



SAFER COMMUNITIES PARTNERSHIP QUARTERLY REPORT

JANUARY TO MARCH 2016



**St Paul's Primary School students proudly showing off their free bike locks.
Schools were offered quantities of locks to distribute to students to reduce bicycle theft.**

INTRODUCTION

The Safer Communities Partnership (formerly known as the Cleansweep Taskforce) is a joint initiative comprising representatives of Local Government, State Government and industry, which was initially formed in 2010 in response to a Community Survey conducted by the City of Karratha that showed crime and safety issues were a high priority for our community.

The Partnership delivers community safety initiatives focusing on the following five key areas:

- Crime/anti-social behaviour
- Graffiti management
- Litter management
- Drug and alcohol management
- Road and vehicle safety

The *Cleansweep Taskforce Strategic Plan 2012-2015* has successfully been implemented and the new *Safer Communities Partnership Strategic Plan 2015-2018* has been developed to build on the successes of the previous plan and further enhance our community as a safe and desirable place to live. The new Strategic Plan was endorsed by Council in December 2015.

The new Strategic Plan also addresses the balanced community goal identified in the *City of Karratha Strategic Community Plan 2012-2022*, which states:

“We will further develop and maintain the infrastructure, facilities, services and programs to create aesthetically attractive, safe and liveable towns which will develop into more diverse and balanced communities.”

The renaming of the Cleansweep Taskforce to the Safer Communities Partnership was considered a priority by the Partnership members and was implemented in December 2015 in conjunction with the development of the new Strategic Plan. The new name is a more relevant reflection of the goals of the Partnership and commitment of the membership who are working together to address community safety within the communities throughout the City of Karratha.

GOVERNANCE

The Safer Communities Partnership Terms of Reference outlines the scope and limitations for the Partnership, including functions, membership and management.

Representatives from WA Police, City of Karratha, Housing Authority and funding partners Rio Tinto and Woodside operated North West Shelf Project form the Steering Group, which meets on a regular basis. All meetings are chaired by the Mayor for the City of Karratha. The Community Safety Coordinator manages the Safer Communities Partnership and the City of Karratha community safety and crime prevention function.

FUNDING

Funding for the operation of the Safer Communities Partnership and the associated initiatives is sourced through sponsorship and funding provided by Rio Tinto, Woodside operated North West Shelf Project and budget allocations from the City of Karratha. When opportunities arise, grant applications are made to various organisations to provide additional funding support to projects.

PERFORMANCE NOTE

Implementation of the new Strategic Plan and associated rebranding of the Safer Communities Partnership has delayed commencement of some initiatives outlined in the 2015/2016 Operational Plan. This has been done to ensure financial responsibility.

Where possible, actions identified in the new Strategic Plan have been phased into the 2015/2016 Community Safety & Crime Prevention Operational Plan, with full implementation scheduled to coincide with the 2016/2017 financial year.

Following is an overview on the progress or outcomes on the various initiatives and projects that have been undertaken by the Safer Communities Partnership from January to March 2016.

GOVERNANCE PERFORMANCE NOTES

- Safer Community Partnership meetings were held in February and March. A meeting was not held in January due to numbers of steering group members taking leave and a quorum could not be achieved.
- The 2015/2016 Cleansweep Taskforce Operational Plan was reviewed in February in conjunction with the City budget review. Implementation of the new Strategic Plan and associated rebranding of the Safer Communities Partnership has delayed commencement of some initiatives outlined in the 2015/2016 Operational Plan. This has been done to ensure financial responsibility and maximise exposure within the community.
- Rebranding the Safer Communities Partnership has commenced, with Steering Group members agreeing on co-branding style (brand will be in City of Karratha colours) but will have its own identity. This will assist maximise recognition of the Partnership and its association with the City.

