

# Greater Geraldton Crime Prevention Committee

## Meeting Agenda

<b>Meeting Name</b>	Greater Geraldton Crime Prevention Committee	<b>Meeting No.</b>	5 D-23-073636
<b>Meeting Date</b>	29 June 2023		
<b>Meeting Time</b>	10:00am		
<b>Meeting Location</b>	Function Room – City of Greater Geraldton		
<b>Attendance by Electronic Means</b>	<i>In accordance with the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 regulation 14C (2) - Attendance has been authorised by the Mayor for Cr Michael Reymond to attend this meeting by electronic means.</i>		
<b>Attendees</b>	Cr Bob Hall Chair - BH Cr Natasha Colliver Deputy Chair - NC Cr Jennifer Critch - JC Cr Michael Reymond Proxy – MR Electronic Attendance	<b>By Invitation</b>	Samantha Harring Dept Justice Terry Brennan Geraldton Streetwork Andrew Greaves MEEDAC Simon Philips MHCDS Merle Meyer Dept Justice Kieran Rigter Dessert Blue Connect Colleen Ethell Hope Springs Joanne Fabling MWCCI Lara Dalton Local Member
	Jesse Steele CGG - JS Fiona Norling CGG - FN Peter Treharne CGG – PT	<b>Apologies</b>	
	Rob Grace WAPOL - RG Neil Vanderplank WAPOL - NV Rhys Marjoram WAPOL Proxy - RM Michael Hall WAPOL - MH Max Walker WAPOL – MW	<b>Leave of Absence</b>	
	Leonie Taylor Community Member - LT Tim Milnes Community Member – TM	<b>Distribution</b>	
	Shauni Norman CGG Minutes - SN		
<b>Purpose of Committee</b>	Refer to <a href="#">Committee Book</a>		

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[Meeting Procedures Local Law 2011](#)

[Council Policy 4.4. Operation of Advisory Committees](#)

[Council Policy 4.2 Code of Conduct for Council Members, Committee Members and Candidates](#)

### 1 Welcome & Apologies

### 2 Acknowledgement of Country

I would like to respectfully acknowledge the Yamatji people who are the Traditional Owners and First People of the land on which we meet/stand. I would like to pay my respects to the Elders past, present and future for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of Yamatji people.

- 3 Disclosure of Interests**
- 4 Applications for Leave of Absence**
- 5 Minutes of Previous Meeting**

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## Meeting Minutes

<b>Meeting Name</b>	Greater Geraldton Crime Prevention Committee	<b>Meeting No.</b>	4 – D-23-028101
<b>Meeting Date</b>	Friday, 14 April 2023		
<b>Meeting Time</b>	10:00am		
<b>Meeting Location</b>	The Greenough Room – Civic Centre - 63 Cathedral Avenue		
<b>Attendance by Electronic Means</b>	<i>In accordance with the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 regulation 14C (2) - Attendance has been authorised by the Mayor for Cr Name/Voting Member to attend this meeting by electronic means.</i>		
<b>Attendees</b>	Cr Bob Hall (Chair) Cr Jennifer Critch Cr Michael Reymond (Proxy)	<b>By Invitation</b>	
	Tim Milnes – Community Representative  Robert Grace – WAPOL Michael Mongoo WAPOL  Jamaica Byrnes - Youth Dept Justice Lara Dalton - Local Member  Jesse Steele – CGG Lydia Young – CGG Fiona Norling - CGG Shauni Norman SN (Minutes)	<b>Apologies</b>	Cr Natasha Colliver (Deputy Chair) Max Walker – Mullewa POL Merle Meyer – Dept. of Justice Peter Treharne - CGG Talya Quinn – PCYC Rhys Marjoram – WAPOL (Proxy for OIC Geraldton) Michael Hall – WAPOL Samantha Harring – Dept. Justice Terry Brennan – Geraldton Streetwork Andrew Greaves – MEEDAC Simon Phillips – MHCDS Kieran Rigter – Desert Blue Connect Colleen Ethell – Hope Joanne Fabling - MWCCI Leonie Taylor – Community Representative
		<b>Leave of Absence</b>	
		<b>Distribution</b>	As listed
<b>Purpose of Committee</b>	The Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan was Adopted by Council 24 July 2018 (DCS376). The City will host the Greater Geraldton Crime Prevention Committee, which is the overarching committee for Crime Prevention in the City. Refer to <a href="#">Committee Book</a>		

