

INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: CHAIR AND MEMBERS
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

DATE: 2017 April 03

FROM: DIRECTOR PUBLIC SAFETY

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SUBJECT: PREPARATION FOR THE 2017-19 WORKPLAN

At its meeting on 2017 February 20, Council approved changes to its Committees, Boards and Commissions. Included in the changes was the directive to integrate the mandate of the Traffic Safety Committee into the Public Safety Committee's mandate and to amend the Public Safety Committee's Terms of Reference to reflect these changes.

As stated in the revised *draft* Terms of Reference for the Public Safety Committee (*provided under separate cover to Committee members*), the Public Safety Committee (PSC) collaborates with the Burnaby Detachment RCMP, Burnaby Fire Department and Engineering to implement and promote public safety programs and initiatives while providing an opportunity for the public to have input into community safety priorities.

The PSC has been traditionally guided by a workplan. At its 2015 May 14 meeting, the PSC approved a 2015 workplan. At the time, the Committee also approved the motion that the workplan be prepared for a two year timeframe with updates on actions provided to the Committee periodically.

It is now time to consider a new workplan (2017-19) for the Committee. To prepare for the next workplan, Committee members are asked to consider potential public safety programs and initiatives that could be addressed by the Committee. To assist Committee members, this memo provides a brief summary of current programs and initiatives that address actions contained in the 2015 workplan (see *Appendix I*). It should be noted that the 2015 workplan was developed when community policing was the primary focus of the PSC.

Time will be set aside at the 2017 May 2 Public Safety Committee meeting to discuss potential actions for inclusion in the 2017-19 workplan. Any potential actions should reflect the PSC's amended *draft* Terms of Reference. It should also be noted that new/revised priorities emerging from the RCMP's Annual Performance Planning session on 2017 April 20 will be available and could be used to inform the PSC workplan.

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Ideas generated at the 2017 May 2 meeting will be discussed and considered for inclusion in the 2017-19 workplan for the consideration of the Committee and Council.



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2015 Public Safety Committee Workplan Actions

2015 Actions	Current Programs or Initiatives That Address Identified Actions
<p>Action #1- <i>Work with the RCMP to revise the Business Watch program</i></p> <p>Possible Tasks:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Provide feedback to the RCMP on a revised Business Watch program as it transforms to an internet-based program similar to other crime prevention programs. Work with the Burnaby Board of Trade and Business Improvement Areas in the implementation of the revised program. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Burnaby RCMP Crime Prevention Unit launched the Burnaby Business Watch program in September 2015. The program provides monthly crime maps, business related security information and resources. The Crime Prevention Unit consulted and worked with Burnaby business improvement associations and the Burnaby Board of Trade during the development of this program.
<p>Action #2 - <i>Continue to extend the Committee's external communications/public education plan</i></p> <p>Possible Tasks:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to disseminate community safety and crime prevention information through <i>InfoBurnaby</i>, the City website and other publications. Create presentations on topics of interest for delivery to targeted audiences such as members of different cultural communities and youth. Consider using BCIT's journalism program and/or SFU's communication program to develop approaches for engaging with youth. Work with partners such as the Board of Trade and community newspapers to disseminate information on community policing and crime prevention. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Crime Prevention Unit actively distributes community safety and security information through a variety of mediums including but not limited to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tweets from @burnabyrcmp Regular seminars and workshops held under the successful Safe Community Series of presentations Digital Tips, an electronic newsletter Neighbourhood crime alerts in response to emerging crime issues Monthly Crime Reduction Bulletins A wide selection of communications collateral including pamphlets, brochures, wallet cards and other educational collateral which are distributed widely in the community. The PSC's communications subcommittee continued to meet quarterly to prepare community safety and crime prevention articles for the City's quarterly newsletter <i>InfoBurnaby</i>. The PSC's communications subcommittee also

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<p>d. Examine the use of social media to disseminate community safety and crime prevention information.</p> <p>e. Develop user-friendly, educational materials (e.g., pamphlets, handouts, electronic messages) and develop methods of disseminating these materials to the public (e.g., distribution at community events, schools, or to non-profit organizations).</p>	<p>worked with Burnaby South students on a pilot project to prepare videos with public safety messages geared to youth. Some of the students' videos have been posted on the City's social media.</p>
<p>Action #3- Monitor the implementation of the RCMP's Mental Health Intervention Program</p> <p>Possible Tasks:</p> <p>a. Request updates on the implementation of the RCMP's Mental Health Intervention Program and identify possible gaps in service for people experiencing mental illness and report them to Fraser Health for action.</p> <p>b. Work towards reducing policing costs related to mental health calls for service.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Burnaby RCMP Mental Health Coordinator provides a coordinated and effective response to police calls for mental health intervention. The Coordinator meets with partner agencies on a regular basis. Information is shared between these agencies providing a safer environment for all. A Burnaby Mental Health Nurse attends client residences at least one day per week with the Coordinator. Local partnerships have grown stronger each year since the inception of the program. • With support from the Burnaby Healthier Community Partnership (City, School District, Fraser Health and the Burnaby Division of Family Practice (doctors)), a Child and Youth Mental Health and Substance Use (CYMHSU) Collaborative has been launched in Burnaby. The Collaborative aims to increase the number of children, youth, and their families receiving timely access to integrated mental health and substance use services and supports. The CYMHSU has been meeting since 2015 November.

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<p>Action #4- <i>Work with the RCMP and Speed Watch program to promote increased traffic enforcement and pedestrian safety in school zones</i></p> <p>Possible Tasks:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Work with Speed Watch volunteers, the RCMP and City representatives to explore the possibility of increasing Speed Watch in school zones and explore the possibility of RCMP officers attending Speed Watch exercises, where possible. Work with the PSC Communications Subcommittee to develop age appropriate educational materials geared to students to promote pedestrian safety and explore methods of disseminating this information. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In 2016 alone, Burnaby RCMP Community Policing volunteers provided over 86,000 hours of service delivering high visibility Speed and Cell Watch deployments throughout Burnaby. In support of these operations, ICBC provided the Community Police Offices with an additional Speed Watch reader board. The Community Police Offices will also be assuming the use of an additional volunteer vehicle to increase volunteer capacity. Burnaby RCMP Community Programs and Traffic Enforcement sections have conducted several outreach and educational events at different locations throughout the community. As noted above, the PSC's communications subcommittee worked on a pilot project with Burnaby South Secondary students to prepare pedestrian safety videos geared to youth.
<p>Action #5- <i>Work with the RCMP, ICBC, City representatives and community policing volunteers to implement a Cell Watch program to promote awareness of the dangers of distracted driving</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Work with community policing volunteers, RCMP, ICBC and City representatives to explore the possibility of increasing education about and enforcement of distracted driving laws. Work with the PSC Communications Subcommittee to develop public education materials on the dangers of distracted driving and explore methods of disseminating this information via different media. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All four Community Police offices in Burnaby have robust Cell Watch programs involving specially trained Cell Watch Volunteers. The Burnaby RCMP communications team promotes safe driving practices through regular tweets. The detachment engages in community road safety events through ICBC designated distracted driving months. The PSC's communications subcommittee included information on the dangers of distracted driving in the safety articles published in InfoBurnaby.