

# **CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE (CPC)**

THURSDAY, JULY 25, 2024 AT 6:00 p.m.

CKF Boardroom (2<sup>nd</sup> floor) Langley City Hall, 20399 Douglas Crescent

# AGENDA

The land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Katzie, Kwantlen, Matsqui and Semiahmoo First Nations.

#### 1) AGENDA

Adoption of the July 25, 2024 agenda.

#### 2) MINUTES

a) Adoption of the minutes of the Crime Prevention Committee meeting held May 30, 2024.

# 3) PRESENTATION

a) 529 GarageRob Brunt, Chief Outreach Officer,Vancouver Police Department

#### 4) SUBCOMMITTEE BREAK OUT SESSION

a) Opportunity for subcommittees to have a 30-minute meeting.

# 5) STANDING ITEMS

- a) RCMP Crime Map Analysis May 2024
   Sgt. Ryan Wick
  - Property Crime Map
  - Persons Offenses Map
- b) Sub-Committee Updates as needed / appropriate:
  - Increase Social Media Presence
     Stefan Jones, Fraser Holland, Jayde Marno, Nathan Balasubramanian
  - ii. Business WatchTanya Gabara, Heather Giuriato, Ken Edwards, Suzan Gorgis



- iii. Know Your Neighbour Campaign Lew Murphy, Mary Kydd, Jeff Jacobs< don Osborne
- iv. Bike Security Don Osborne
- v. Block Watch currently inactive TBD
- vi. Cyber Awareness (education initiative) currently inactive *TBD*
- vii. Crime Prevention Mural currently inactive *TBD*

# 5) FOR INFORMATION

a) 2024 CPC Work Plan

# 6) ROUND TABLE

# 7) <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

#### **2024 MEETING DATES**

August – no meeting, September 26, \*October 24, November 28, December – no meeting.

\* indicates the meeting is rescheduled from its usual date

Please notify Paula Kusack at <a href="mailto:pkusack@langleycity.ca">pkusack@langleycity.ca</a> if you are unable to attend the meeting.





#### MINUTES OF THE CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE

# HELD IN THE CKF BOARDROOM LANGLEY CITY HALL 20399 Douglas Crescent

THURSDAY, MAY 30, 2024 AT 6:06 P.M.

Present: Councillor Paul Albrecht, Chair

Councillor Delaney Mack, Co-Chair

Suzan Gorgis, Social Services Representative

Lew Murphy, Member at Large

Heather Giuriato, Downtown Langley Business Association

Jeff Jacobs, Member at Large Don Osborne, Member at Large Ken Edwards, Member at Large Jayde Marno, Youth Representative Tanya Gabara, Chamber of Commerce

Stefan Jones, Indigenous Peoples Representative

Staff: Paula Kusack, Deputy Corporate Officer

Dave Selvage, Manager of Community Safety

Sat Sidhu, RCMP

Regrets: Mary Kydd, Member at Large

Nathan Balasubramanian, Member at Large Fraser Holland, Social Services Representative

The Chair began by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Katzie, Kwantlen, Matsqui and Semiahmoo First Nations.

# 1) AGENDA

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the May 30, 2024 agenda be adopted as circulated.

#### CARRIED

#### 2) MINUTES

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the April 25, 2024 minutes of the Crime Prevention Committee meeting be adopted as amended.

#### **CARRIED**

# 3) FOR DISCUSSION

a) Bike Valet Event Review – Community Day Event – Jun 8, 2024
 Paula Kusack, Deputy Corporate Officer

Confirm volunteer schedule:

9:30am - 1:30pm: Don, Jayde, Mary, 2 city staff

**11am - 3pm** Lew

1pm - 5pm: Jeff, 2 city staff

4:30pm - 8:30pm: Paul Albrecht, 2 city staff

The Chair reviewed the event details.

The specific handout material was confirmed and staff will provide it on site the day of the event.

The RCMP committed to providing the event staff with ICBC "Etch It' brochures and will deliver them to the city in advance of the event.

It was noted that HUB Cycling will have a table staffed between 9am-5pm and they are providing their own handouts.