GOVERNANCE								
Related City Theme/Goals: Our Leadership – Responsive and Accountable: We will provide transparent and accountable local government service delivery that meets our communities' expectations The Community Safety Partnership will operate within the Terms of Reference and to City business standards.								
	Services	Actions required What services will Cleansweep offer to make this happen?	Timeframe		Budget		Performance Measures	Performance Progress
			Planned completion	Actual	Planned	Actual		
	Ensure the SCP operates within the Terms of Reference and to City business standards.	Hold regular SCP meetings	Ongoing - monthly		\$330 (316010.3101)	\$268	Meetings held on a monthly basis	On Target
		Develop and implement SCP Operational & Communications Plan	Ongoing		\$Nil	\$Nil	Quarterly reports submitted to Council and Taskforce Steering Group	On Target
		Regularly review and amend the communications & operational plan.	Oct 2015 Feb 2016	Oct 2015 Feb 2016	\$Nil	\$Nil	Plan goals reviewed and achievement measured.	Completed
		Implementation of SCP advertising campaign	Jun 2016		\$12,500 (560010.3107)	\$Nil	Monthly information article published in Pilbara News Radio advertising campaign completed Improved results in community survey	Not Started
		Development of new SCP Strategic Plan	Jun 2016		\$1,500 (316010.3101)	\$Nil	New plan completed and adopted by Council	On Target
		Conduct 'Community Safety Survey'	Dec 2015	Dec 2015	\$550 (631631.3101)	\$517		

		Develop 'Safer Communities Partnership' branding	Jun 2016		\$5,000 (631631. 3101)	\$Nil		
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CRIME PREVENTION/ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE NOTES

- A grant funding application was made to WA Police to assist with lighting installation at the Roebourne Rotunda in Crawford Way, Roebourne. Local Police have identified this location as a priority area, as community members regularly congregate in this area and consume alcohol, which often culminates in disorderly behaviour. Announcement for successful applicants is still pending.
- Footpath lighting upgrades have continued, with a tender process underway, for lighting to be installed along popular footpaths in Baynton and Millars Well
- Rangers attended the 'Love Where You Live' Expo in Karratha manning a combined Ranger information and Safer Communities Partnership stall. Promotional first aid kits were provided to community members. The Expo provided a good opportunity to promote the Safer Communities Partnership and its new direction. Approx. 500 people to visited the Expo.
- The Variable Message sign has not been used during the period due to maintenance and repairs. It is anticipated the VMS will be operational again in April 2016.
- Social media was utilised whenever possible to disseminate information regarding community safety and initiatives. The City of Karratha and Pilbara Police Facebook page and Roebourne Police and Karratha Police Twitter accounts have strong community followings which are steadily growing. This communication medium enables information to be distributed quickly within the community and opportunity for community to provide feedback.
- The revised draft lighting design and budgetary advice in relation to lighting upgrades around the Roebourne Recreation Precinct has been reviewed. Proposed costs are considerably higher than the proposed budget. Lighting upgrades will be completed in the Roebourne Community Hall (PCYC) carpark initially. This will now progress to a formal procurement process.
- Further discussion with Depot management regarding City depot personnel undertaking tasks to complete infill reflective kerb numbering has resulted in the decision to seek assistance from a Contractor to complete these works. This decision has been reached as it will be more cost effective.
- CCTV installation at the Pam Buchanan Family Centre was completed in January 2016. Sixteen cameras have been placed around the outside perimeter and in the courtyard area to provide coverage of the facility. Supporting signage has been installed to ensure users are aware CCTV has been installed at this location and to also deter possible offenders by highlighting that CCTV is in use.



**Roebourne rotunda is a popular congregation area.
Lighting will be installed to assist address community
safety issues in this area**

- A number of initiatives have been delayed, pending finalisation of design for new branding for the Safer Communities Partnership. It is anticipated that these programs will commence implementation from April/May onwards. In the interim, programs already underway have continued utilising stocks of Cleansweep Taskforce branded products.

CRIME PREVENTION/ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR MANAGEMENT

Manage Crime prevention/anti-social behaviour through providing support to initiatives that promote safe community behaviour

Related City Theme/Goals: Our Community – Diverse and Balanced – We will further develop and maintain the infrastructure and facilities to create aesthetically attractive and liveable towns which will develop into more diverse and balanced communities

Cleansweep Taskforce Strategic Goal: We will engage with stakeholders to build a community where crime and anti-social behaviour is not accepted.

