

# Greater Geraldton Crime Prevention Committee

## Meeting Minutes

<b>Meeting Name</b>	Greater Geraldton Crime Prevention Committee	<b>Meeting No.</b>	1 D-20-075105
<b>Meeting Date</b>	1 July 2020		
<b>Meeting Time</b>	10:00am - 11:30pm		
<b>Meeting Location</b>	Function Room City of Greater Geraldton		
<b>Attendees</b>	Cr Hall BH Jason Scragg JSc – WAPOL Talya Quinn TQ – PCYC Simon Phillips SP - MHCDS Andrew Greaves AG – MEEDAC Casey Wiffen CW - MEEDAC Joanne Fabling JF - MWCCI Daphne White DW - Desert Blue Connect Beth Martin BM – Desert Blue Connect Merle Meyer MM – Adult Community Corrections Shane Love SL – Member for Moore Erin Middleton EM – Proxy for the Member for Geraldton Sean Wagenaar SW – GSAC Renai Gildersleeve RG – CPDD WAPOL Colleen Ethell CE– Hope Community Services Jesse Steele JSt - CGG Simone Mahoney SM - CGG Michelle Plume MP - CGG Shauni Norman SN (Minutes)	<b>By Invitation</b>	
		<b>Apologies</b>	Fiona Norling FN - CGG Cr Keemink SK Cr Colliver NC Mark Adams MA - CGG Rangers Senior Sgt Johansen Sgt.J - WAPOL Cr Fiorenza PF Chris Martin CM – Mullewa POL Brendan Barwick BB – MWGDES Roger Beer RB - MWGDES Michelle Melville-Main MMM - YJS
		<b>Distribution</b>	As listed

### 1. Welcome and Introductions

Cr Bob Hall welcomed the members and apologies were noted from PM, FN & MA.

All members introduced themselves to the Committee.

### 2. Election of Chair

Call for nominations of Chair to Committee.

SM nominated Cr BH to be Chair.

**MOVED:** BM      **SECONDED:** JSc

**RECOMMEND:** That BH be elected Chair of the Greater Geraldton Crime Prevention Committee.

**CARRIED BY CONSENSUS**

### 3. Terms of Reference

SM noted the Crime Prevention Plan is due for renewal from 2020.

Suggestion - to lower the requirement on having all Organisations attend as a requirement to assist in achieving quorum.

Correction – to replace Department of Justice with Adult Community Corrections as a “nominee from”.

**RECOMMEND:** That the Greater Geraldton Crime Prevention Committee Terms of Reference with amendments made be formally endorsed and put to Council for adoption.

**MOVED DW      SECOND JSc**

**CARRIED BY CONSENSUS**

### 4. Youth Crime Prevention Officer Report – SM

*Main highlights from Reports*

The COVID19 restrictions had put a hold on a lot of programming but now that restrictions have been relaxed City facilities are opening up again.

Lotterywest has provided a grant for revitalization to GRAMS Park.

Railway Street “Safe Active Street” Program will begin in the coming weeks.

BikeLinc Initiative has had 10,000 people register online and has successfully been returning bikes to their owners.

July School Holiday program has been released.

### 5. Mullewa Crime

Item deferred as MP had technical difficulties with Skyping from Mullewa.

### 6. General Business

WA Police - JSc

Noted a reduction in crime which attributes to a combination of COVID19 and Police operation round away. COVID19 saw less break-ins and theft with having more people staying home and less businesses open.

JF thanked the Police for their efforts in such a challenging time.

RG Working on starting Neighbourhood Watch groups again in Suburbs. Shop Banning Notices for retailers have been standardised to meet the Court requirements. CCTV and a Police investigation will be a requirement as part of the banning notice conditions.

**ACTION:** RG and JF to discuss forms and requirements from Businesses.

Mullewa Youth Centre – JSt

The Youth Centre has had a slight reduction in services and opening hours, with minimal staff returning after the COVID19 shutdown and a recruitment freeze.

Desert Blue Connect – DW/BM

Family Violence did not have a rise during COVID19 but noted with intrastate borders being open again the drug usage via increased traffic is now on the rise. BM is working on a Women's Health and Sexual Violence Consultation and Communication Strategy.

MEEDAC – AG/CW

The buses continued to run the Connectors programs, during COVID19 their drop off and pick up numbers were still average. Assisted in the Driveway Dinners and started the program "Return To Country" to get people who were stuck in regional areas to get home.

PCYC – TQ

PCYC is in financial distress and have closed 4 centres within WA. Geraldton is one of the top four centres of focus and priority. Funding has been granted for another three years but does not start until August. Assisting where they can with mentors and providing assistance to other organisations and their planned programs.

STREETIES - SW

Noted: staffing levels and funding has created uncertainty during COVID19 for STREETIES but now things are getting back on track and they are starting to take referrals again.

**7. Dates of next meetings in 2020:**

*Wednesday 9 September 2020*

*Wednesday 9 December 2020*

*N.B. Meetings commence at 10:00am City of Greater Geraldton Offices as advised.*

**8. Close**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 11:12am.

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**Cr Bob Hall**

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**Dated**