# 4) **STANDING ITEMS**

- a) RCMP Crime Map Analysis March 2024
  - Property Crime Map

Sgt. Sidhu reviewed the March property crime map noting that Theft from Auto has remained consistent from month to month until March, however three people were arrested which explains the recent decline. He noted they have now been released so it may increase again.

He noted the following:

- There were no spikes in alarming incidents
- RCMP have been working with the local ACT team and other community partners to assist in housing some of the vulnerable population. A collaborative approach is welcomed and successful.
- The seasonal bike patrols have started and patrols in parks and downtown have increased. Additional patrols have been funded by the provincial government at no cost to the city.

It was noted that additional RCMP patrols would be helpful during the Fraser Highway one-way construction period staring in August as there will be less 'eyes on the street' during that period making businesses more vulnerable to property crime.

There was consensus to move the subcommittee breakout session ahead of the subcommittee report section.

# 5. SUBCOMMITTEE BREAK OUT SESSION

- a) The following subcommittees had a 30-minute breakout meeting.
  - i. Increase Social Media Presence Stefan Jones, Jayde Marno
  - iii. Business Watch Tanya Gabara, Heather Giuriato, Ken Edwards, Suzan Gorgis
  - iii. Know Your Neighbour Campaign Lew Murphy, Jeff Jacobs, Don Osborne
- b) Sub-Committee Updates when needed / appropriate:
  - i. Business Watch
     Tanya Gabara, Heather Giuriato, Ken Edwards, Suzan Gorgis

Ms. Gabara reported the following:

- The subcommittee met with RCMP, Block Watch and city bylaw representatives to review the proposed Business Watch pilot program and divide the tasks and determine an action plan.
- Ms. Gabara and Ms. Giuriato met with the CEO of the Chamber of Commerce and the Executive Director of the Downtown Langley Business Association (DLBA), and they are fully supportive of a pilot program in downtown Langley to engage and connect business owners and promote crime prevention.
- The DLBA will store the data as they already have connections with all the business owners on the one-way.
- Next steps include:
  - create a short survey to initially engage the target businesses and determine what they would want/need from a program such as this.
  - Once that is complete a suite of presentation materials will be created, and meetings scheduled to introduce the businesses and gain their involvement in the pilot.
  - Work with Block Watch staff to convert residential Block Watch materials into commercially oriented information.
  - Conduct Business Walk and determine pinch points and communicate to business owners who they call to report issues
  - Promote reporting issues to the RCMP and advise what resources are available to them.
  - Help connect the business community to the City and to each other.

ii. Know Your Neighbour CampaignLew Murphy, Mary Kydd, Jeff Jacobs, Don Osborne

Mr. Jacobs & Mr. Murphy provided the following update:

- Considering a pilot project "Avenue" block party.
- Connecting with neighbouring strata buildings to include 3 or 4 complexes involved and get neighbours out to connect with each other.
- Flea market, BBQ etc
- Encourage other complexes/streets to do the same
- Let the Langley Advance Times know about it, perhaps they will pick up the story, print photos, spread the word.
- Depending on interest and success they will help nearby streets/neighbourhoods plan an event to get the idea to catch on.
- iii. Increase Social Media Presence Stefan Jones, Jayde Marno

Mr. Jones shared the following:

- The intention is to create a resource to supplement the other projects and events.
- Plan to use the City's pre-established social media channels as they have a lot of local following already.
- Preparing 10 questions for consideration by the City's communication department and will send to staff to forward.
- Based on communications staff response, create content and decide what to promote
- iv. Bike Security
  Don Osborne

Mr. Osborne advised that a member of the Vancouver Police department, 529 program (bike security), will make a presentation to the CPC at the next meeting.

- v. Block Watch currently inactive TBD
- vi. Cyber Awareness (education initiative) currently inactive *TBD*
- vii. Crime Prevention Mural

#### **ACTION:**

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The Chair advised that Council referred the mural project to the Arts, Recreation, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee for input. He requested an update as to the status of the project at the next meeting.