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## 1 Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed the members and apologies were noted from:

NC	TB
MW	AG
MM	SP
PT	KR
TQ	CE
MH	JF
SH	LT

## 2 Acknowledgement of Country

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## 3 Disclosure of Interests

No disclosures.

## 4 Minutes of Previous Meeting – 13 December 2022

Recommended that the minutes of the Greater Geraldton Crime Prevention Committee held on 13 December 2022 as previously circulated, be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

**COMMITTEE DECISION:**

**MOVED:JC SECONDED:BH**

**CARRIED**

## 5 Community Crime Prevention Report – Lydia Young

*Highlights from report:*

School holiday program will see the Mullewa Youth Centre have extended trading hours.

GSAC running Friday Night Basketball in Mullewa

Nan's High Tea – Building Connecting with the Community and those of which the children who attend the Centre.

Nanga Bush Camp – Tomorrow Starts Today on 01 – 05 May 2023

Sundays by the Sea, Sunset Yoga and Films on the Foreshore are working towards space activation during the Autumn School Holidays.

Keeping Kids in School initiative launch due in term two of School.

Centacare running Connect, Respect, Arise program with Joshua Joseph.

Community Safety Plan final draft is being reviewed by the City's EMT and will be circulated to the Committee once completed.

### **TM attended the meeting at 10:37am**

Noted official naming is the "Geraldton Youth Centre" removing the suburb naming and past building names.

## **6 Police Retail Reporting Package – (Robert Grace)**

Police will trial and distribute a 'Retail Reporting Package' to local businesses. The package will ensure that evidence gathering is commenced at the earliest opportunity and it will hopefully reduce the reporting / investigation time for both retailers and police.

Retailers can report online and supply CCTV footage, statements and how to issue banning notices with the role out of this package.

Noted rock throwing has seen a decrease and Officers are always taking the paraphernalia from youth if seen to be suspicious.

## **7 Organisation Updates**

Noted the City has not been successful in the latest round of funding from the Department of Justice and requested if LD can advocate for the City to get a review in the decision.

Noted the Target One Twenty group works with the Domestic Violence and the Mental Health of families not just engaging with the young people but the whole family to gain positive results and rehabilitation.

## **8 General Business**

FN requested WAPOL Youth Crime Prevention Officer to contact the City's team to discuss ideas for collaboration.

Noted the issues with an increase of anti-social behaviour, graffiti and safety within the City Centre.

## **9 Date of next meeting**

Thursday, 29 June 2023 at 10:00am.

