



# SAFER VINCENT ADVISORY GROUP (SVAG)

Wednesday, 20 February 2019 at 6.00pm

Venue: Function Room
City of Vincent Administration and Civic Centre
244 Vincent Street, Leederville

#### **UNCONFIRMED MINUTES**

#### Attendees:

City of Vincent Councillors

Cr Joanne Fotakis (Chairperson) (JF)

Cr Susan Gontaszewski (SG)

Community Representatives

Natashya Cox (NC) Irina Lobeto (IL) Sharan Kraemer (SK) (left at 6:30pm)

Chris Parry (CP)

Representatives

Snr Sgt Jamie Brennan (Perth) - WA Police

City of Vincent Officers

David MacLennan - CEO (DM)

Sandra Watson - Manager Community Partnerships (SW)

Karen Balm - Senior Community Partner (KB)

Kate Allen – Community Partner (KA)

Cara Finch – Community Partner (CF)

Gavin Carter – A/Coordinator Ranger Services (GC)

Peter Cicanese – Prosecutions and Strategy Officer (PC)

Chris Dixon – Projects and Strategy Officer (CD)

Community Member

Andre Winters (AW)

# 1. Welcome / Declaration of Opening

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 6:01pm and delivered an Acknowledgement of Country on behalf of the Group.

# 2. Apologies

Representatives

Lee Cowell (LC) – Wembley Police John Waghorn (JW) – Bayswater Police Maria McAtackney (MA) – Nyoongar Outreach Services City of Vincent

Michael Quirk (MQ) – Director Community Engagement Paul Morrice (PM) – A/Manager Community Safety

# 3. Confirmation of Previous Minutes – 21 November 2018

The Minutes from the previous meeting held on 21 November 2018 were confirmed as a true and correct record.

SK requested that her initials be corrected in the minutes, from SC to SK.

# 4. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

# Intramaps CCTV Layer

KA advised that this is being progressed by Community Safety and IT.

### City of Vincent Website Translation Services

KA advised there was no change from the last update. The Marketing team are looking into the translation of key pages on the website as part of overall website development plans.

JF thanked KA for her support to SVAG and welcomed CF as the new Community Partner (Community Safety). KA has moved across to the Youth and Children portfolio.

# 5. General Business

# 5.1 Weld Square and Beaufort Street Anti-Social Behavior

(this item was brought forward so guest Andre Winters (AW) could speak about this matter – 5.2 on the Agenda)

AW spoke about his concerns regarding issues in the Weld Square precinct. These included:

- Needles disposed of in the area
- Letterboxes broken into
- Anti-social behaviour around the 24/7 McDonalds store
- Waste, defecation and urination at the park and surrounding area
- Food waste left by patrons of the Manna Inc food service
- o Trolleys of property left in the area also possible fire hazards
- o Rough sleepers/homelessness and squatting in vacant properties
- Begging
- Verbal abuse
- Dirty/damaged exercise equipment and facilities in the park
- Lack of personal safety around the bus stop
- o Perception that police were not responding to concerns
- Dogs off-lead
- Damage of trees and property (including at 226 Stirling St)
- General concerns were raised about the suitability of Weld Square as a location for the Manna Inc food service.

[Sharan Kraemer (SK) (left at 6:30pm)]

In response to issues raised by AW:

- KA advised that Manna Inc volunteers were responsible for cleaning up after their food service
- GC confirmed that the Ranger and Community Safety Service patrolled Weld Square daily
- GC reiterated that AW and other residents should continue to report anti-social concerns as they occur to ensure WAPOL allocate resources accordingly.
- SG advised that previous consultation confirmed that an outdoor food service would be more appropriate and that would likely attract more people.
- CP advised that Department of Communities were researching the demographic of people sleeping rough at inner city locations such as Wellington Square and Weld Square.

### **ACTIONS:**

- 1) CF to clarify City's maintenance schedule at Weld Square.
- 2) CF to consider sharps disposal options.
- 3) CF to provide a breakdown of reporting contact information to AW
- 4) CF to provide City of Perth/Department of Communities 'Homelessness in the Inner City' brochure to SVAG members for information.

# 5.2 Draft Safer Vincent Plan 2019-2022

KA provided an update on the draft Safer Vincent Plan 2019-2022 and a copy of the Plan was provided to attendees at the meeting. The Advisory Group were asked to provide any feedback and comments on the draft.

### 5.3 Proposed Security Rebates

KA and CF provided a research summary table of example rebates offered by other LGAs since the State Government Seniors Security Rebate Scheme ended in 2014. CF will continue to investigate security rebate schemes.

#### 5.4 CCTV Network Update

PC and CD provided a table of the proposed CCTV network updates.

# 5.5 CCTV Strategy Review

SG suggested that the strategy should include the City's objectives and purpose, as well as measures of success, clarification of the use of CCTV (i.e. Not continuously monitored) and details of any MoU with WAPOL regarding access to CCTV.

#### **ACTIONS:**

- 1) PC/CD to progress inclusion of above suggestions in CCTV Strategy.
- 2) CF to send out copies of CCTV Policy to advisory group members for feedback for PC.

# 6. Stakeholder Updates

# 6.1 WA Police (WAPOL)

Senior Sergeant Jamie Brennan, Perth Police advised:

- Police regularly patrol local parks, including Weld Square, by bike, foot, horse and car and rely on members of the public to report any issues arising as they occur.
- JB advised that currently the City of Perth provide Perth Police with a list of vacant premises in the area to patrol and monitor any anti-social behavior in those areas. The advisory group was advised that the City currently has their own reporting mechanisms and procedures.

#### 6.2 Noongar Outreach Services (NOS)

Nil.

# 7. Close / Next Meeting

Date this

Chairpers 2019.	rson closed the meeting at 7.28pm.	. The next meeting is	s scheduled to be he	eld on 17 April
Signed _ (	Councillor Joanne Fotakis (Chairpe	erson)		

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