ACTION:

The group discussed the addition of 30 minutes per meeting to allow time for subcommittee meetings at the regular monthly committee

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meetings. All agreed and the Chair requested staff add it as a standing item.

6)	<u>FOR</u>	<u>INFO</u>	<b>RMA</b>	TION

a) 2024 CPC Work Plan

# 7) ROUND TABLE

- a) Confirm attendance at the June 27 CPC meeting to ensure quorum is met for 529 Garage presentation from VPD. If not, reschedule.
- b) Economic Development Strategy Community Survey

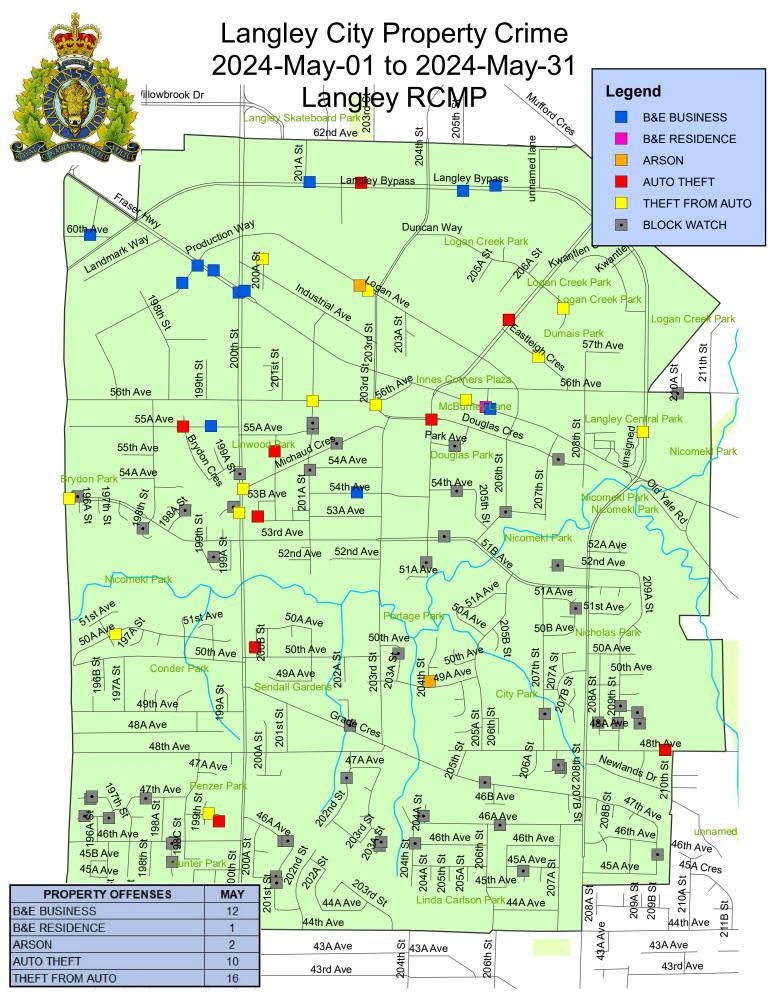
The Chair encouraged members to fill out the community survey and to share it among their networks. Staff will send a reminder email with a link in mid-June.

