the Committee by Council's Road Safety Officers, Karen Menzies and Robynanne Dixon.

RECOMMENDATION OF COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY

That the information be received and noted.

ITEM 4.6	HOUSING AND HOMELESSNESS FORUM
REPORTING OFFICER	COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY
TRIM FILE REF	2019/396165
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

REPORT

PURPOSE

To brief the Committee on the preliminary outcomes of the Housing and Homelessness Forum held on 6 August.

REPORT

Following a presentation on Rough Sleeping in Public Spaces at the June 2019 meeting the Committee made the following recommendations:

- A. *That staff continue to research best practice and develop collaborations and strategies that assist in ameliorating this issue.*
- B. *That the Committee acknowledge support for national action to address homelessness and Affordable Housing, to ensure that homelessness is contained and encourage appropriate initiatives.*
- C. *That Council work with local and State agencies to develop a Northern Beaches Housing and Homelessness Discussion Paper.*
- D. *Educate the community on the issue of homelessness and agreed Homelessness Protocol.*

James Griffin MP also advised that the Minister for Families, Communities and Disability Services, Gareth Ward MP will be visiting the area to attend an event in September (date TBC). He offered to negotiate a meeting with the Minister, Mayor and Committee representatives to talk through crisis accommodation and the long term housing options for those living with mental health issues and possible local solutions. The Committee will provide a discussion paper for the appropriate Ministers.

As a result, a local Housing and Homelessness Forum was held on 6 August with relevant local service providers and related agencies to identify gaps, discuss housing needs and envision future best practice for housing options. The outcomes are being used to prepare a discussion paper.

An overview of the forum will be presented to the Committee.

RECOMMENDATION OF COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY

That the discussion paper be completed and used as a basis for further discussions with the Minister.

ITEM 4.7	NORTHERN BEACHES LIQUOR ACCORD INITIATIVES
REPORTING OFFICER	COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY
TRIM FILE REF	2019/401577
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

REPORT

PURPOSE

To advise the Committee on the latest initiatives being undertaken by the Northern Beaches Liquor Accord to reduce underage drinking, fake IDs and alcohol related problems in and around licensed venues.

REPORT

Doug Brooker is an executive member of the Northern Beaches Liquor Accord and is their representative on the Committee. Membership of the Liquor Accord is open to all licensed venues on the Northern Beaches ranging from restaurants, bottle shops, bars and hotels. At the last meeting of the Liquor Accord held on 17 July 2019 a number of safety related initiatives were adopted.

DISCUSSION

Doug will advise the Committee on the following initiatives and projects that the Liquor Accord are supporting:

1. Dark Matters – is an educational project that aims to raise awareness amongst school leavers about the responsibilities and consequences of behaviour in the late night environment on the Northern Beaches and at licensed venues. It includes subsidising students to attend the accredited Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA) course at TAFE, where the participants will also be briefed on Dark Matters. This work is in collaboration with the local Community Drug Action Team (CDAT) and TAFE. A grant for \$12,950 has been received from Liquor and Gaming to fund the implementation of this project. The Liquor Accord will also contribute towards the project.
2. Banned From One, Banned From All – the Liquor Accord have agreed to proceed on the development of an initiative whereby minors can be barred for 12 months once they reach 18 years. This would occur if the minor is detected drinking on licensed premises, using false identification, refusing to supply name and age as well as some other related behaviours such as assault staff/police.
3. Representation to Local MPs regarding underage persons entering licensed premises.

RECOMMENDATION OF COORDINATOR, COMMUNITY SAFETY

That the information be received and noted.