## **10 Close**

There being no further business the Chair closed the meeting at 11:35am

## 6 Community Crime Prevention Report – JS

## Youth Development Officer Report June 2023

### Strategy One: Breaking cycles and building futures through social development.

- The City's Youth Development team has secured \$150,000 in funding from the Dept. LGSC to deliver after-school sports programming twice a week during school terms over a three-year period. The focus of the funding is low sports participation groups e.g. disengaged youth. This funding will be utilized to active and staff the Geraldton Youth Center and complement existing youth programs like Late-Night Basketball.
- Late Night Basketball- the City has secured the GABA for 8 weeks over terms 2 and (to be confirmed) term 3 2023. The popular program will continue to be run in partnership with youth organizations like PCYC, WA Police, MEEDAC, GSAC and the Batavia Buccaneer coaching staff and import players. The program has been running for many years and was in response to anti-social behavior by young people in and around the Wonthella sporting precinct. The program is well attended, and benefits from an adherence to a strict 12+ policy. From the perspective of building futures through social development, a former Midnight Basketball participant, who also attended the national tournament in Sydney in 2017, now works for the City and supports the deliver the current program.
- Tomorrow Starts Today – The City has partnered with MEEDAC, PCYC and WA Police to deliver camps for at-risk youth and future youth leaders during key school holiday periods. This is made possible by funding secured from Department of Justice Criminal Property Confiscation Grant. The September camp was run on Dirk Hartog Island with local indigenous organisation Wula Gura Nyinda Eco Cultural Adventures (Darren Capewell). The next instalment of the program saw five young people on the Leeuwin Ocean Adventure in December 2022. The latest two instalments ran from the 1-4 May at the Nanga Bush Camp, and the final Camp to be delivered as part of NAIDOC Week Celebrations with a Basketball Camp to Perth 2-5 July 2023.
- Back to Country Camps - The City has successfully applied for \$25,000 of WA Police Community grant funding to run two more Back to Country Camps in 23/24 FY. The city will look to continue the partnership model and learnings from previous camps.
- Skate Today – Running successfully from the Wonthella Skate Park on Wednesdays 5-7pm during school terms. With a view to curb anti-social behavior in the area by positive role modelling and a sense of ownership by young people of the facility. There has been great feedback from community members, with ownership and safety coming back to the skate park.
- Closing down of PCYC Safe Space Thursday Evening – the City has supported this program which was started as a response to young people congregating in the CBD on



a Thursday evening. The program targeted young people aged 10-18yrs who may have been street present on a Thursday evening. The closure of this program will have a significant impact in the long term on antisocial behavior. It is paramount that Geraldton has a well-funded and staffed PCYC for drop-in-youth services for at-risk youth.

- The Mullewa Youth Centre has continued to run, with Navajo Tane appointed as the Youth Development officer to coordinate the service. The service runs Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Funding is secured from Department of Communities until June 2024.
- Revolve Youth Event the second installment of the successful skate/music event is planned for August 12, 2023, at the Wonthella Skate Park. The event is a celebration of youth culture with live music and exhibition skaters. The City is looking at incorporating scooter riders at the event this year.

### **Strategy two: Designing out crime**

- 103 Pass Street has been purchased by the City with a view to develop the site into a multi-service youth hub. Building on the strategic advantages of Wonthella as a location for young people and the building upon of the work PCYC have already started. A conversation has been started with Lotterywest for funding to support short term and medium-term development of the site. TRCB Architects have developed stage one and two plans and conceptual plans for a stage three. The City is currently seeking an opinion of cost on the project. Plans will be tabled at the Council Concept Forum in August.

### **Strategy three: Reduce the fear of crime**

- A key area for further development. As part of the upcoming youth development strategy opportunities to reduce stigmatization and perception of youth will be looked at as part of a larger media strategy.
- Space activation along the Foreshore has been a focus with school holiday programs, Sundays by the Sea, Films on the Foreshore, Sunset Yoga, Rock's Lane Way activation, health and wellbeing programs and community events. This is viewed as a strategy to reclaim public space and reduce the fear of crime.

### **Strategy four: Reducing the harmful effects of alcohol and other drugs**

- Community Wellness Plan - the City has agreed to promote Alcohol and Drug Free events for youth and will continue to promote health messages online and on social media. A review of the plan is currently taking place with various organizations, including the City, being consulted.

### **Strategy five: Anti-Social Behaviour**

- The City is currently working with Bundiyarra and others around the long-standing issue of 'rock throwing'. Bundiyarra has completed community engagement and is moving toward a youth sector forum model, potentially hosted by Dept. Communities. The City



acknowledges the role Bundiyarra has to play in shaping community behavior and parental responsibility.

- Looking at solutions to anti-social behavior around Queens Park Theater Gardens and Civic Centre.

**7 Crime Prevention Plan Update – JS/PT**

**8 General Business**

**8.1 Organisational Updates**

**9 Date of next meeting**

The last meeting is scheduled for 23 September 2023 at 10:00am.

**10 Close**