

AGENDA

COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Community Safety Committee will be held in the online via TEAMS on

THURSDAY 5 AUGUST 2021

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

Committee Members

Cr Michael Regan	Mayor – Chairperson
Cr Candy Bingham	Deputy Mayor
Cr Sue Heins	
Cr Kylie Ferguson	
Cr Stuart Sprott	
Jason Falinski MP	Federal Member for Mackellar
Zali Steggall OAM MP	Federal Member for Warringah
Brad Hazzard MP	State Member for Wakehurst
James Griffin MP	State Member for Manly
Jonathan O’Dea MP	State Member for Davidson
Rob Stokes MP	State Member for Pittwater
Supt Patrick Sharkey	Northern Beaches Police Area Command
Angela Whitby	Catholic Care
John Kelly	Community Northern Beaches
Luisa de Bont	Community Representative
Michelle Povah	Community Representative
Ray Mathieson	Community Representative
Roberta Conroy	Community Representative
Stephen Pirovic	Community Representative
Michelle Erofeyeff	Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ)
Christina Franze	Manly Chamber of Commerce
Drew Johnson	Manly Chamber of Commerce
Trish Bramble	Manly Warringah Women’s Resource Centre
Melissa Palermo	NSLHD Health Promotion
Doug Brooker	Northern Beaches Liquor Accord
Tony Hilliger	Surf Lifesaving Sydney Northern Beaches
Belinda Volkov	Sydney Drug Education & Counselling Centre (SDECC)
Kamal Krishan	State Transit Authority Northern Region

Council Officer Contacts

Kylie Walshe	Executive Manager Community, Arts and Culture
Azmeena Kelly	Executive Manager Environmental Compliance
Rob van den Blink	Manager, Youth and Community Development
Kath Young	Community Safety Coordinator
Helen Askew	Program Support Officer, Youth and Community Development

Visitors

Cr Vince De Luca OAM	
Lynelle Hales	Chief Executive Officer Sydney North Health Network

Quorum

A majority of members plus the Mayor or another Councillor.

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NEXT MEETING Thursday 7 October 2021

1.0 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

As a sign of respect, Northern Beaches Council acknowledges the traditional custodians of these lands on which we gather and pays respect to Elders past, present and emerging.

2.0 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.

3.0 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Members should disclose any "**pecuniary**" or "**non-pecuniary**" interests in matters included in the agenda. The [Northern Beaches Council Code of Conduct](#) (the Code) provides guidance on managing conflicts of interests.

A **pecuniary interest** is defined in Section 4 of the Code as:

A pecuniary interest is an interest that you have in a matter because of a reasonable likelihood or expectation of appreciable financial gain or loss to you or a person referred to in clause 4.3.

A **non-pecuniary conflict of interest** is defined in Section 5 of the Code as:

A non-pecuniary conflict of interest exists where a reasonable and informed person would perceive that you could be influenced by a private interest when carrying out your official functions in relation to a matter.

If you required further information or guidance about disclosing an interest please contact Governance at councilmeetings@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au.

4.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 MINUTES OF COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 17 JUNE 2021

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Community Safety Committee meeting held 17 June 2021, copies of which were previously circulated to all Members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

5.0 ACTIONS UPDATE

ITEM 5.1	ACTIONS UPDATE
REPORTING OFFICER	COMMUNITY SAFETY COORDINATOR
TRIM FILE REF	2021/495867
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

ISSUE

To update the Committee on actions arising from previous meetings.

1. MEETING OF 17 JUNE 2021

ITEM NO.	ACTION	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	ACTION UPDATE
6.1.1	Sydney North Health District data will be shared with the Committee at the next meeting.	Lynelle Hales	August Meeting
6.2.1	A program of safety audits to be scheduled for priority areas.	Kath Young	In progress
7.1	Traffic engineering and pedestrian safety at Dee Why and Manly be referred to Council's Transport & Civil Infrastructure Division.	Kath Young	Complete

2. NORTHERN BEACHES POLICE AND COUNCIL OPERATIONAL MEETING

A Police and Council Operational meeting was held on 29 July 2021.

Key topics of discussion were:

- Draft Community Safety Plan - update
- Proposals to re-establish Alcohol Free Zones – update
- Impact of COVID 19
- Public Space Lighting
- Environmental Health update
- Events – cancellation of upcoming Council events due to COVID 19
- Parks and Recreation update
- Cleansing update

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received and noted.

6.0 AGENDA ITEMS

ITEM 6.1	POLICE REPORT - SUPERINTENDENT PATRICK SHARKEY
REPORTING OFFICER	COMMUNITY SAFETY COORDINATOR
TRIM FILE REF	2021/495828
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

ISSUE

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

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received and noted.

ITEM 6.2	COMPLIANCE REPORT - EXECUTIVE MANAGER ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE
REPORTING OFFICER	COMMUNITY SAFETY COORDINATOR
TRIM FILE REF	2021/495842
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

ISSUE

This is a standing agenda item for Environmental Compliance to brief the Committee on relevant compliance and regulatory issues.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received and noted.

ITEM 6.3	DRAFT COMMUNITY SAFETY PLAN - UPDATE
REPORTING OFFICER	COMMUNITY SAFETY COORDINATOR
TRIM FILE REF	2021/418881
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

ISSUE

Draft Northern Beaches Community Safety Plan Update.

BACKGROUND

Northern Beaches Council's Community Safety Plan 2021-2026 (the draft Plan) is an important tool to help realise Council's vision of a safe, inclusive and connected community that lives in balance with our extraordinary coastal and bushland environment.

