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COMMUNITY SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

held on 18 March 2019 at 1.30pm in Civic Room 1, Melton Civic Centre

Present: Cr Bob Turner, Mayor, Melton City Council

Liz Smith, Coordinator Social Planning and Wellbeing, Melton City Council Dylan Weeks, Team Leader Litter Prevention, Melton City Council Jan Webb, Road and Community Safety Officer, Melton City Council

Jo Mutsaerts, Leading Senior Constable, Victoria Police

Glen Ludbrook, Lawyer, Brimbank Melton Community Legal Service

Shelley Tait, Acting Team Leader Health Promotion and Planning, Melton City

Council

Chairperson: Cr Bob Turner, Mayor, City of Melton

1. Welcome

Cr Turner welcomed all present.

2. Apologies

Cr Ken Hardy, Councillor, Melton City Council
Matthew Wilson, Manager Community Planning, Melton City Council
Jamaica Barrientos, Team Leader Youth Projects, Melton City Council
Elif Mahmut, Youth Outreach and Development Officer, Melton City Council
Adrian Cope, Open Space Planning Coordinator, Melton City Council
Peter Doyle, Emergency Management Coordinator, Melton City Council
Andrew Mason, Coordinator City Amenity and Compliance, Melton City Council
Benjamin Taylor, Coordinator Health Promotion, Djerriwarrh Health Services
Robert Blackley, Catholic Regional College
Zorka Dunstan, Inspector, Victoria Police

3. Declaration of interests and/or conflict of interests

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4. Confirmation of notes from previous meeting

The previous meeting minutes are yet to be endorsed by Council.

5. Business Arising

- 5.1 J Webb shared the Community Road Safety Flyer with the Committee.
- 5.2 B Taylor is yet to share the promotional material with the Committee for the Dream Big Festival.

6. General Business

6.1 Staffing update - Victoria Police

NOTES

Z Dunstan, who was an apology for the meeting, has requested that this agenda item be carried over until the next meeting.

6.2 Community Safety Network Project – Victoria Police

J Mutsaerts provided an update on the Community Safety Network project. In early March 2019 the next component of the three year project was delivered, which was a community gambling forum to raise awareness of the harms of problem gambling. Remaining parts of the project include a cyber-crime workshop which will target businesses; a date is yet to be confirmed. Victoria Police, along with other partners, will also participate in the youth careers expo. The last component of the project will be an alcohol and other drug workshop, which may include a first aid session, access to support services and more, to be delivered before 30 June 2019.

G Ludbrook raised the issue of gambling advertising at local sports clubs. Cr Turner commented on the risk of online gambling and the ease of access to online platforms.

6.3 Light Up Lake Caroline Project

S Tait provided an update on the Light Up Lake Caroline project that has been funded through the Department of Justice and Regulation's Public Safety Infrastructure Fund. Lights have been installed around the perimeter of Lake Caroline to increase usage and improve community perceptions of safety after dark.

A community launch is being held on Friday 29 March at Lake Caroline in Caroline Springs where Minister Kairouz will officially launch the project.

Action

S Tait to share promotional material for the Light Up Lake Caroline launch to the Committee.

6.4 Safer City Plan

L Smith provided an update on the development of Council's new Safer City Plan which will merge with the Road to Zero Strategy to cover the issues of community and road safety. Council has received a grant from the TAC to support the development of this Plan which is due to be completed in 2019-2020.

6.5 Community safety concerns

S Tait and J Mutsaerts discussed local community safety concerns that had been received by Council in the previous quarter.

6.6 Road to Zero

J Webb provided an update on recent road safety initiatives. Council is hosting its next Community Road Safety Forum on 21 March 2019 at the Lakeview Senior College in Caroline Springs. Promotional material will be shared with the Committee. Other upcoming initiatives include a free restraint fitting service at the Diggers Rest Multicultural Day on Sunday 31 March 2019 and a Senior Drivers Expo at the Melton Library and Learning Hub on Saturday 22 June 2019.

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Action

J Webb to share the Community Road Safety Forum flyer with the Committee.

6.7 Member Reports

Brimbank Melton Community Legal Service

G Ludbrook shared information about the community talks that the Brimbank Melton Community Legal Service deliver to support learner drivers from culturally and linguistically diverse communities. He also spoke about a number of legal cases that involve elderly community members losing their license and uninsured drivers causing property damage.

6 Next Meeting

Tuesday 14 May 1.30pm to 3.00pn Melton Civic Centre

7 Close of Business

The meeting closed at 2.10pm