Ref ID (Corporate Business Plan 2012-2016)	Services	Actions required What services will Cleansweep offer to make this happen?	Timeframe		Budget		Performance Measures	Performance Progress
			Planned completion	Actual	Planned	Actual		
1.f.5.1	Facilitate initiatives to promote community safety in relation to crime	Investigate locations & funding opportunities for lighting upgrades for footpaths in consultation with key stakeholders	Ongoing				Opportunities identified Funding sources secured Lighting upgrade completed	On Target
		Participate in community events to promote Cleansweep Taskforce initiatives	Ongoing		\$Nil	\$Nil	Participate in at least 2 community events	On Target
		Facilitate displays to disseminate crime prevention information (in libraries & shopping centres)	Jun 2016		\$3,500 (631631.3101)	\$Nil	Conduct at least 6 shopping centre displays Conduct at least 4 Library displays	Not Started
		Purchase variety of branded promotional items for distribution at community events	Jun 2016		\$10,000 (631631.3101)	\$Nil	Selection of promotional items purchased Scale of distribution	Not Started
		Continue implementation of motorcycle lock subsidy initiative	Jun 2016		\$10,000 (631631.3101)	\$Nil	Uptake from community members on initiative	Not Started
		Continue implementation of bicycle lock giveaway initiative	Ongoing		\$Nil	\$Nil	Uptake from community members on initiative	On Target
		Continue implementation of 'Lock it or Lose it' campaign	Jun 2016		\$2,000 (631631.3101)	\$900	Uptake from community members on initiative	On Target

		Promotion of crime prevention/community safety messages to community	Ongoing		\$4000 (631631.3101)	\$2,038	Monthly deployment of VMS within community	On Target
		Continue implementation of Meet the Neighbour' and develop 'Meet the Street' campaign	Jun 2016		\$6,000 (631631.3101)	\$Nil	Uptake from community members on initiative	Not Started
		Provide relevant information to Community Association meetings	Ongoing		\$Nil	\$Nil	Relevant information provided to community assoc.	On Target
		Provide information input in Local Police Facebook page /Twitter account	Ongoing		\$Nil	\$Nil	Trend/increase in social media 'likes/friends/followers' Inclusion of Safer communities Partnership information on social media pages	On Target
		Lighting upgrade in Roebourne Skate Park and surrounds	Jun 2016		\$75,000 (631636.)3100	\$6,553	Lighting installation completed Reduction in graffiti, vandalism offences in vicinity	Delayed / Delays anticipated
		Facilitate infill painting of property street numbers on kerb of residential properties	May 2016		\$1,000 (631631.3100)	\$Nil	Residential property street numbers painted on property kerbs	Delayed / Delays anticipated
		Facilitate CCTV installation at Pam Buchanan Family Centre Install CCTV signage	Feb 2016	Feb 2016	\$27,000 (931610.4100) WAPOL grant \$500 (631631.3100)	\$27,169 \$500	CCTV installation completed	Completed
		Lighting upgrade Roebourne Rotunda	Jun 2016		\$9,900 (631631.3101) WAPOL grant		Lighting installed at Rotunda Reduction in antisocial behaviour in vicinity	On Target

GRAFFITI MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE NOTES

- The graffiti removal contractor worked on a scheduled works programme, removing graffiti approximately 6 days per month, with works focussed on 'new or more recent' incidents of graffiti. All reports of racist or offensive graffiti were addressed immediately with graffiti removed within 48 hours of reporting.
- The Contractor attended 7 urgent graffiti removal callouts which took 43 hours to remove. This removal work was in addition to the normal scheduled graffiti removal program.
- The graffiti removal contractor continues to provide electronic graffiti reports which are uploaded to the WA Police 'Goodbye Graffiti' database on a regular basis.
- There are sufficient stocks of graffiti removal kits (wipes and bucket kits for painted or porous surfaces) on hand which can be provided free of charge to the community. Twelve community wipe kits were provided to Roebourne District High School. Kits can be collected from all City of Karratha Libraries and the Administration office. Request for quantities are not significant, but are well received by those that do utilise the kits.
- With the construction of the new Tambrey Pavilion, which will incorporate the existing Tambrey Public Toilets, the community art project at the public toilets is no longer a priority. This may be reviewed after construction has been completed.



Graffiti removal from roads and footpaths is completed using a high pressure cleaner and solvents

GRAFFITI MANAGEMENT

Manage graffiti prevention and removal

Related City Theme/Goals: Our Community – Diverse and Balanced – We will further develop and maintain the infrastructure and facilities to create aesthetically attractive and liveable towns which will develop into more diverse and balanced communities

Cleansweep Taskforce Strategic Goal: We will provide City services and develop community programs that result in a significant reduction in graffiti.