The draft Plan provides a five-year roadmap for Council and the community to sustain and increase safety for all residents of the Northern Beaches. It outlines the actions that Council, service partners and the community will take to achieve the 'safe' direction of Council's draft Better Together 2040 Social Sustainability Strategy and contribute toward Shape 2028's vision for a 'safe, inclusive and connected community'.

Consultation has been undertaken with the community and stakeholder groups on the issue of safety over the past 18 months, throughout the development of the draft Plan, and the development of the broader Better Together Sustainability Strategy. The feedback from both of these processes has been integrated and considered, alongside crime data and research. Extensive engagement with the Northern Beaches Local Area Command and key service agencies has been integral to the development of the draft Plan as through collaboration and partnership with these agencies the Northern Beaches can become an even safer and more resilient place to live, work and visit.

The draft Plan identifies 10 Priority Areas and a range of Actions to achieve the outcomes of Safe Places and Safe People. These will work towards the outcomes of:

- Safe Places - our community is safe in public, at home and online; and
- Safe People - our community has access to people, organisations and information that can help when they need assistance.

DISCUSSION

On 25 May 2021 Council determined that the draft Community Safety Plan 2021-2026 be placed on public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days.

The draft Community Safety Plan was placed on public exhibition between 2 June 2021 and 20 July 2021 to facilitate community engagement.

A small number of submissions have been received in relation to the draft Plan.

A formal report will be submitted to the October 2021 Council meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee note community feedback received regarding the Northern Beaches Community Safety Plan.

ITEM 6.4	ALCOHOL FREE ZONES - UPDATE
REPORTING OFFICER	COMMUNITY SAFETY COORDINATOR
TRIM FILE REF	2021/495866
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

ISSUE

To provide Committee Members with an update on the proposed re-establishment of Alcohol Free Zones across the Local Government Area.

BACKGROUND

In order to support the Police and Council Rangers in the management of alcohol related antisocial behaviour, Council has declared a number of public roads, footpaths and car parks throughout the Local Government Area as Alcohol Free Zones (AFZs). As detailed in the Ministerial Guidelines for AFZs, the principal objective of an AFZ is to prevent disorderly behaviour caused by the consumption of alcohol in public areas, in order to improve public safety. Once an AFZ is established, the drinking of alcohol is prohibited twenty-four hours a day in that zone. Under the Local Government Act AFZs must be reviewed every four years.

Through the engagement undertaken in the development of the draft Northern Beaches Community Safety Plan and draft Better Together Social Sustainability Strategy 2040 the community has identified a reduction in alcohol related behaviour in public spaces as a means of achieving increased safety. Broad community engagement suggests a high level of concern about alcohol related antisocial behaviour in public spaces and the impact of that behaviour on personal safety when walking and using public transport at night.

The establishment and re-establishment of AFZs requires community consultation as per Sections 644, 644A, 644B, 644C and 646 of the Local Government Act 1993, and the associated Ministerial Guidelines on Alcohol Free Zones 2009.

DISCUSSION

On 15 June 2021, Council endorsed the public exhibition of the proposal to re-establish the six AFZs due to expire on 2 September 2021, at Belrose, Brookvale, Collaroy, Cromer, Forestville and Narrabeen.

In line with Council Resolution 159/21, community consultation was undertaken between 18 June and 18 July 2021 in relation to this proposal. Consultation included the establishment of a Your Say page on Council's website and a program of local signage, social media, regular email newsletter channels, print advertisement and direct mailouts to key stakeholders to invite them to access information on the proposal and to make submission. A total of 193 submissions were received in relation to this proposal.

Following this consultation period, a report was submitted to the Council meeting on 27 July 2021 with recommendations informed by submissions from Police and the community. At that meeting it was resolved (Council Resolution 159/21) that each of the listed Alcohol Free Zones be re-established for the period 1 September 2021 to 31 August 2025.

The Alcohol Free Zones in Avalon, Church Point, Dee Why, Freshwater, Mona Vale, Newport and Palm Beach are due to expire in December 2021. A report seeking to re-establish these AFZs is being submitted to the August Council meeting, and proposes that these zones be placed on public exhibition from 27 August to 27 September 2021.

The AFZs in Manly are due to expire in July and September 2022. It is intended to consider re-establishment of these AFZs in early 2022.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee receive and note the information provided.

ITEM 6.5	SYDNEY NORTH HEALTH DATA - CEO, SYDNEY NORTH HEALTH NETWORK
REPORTING OFFICER	COMMUNITY SAFETY COORDINATOR
TRIM FILE REF	2021/496580
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

ISSUE

Lynelle Hales, CEO, Sydney North Health Network to brief the Committee on health data from the Sydney North Health District.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received and noted.

ITEM 6.6	COMMITTEE MEMBER INFORMATION SHARING
REPORTING OFFICER	COMMUNITY SAFETY COORDINATOR
TRIM FILE REF	2021/495852
ATTACHMENTS	NIL

ISSUE

To provide Committee members with an opportunity to share relevant information and advocacy from their service or area of interest.

BACKGROUND

Committee members are invited to provide information to the Committee on strategic level safety related issues impacting the Northern Beaches LGA, from the perspective of the sector or agency they represent.

Issues presented should be aimed at raising the Committee's awareness of the issue on order to inform consideration of issues arising in the Agenda over the long term.

Two presentations are scheduled for this meeting:

- Committee member Trish Bramble has been invited to address the August meeting on Domestic Violence.
- A representative from Relationships Australia has been invited to further this discussion with advice on a new program; Men's Choice and Change. This therapeutic casework program is specifically designed for men who are experiencing domestic and family violence.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee receive and note the information provided.