



KEMPSEY
Shire Council

DIRECTOR CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

12th December 2006

DCCS8	2005 ~ 2008 COMMUNITY SAFETY AND CRIME PREVENTION PLAN REVIEW File: 761 MLB
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SUMMARY:

Reporting on a review of the 2005 ~ 2008 Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan.

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In December 2004, Council adopted the 2005 ~ 2008 Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan.

This Plan sets out strategies that Council, in partnership with other agencies, will undertake to address community safety and crime prevention issues identified.

One of the General Managers Outcomes for 2006/2007 is that the existing plan is reviewed by 31st March 2007.

A review has been undertaken in consultation with the NSW Attorney General's Department based on their eligibility criteria for funding under their Safer Community Compact Grants. It is a requirement that only endorsed plans are eligible for funding under the grants program. Councils current Plan has not been endorsed by the NSW Attorney General's Department. The next round of funding will be opening in February, and closing mid March 2007.

The review has resulted in changes being made to the Crime Profile of the Crime Prevention Plan. As a result of these changes the updated Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan is required to be advertised again for community feedback.

In accordance with Council's policy, consent is sought to advertise the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan for twenty eight (28) days. The Plan will then be resubmitted to Council at its 16th January 2007 meeting for consideration of any submissions and final adoption.

Once adopted the Plan will be forwarded to the Attorney General's Department for endorsement. The timeframe for the plan to be endorsed once received from Council is approximately 6 weeks.

A copy of the revised draft Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan has been provided to Councillors for information.

REPORT IMPLICATIONS:

- *Environmental*

There are no environmental implications arising from this report.

- *Social*

The Social implications of this report in particular is that the revised Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan will address a number of social issues of concern to the Kempsey Shire.

- *Economic (Financial)*

The financial implications arising from this report are that if this Plan is endorsed by the NSW Attorney Generals Department Council may be eligible for funding of \$50,000 over three (3) years.

- *Policy or Statutory*

There are no policy of statutory implications arising from this plan.

- *Director's Review*

The recommendations and action plan within the Plan have not been altered. The review updated supporting information in the crime profile.

The revised Plan has been submitted to Council's Strategic Planning Group for their comment.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the draft revised 2005-2008 Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan be placed on exhibition for a period of twenty-eight (28) days.

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