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			Planned completion	Actual	Planned	Actual		
1.f.5.2	Facilitate initiatives to promote community safety in relation to graffiti	Coordinate graffiti removal contractor and removal requirements	Ongoing		\$80,000 (631600.3100)	\$59,693	Remove all offensive graffiti within 48 hours of reporting	On Target
		Facilitate information displays to disseminate graffiti prevention information	Jun 2016		\$1,500 (631600.3101)	\$Nil	Conduct at least 4 Library displays	Not Started
		Upload graffiti reports to WAPOL	Monthly		\$Nil	\$Nil	Provide graffiti statistical reports to WAPOL on a monthly basis	On Target
		Investigate funding opportunities for Community Art Project – Tambrey Public Toilets	Ongoing		\$Nil	\$Nil	Grant applications submitted where opportunities arise Grant application/s are successful	Not Started
		Purchase & supply graffiti removal kits for community use	Ongoing		\$Nil (631601.3101)	\$Nil	Kits are provided within 48 hours of request Scale of distribution	On Target

LITTER MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE NOTES

- There were no ICARE (Industry Communities against Rubbishing our Environment) clean-ups organised by industry during the quarter. Pilbara Ports, who have ownership of the ICARE MOU between the industry partners have been liaising with the industry representatives to rejuvenate ICARE clean-up participation.
- No community clean-ups under the 'Bucks for Bags' banner were conducted during the quarter. This is not unexpected - due to the January holiday period and the climatic conditions during the quarter. To date, 23 community groups have completed 9 cleanup events. Approximately 375 volunteers participated, collecting 3,332 bags of rubbish. Community groups shared in \$19,788 as a result of their efforts. This equates to just over 14 tonne of rubbish collected.
- Rangers continue to work with the Housing Authority and their tenants to ensure properties are maintained to a satisfactory standard. Some resources (primarily litter bags) are provided to tenants, with Rangers arranging litter collection, through third parties. The Safer Communities Partnership is working towards implementation of a Memorandum of Understanding between Rangers and the Housing Authority to formalise and expand this working arrangement.
- To assist reduce the amount of litter being dumped around Roebourne, particularly at the back of Mount Welcome, skip bins have been located near the main access point to this area. The skip bins are well used and are emptied on a regular basis. It is difficult to determine if this is having an impact on the amount of dumped rubbish, as new dump locations are reported or found on a regular basis. The area in close proximity to the skips has seen a small improvement.
- There are sufficient stocks of resources used by volunteers completing Bucks for Bags community litter clean-ups including gloves, bags, litter pickers, hi-vis vests and hand sanitiser.
- Department of Corrective Services Work Teams conducted two cleanups, collecting a total of 0.36 tonne of rubbish. Crews have generally been very small with only 2 or 4 people participating in cleanups. Tip fees associated with the litter cleanups were also met by the Safer communities Partnership.
- The 'What's coming out your rear end? Secure your load' campaign has continued, with Waste Services providing information pamphlets to waste facility users as they enter the facilities. No additional signage is required. Inquiries were received from Shire of Derby West Kimberly and Shire of Ashburton on the signage design, with intentions of installing the same signage throughout their districts.

LITTER MANAGEMENT

Develop and support initiatives that help reduce litter

Related City Theme/Goals: Our Community – Diverse and Balanced – We will further develop and maintain the infrastructure and facilities to create aesthetically attractive and liveable towns which will develop into more diverse and balanced communities

Cleansweep Taskforce Strategic Goal: We will build a community where residents work together to reduce the amount of litter produced

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			Planned completion	Actual	Planned	Actual		
1.f.5.3	Facilitate initiatives to promote community safety in relation to litter	Support stakeholders participating in ICARE litter clean-ups	Ongoing		\$Nil		Number of clean-ups completed	Delayed / Delays anticipated
		Support community groups participating in 'Bucks for Bags' program by supplying required resources	Ongoing		\$3,000 (631620.3101)	\$674	Replacement PPE & consumables purchased to maintain suitable array of stock	On Target
		Facilitate community litter clean-ups utilising the 'Bucks for Bags' program	Ongoing		\$24,000 (631620.3101)	\$19,788	Facilitate 6 community litter clean-ups per year Community participation rates No. bags collected & tonnage	On Target
		Assist community litter clean-ups by meeting associated tips fees (includes Repay WA)	Ongoing		\$4,000 (631620.3101)	\$3099		
		Facilitate litter collections by Repay WA work crews	Ongoing		\$Nil	\$Nil	Tonnage of litter collected	On Target
		Compile and distribute traveller/car/camp litter kits through Visitor Centres and caravan parks	Jun 2016		\$4,000 (631620.3101)	\$Nil	Scale of distribution. Feedback from travellers	Not Started
		Continue implementation of 'What's Coming out your	Ongoing		\$Nil	\$Nil	Community feedback on program	On Target