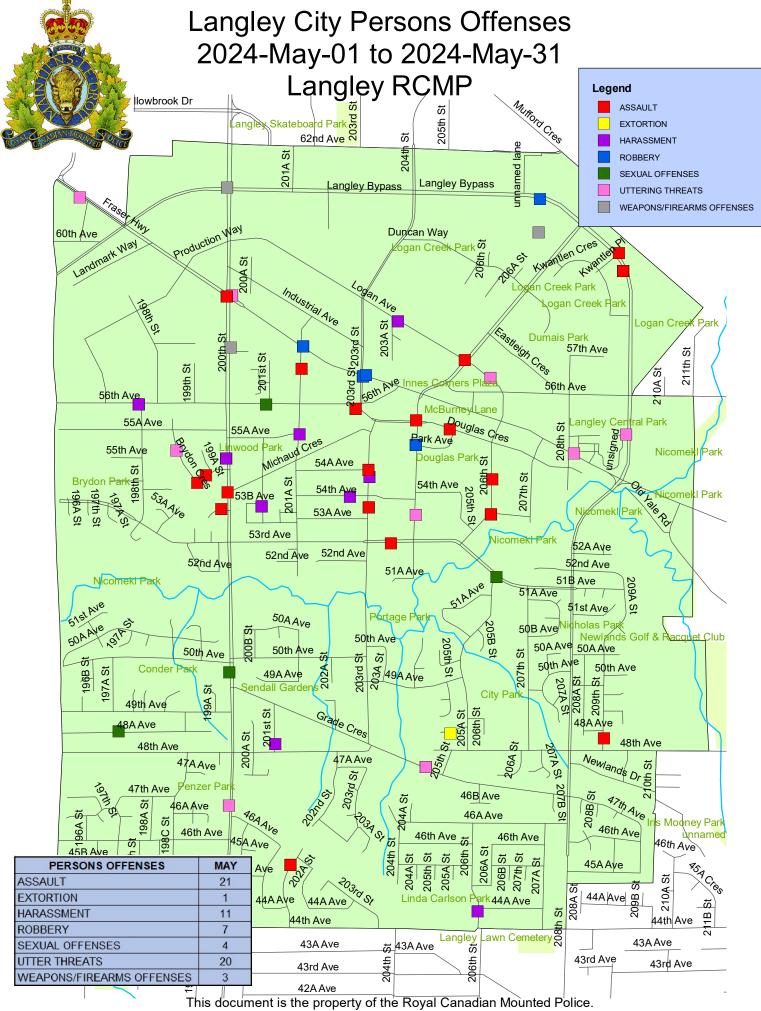
It was MOVED AND SECONDED

THAT the meeting adjourn at 7:35pm.

**CARRIED** 

	CHAIR
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# 2024 Work Plan Crime Prevention Committee

# Mandate

The mandate of the Committee includes:

- Continuing to advance media messaging around crime prevention and community defense model programs in collaboration with the City's Communication Officer
- Continuing with the "Know Your Neighbour" campaign concept
- Recommend crime prevention programs that facilitate crime reduction
- In partnership with the Community Police Office, promoting and educating residents about existing RCMP programs such as Block Watch, crime prevention such as CPTED, and community defense model programs such as neighbourhood gatherings.
- In partnership with the Community Police Office, Downtown Langley Business Association and Chamber of Commerce, promoting and educating business owners about existing RCMP programs, crime prevention, and community defense model programs.

Requesting presentations from the RCMP and local non-government agencies to educate members about on Crime Prevention and Community Defense Model programs, strategies, and issues.

• Aligning with the strategic plan in creating new protective and supportive services through exploring opportunities for the Community Liaison Officer, Block Watch and other activities that help everyone feel safe and supported.

# **Objectives**

Identifies objectives that align with the Crime Prevention mandate and terms of reference. Please note, after Council approves this work plan, any updates/adjustments to the work plan are to be submitted to Council for approval.

#### **Objective 1: Increase Social Media Presence**

This objective aims to target promotion of crime prevention programs / initiatives, specifically reaching youth and at-risk residents. It aligns with the mandate related to continuing to advance media messaging around crime prevention and community defense model programs.

#### **Objective 2: Business Watch**

This objective aims to raise crime prevention awareness and action in the business community. It aligns with the mandate to utilize partnerships with the Community Police Office, Downtown Langley Business Association and Chamber of Commerce to promote and educate business owners about existing RCMP programs, crime prevention, and community defense model programs.

# **Objective 3: Crime Prevention Mural**

This objective aims to promote / educate the public about crime prevention visually using an artistic medium. This initiative was approved by Council in 2023 and is underway and ongoing. It aligns with the mandate relating to advancing media messaging around crime prevention.

# **Objective 4: Block Watch**

This objective aims to promote and expand participation in the established RCMP program. The program lost participation when it was shut down due to covid. It has since been reestablished and is gaining momentum. It aligns with the mandate related to partnerships with the Community Police Office to promote and educate residents about existing RCMP programs and crime prevention.