		Rear End? Secure Your Load campaign							
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ALCOHOL MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE NOTES

- The West Pilbara Liquor Accord met in February. Members were provided with information and posters regarding a 'Cyclone Parties' campaign which had been developed by the WA Health Department in consultation with DFES. This campaign was primarily focussed on licensed premises selling packaged liquor.
- The West Pilbara Alcohol (& other drug) Management Group (WPAMG) comprises representatives from Local and State government, welfare services and meets on a quarterly basis to review strategies identified in the WPAMG Plan to address alcohol and drugs related issues. Strategies in the Plan are primarily focussed on each agencies core functions, and through the Plan, ensures that strategies are complementary and targeted. The Community Safety Coordinator was unable to attend the meeting scheduled for March due to professional development scheduled for the same day.
- As part of the WPAMG strategy, Pilbara Liquor Enforcement police officers contacted local high schools regarding secondary supply laws (which came into effect in November 2015) to inform parents on the repercussions of supplying alcohol to under 18's or permitting under 18's to consume on private premises without parental written consent. This was scheduled to coincide with school balls being held at the start of the year.



ALCOHOL MANAGEMENT

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			Planned completion	Actual	Planned	Actual		
1.f.5.4	Participate in initiatives to promote community safety in relation to alcohol	Attend Liquor Accord meetings	Ongoing		\$Nil	\$Nil	CSC representation at 75% of Liquor Accord meetings.	On Target
		Participate in West Pilbara Alcohol (& other drug) Management Group meetings	Ongoing		\$Nil	\$Nil	Ensure attendance at 75% of meetings Assist in implementation of identified strategies in WPAMG	On Target

ROAD/VEHICLE SAFETY PERFORMANCE NOTES

- The Variable Message sign has not been used during the period due to maintenance and repairs. It is anticipated the VMS will be operational again in April 2016.
- A Pilbara Industry Road Safety Alliance (PIRSA) was scheduled for February. A quorum could not be formed, resulting in cancellation of the meeting. The Road Safety Commission (who have a vested interest in the success of road safety alliances throughout the State) have been working with industry throughout the Pilbara to reinvigorate interest. PIRSA have developed a series of localised radio commercials, which will be incorporated into an 18 week radio advertising campaign. The first phase of the campaign commenced on 21 December ran for 6 weeks, concluding on 29 January 2016. The second phase of the campaign commenced on 21 March. The campaign focuses on drink/drug driving, driver distraction, safe driving with road trains and small choices and their impacts regarding road safety. In addition to the road safety advertising promotion, a small online survey is being conducted through the local radio stations to gather data on driver attitudes towards road safety. This information will be used in conjunction with data already held by the Road Safety Commission to develop further road safety strategies. In addition to contributing to the development and implementation of strategies, the City holds the Treasurer position for the Alliance.
- A separate advertising campaign was not started, due to duplication of messages already being promoted through the PIRSA radio advertising campaign.
- As a part of Bike Week, the Safer Communities Partnership and SDERA (School Drug Education and Road Aware) conducted a colouring competition promoting bicycle safety (and prevention of bicycle theft) in Primary Schools. Entries and road safety messages were displayed at the Karratha Shopping Centre. Major prizes were provided by Scott's Cycles. Quantities of bike locks were provided as commendation prizes for entrants.



Promotional image on radio station website for the PIRSA online survey

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			Planned completion	Actual	Planned	Actual		
1.f.5.5	Participate in initiatives to promote community safety in relation to road safety	Promotion of road safety messages to road users	Ongoing		\$500	\$Nil	VMS deployed to coincide with ORS/Roadwise /PIRSA road safety campaigns	On Target
		Attend PIRSA (Pilbara Industry Road Safety Alliance) meetings	Ongoing		\$Nil	\$Nil	Attendance at 75% of scheduled meetings	On Target
		Assist with implementation of road safety actions identified in PIRSA Strategic Plan	Jan 2016 Jun 2016	Jan 2016	\$72,000 (316216.3100)	\$27,124	Identified actions implemented Reduction in death and serious injuries from road crashes in Pilbara	On Target
		Develop & implement road safety advertising campaign			\$Nil	\$Nil	Implement promotional campaign	Not Started