#### **Objective 5: Cyber Awareness**

This objective aims to continue to educate residents on the ever-changing threats of cybercrime. It aligns with the mandate related to exploring opportunities and activities that help everyone feel safe and supported. This initiative was approved by Council in 2023 and is underway and ongoing.

#### Objective 6: Know Your Neighbour Campaign and related activities

This objective aims to continue to educate residents on the importance of community connectedness and the benefits of a collaborative 'neighbourly' approach to maintaining safe neighbourhoods. The mandate speaks directly to continuing the "Know Your Neighbour" campaign concept. This initiative was approved by Council in 2023 and is underway and ongoing.

#### **Objective 7: Bike Security**

This objective aims to continue to educate, promote and advocate for effective public bike racks and safe parking/storage places for bicycles around town. With an increased sense of safe and reliable bicycle parking, residents are more likely to increase their usage of this alternate mode of transportation. This objective relates to the recommendations of crime prevention programs that facilitate crime reduction.

# **Action Plan**

Action Items	Timeline	Responsibility	Expected Outcomes	Resources
Identify specific action items integral to the stated objective	Identify estimated timeline and/or end date for action items.	Identify working groups, subcommittees, and/or committee member(s) responsible for completing each action item, as appropriate.	Outline expected achievements and deliverables from each action item. Ideally, these are measurable indicators of success.	Identify any resources (e.g. staff liaison, other City staff, City funds) that will be needed in order to complete the action items.
Increase Social Media Presence				
Formation of social media presence (branding)	ongoing	Subcommittees TBD	Connect with youth, at-risk residents, and others of varied backgrounds / demographics	Communication staff to format on existing City templates and schedule posts on social media channels
B. Consider how to layer social media into every crime prevention action/objective	Q2		Include social media posts promoting all the crime prevention work	Communication staff – schedule posts on social media
<ul><li>C. Reach people / communicate / educate – utilize survey software, polls</li></ul>	Q2		To get better data and feedback to drive initiatives and activities more effectively	
2. Business Watch				
Create information piece to advise DLBA / Chamber about initiative	Q2	Subcommittee	More engagement and participation of the business community in crime prevention	DLBA / Chamber participation
<ul> <li>B. Collaborate with DLBA /         Chamber to inform business         community of new initiative</li> </ul>	Q2	Subcommittees TBD	More engagement and participation of the business community in crime prevention	
C. Block Walk Event – in person visits from business to business sharing information	Q3	DLBA / Chamber	More engagement and participation of the business community in crime prevention	
3. Crime Prevention Mural				
A. If approved by council – proceed to art design (messaging)	Ongoing - TBD	Subcommittees TBD	Share crime prevention awareness visually	Staff resources as directed by council
<ul><li>B. If approved by council – refer to ARCH committee</li></ul>				ARCH Committee consideration and input
<ul> <li>C. Integrate into the DLBA mural program</li> </ul>			Inclusion in Mural Walk	DLBA resources to include new mural

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4. Block Watch				
Support and promote program a community events & through social media	t Q2	Subcommittees TBD	Grow the Block Watch program participation.	RCMP – resource material / attendance at events
5. Cyber Awareness				
A. Educate the public and raise awareness of cyber crime	Q2	Subcommittees TBD	More resident / community awareness. Prevention of online victimization	
6. Know Your Neighbour Campa	ign (KYN)			
A. Gather and create materials / information and continue to support KYN concept – share with public at events	Q2	Subcommittees TBD	Continue to grow awareness of the benefits of community connectedness into all initiatives and thereby reduce crime	
7. Bike Security				
A. Bike Valet Project at Earth Day and/or Community Day Event(s)	Q2	Subcommittees TBD	Education / Awareness of bike security	City event / engineering staff for fencing at valet event; Budget for promotion

#### Notes:

The advisory body may undertake multiple initiatives; however, if staff resources are required, the advisory body shall undertake only one initiative at a time. The advisory body does not have the authority to give direction to staff or to commit to expenditure of funds.

Action recommended by the advisory body must be done by resolution to City Council and with their approval prior to implementation.