

## Smart Update (Consent Agenda) For the Meeting of WRPCPC on June 17, 2016

Please note that any member has the right to “pull” an item from the Consent Agenda and add it to the regular agenda for discussion, comment or clarification. Consent agendas are published on the Council’s website [www.preventingcrime.ca](http://www.preventingcrime.ca) along with approved minutes. Consent Agendas are selective, not comprehensive. Whenever possible, Consent Agenda items will fall under the directions of the current strategic plan. The template has been updated to reflect the new Smart on Crime 2015-2018 plan’s key approaches to accomplish three overarching Council directions:

- Youth: Unleashing the Potential of ALL Youth
- Neighbourhoods: Building Local Capacity for Change
- Smart on Crime: Advancing the Momentum

### 1. Expand Reach through Understanding and Engagement

- **Jane’s Walk Waterloo Region** hosted 30 walks, with walks in Kitchener, Cambridge, and a record-breaking number of walks for Waterloo. This year the role of community-based Jane’s Walk organizers was expanded, and the role of WRPCPC staff in organizing the walks was intentionally reduced. Look for a more detailed Jane’s Walk update and proposal soon.
- The 38 Annual Justice Dinner 2016 “**Reflections on Mental Health and Justice**” held on May 26, 2016 at Bingemans was a very successful event. Approximately 280 people attended and the overall feedback from the guests is very good. Congratulations WRPCPC!!
- 20 people joined us for the first **Porch Chat** on June 09 as Gerard Sagassige and Tammy Webster of the TRC Learning Circle guided us through a circle discussion that many participants described as powerful. Concrete connections that emerged included: the [TRC Reading Challenge](#) & an invitation to join an ongoing reconciliation circle and potluck. [Porch Chat #2](#) on June 16 looks at hate crimes, racism, and Islamophobia. [Porch Chat # 3](#) on June 23 looks at sexual violence and consent.



## 2. Base Change in Good Evidence and Innovation

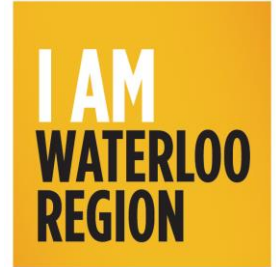
- The **Good Samaritan Drug Overdose Act** (Bill C-224) moves to the Health Committee on June 15 and WRPCPC has been asked to appear as a delegation. Michael Parkinson will attend on our behalf, presenting on our original [research](#) from 2012.
- WRPCPC is taking part on the expert panel for the **K-W Community Foundation 2016 Vital Signs Report**, which is focused on the areas of belonging and leadership, arts and culture, getting started, as well as health and wellness. The panel serves to provide input on data sources and indicators as well as information regarding the broader context in the community. The panel will also assist with reviewing the report. The report is scheduled to be released in mid October 2016.
- WRPCPC was providing recommendations for broad indicators of community safety for the **Region of Waterloo Strategic Plan**. Thanks to our police partners and Barry McClinchey (Violence Prevention Committee) for their collaboration. For now the Region has deferred decisions on measurements pending the Community Wellness plan work.
- WRPCPC participated in a comprehensive survey of crime prevention councils throughout Canada. The survey was conducted by the **Canadian Municipal Network on Crime Prevention**. The survey provides a summary of activities in the 15 municipalities that are members of the network and also includes demographic data that will form part of the evaluation. This forms an important baseline for the CMNCP evaluation.
- **Statistics Canada** has released a number of reports relevant to community safety in the past few months. Topics include young adult offenders, youth crime and police resources. A list of 2016 reports can be found at: <http://www.statcan.gc.ca/pub/85-002-x/85-002-x2016001-eng.htm> On June 28, the report, Victimization of Aboriginal People in Canada will be released.

## Lead Side by Side: Leverage Dynamic Partnerships



- Thanks to Friends of Crime Prevention – Keith, Alim and Arlene – for volunteering to help out and “Say HI” at the **WRPS Open House** on May 14 as part of Police Week. The event was well attended.
- We participated in the **City of Kitchener’s Bike Safety Day** on Saturday, May 28 - sharing our Say Hi campaign at the Stanley Park Community Centre. Thanks to our Friend of Crime Prevention Maha for representing us.

- After some thoughtful discussion the **Social Media Committee** has achieved what it set out to do four years ago and will conclude its work as a committee. A thank you lunch is planned for later in June. This decision allows for the Community Relations Committee to start up again, as it was on hiatus, to support the immediate needs of council.
- WRCPC staff contributed to the development of the Immigration Partnership's new **I AM Waterloo Region campaign** (to be launched June 17). This region-wide public education and awareness campaign will showcase the rich diversity of Waterloo Region and celebrate people who have moved here from other countries and are now an integral part of this great community [#IamWaterlooRegion](https://www.instagram.com/iamwaterlooregion)
- **Prevention of Violence Canada** is hosting its annual town hall meeting in Toronto this year. We have been invited to and agreed to both participate and bring comments to the opening on June 14 at 6 PM in Toronto. For those who have not had a chance to sign the charter please do so. Participating in this event seems all the more important given the recent tragic mass shooting in Orlando.
- We were pleased to participate in the **Lang's Annual General Meeting** on June 10, 2016.



### 3. Advocate for Equity and Belonging. Reduce Marginalization and Discrimination

- Based on an evaluation survey with guests, the **Justice Dinner** held on May 26, 2016 was deemed a success. Please see overview of results attached. While the topic of mental health and justice was especially challenging some consumers of mental health services who attended the dinner expressed feeling included and understood. And that is likely one of the best indicators of an overall successful attempt to address stigmatization with respect and empathy.
- The Ontario Minister of Health has announced that free naloxone kits will be available from Ontario [pharmacies](#). While details have yet to materialize, expanded naloxone access is consistent with recommendations from both WRCPC and the WRIDS over the last 8 years.

### 4. In the News

- Porch Chat and Truth & Reconciliation segment with Sarah Anderson & Tammy Webster (CBC Morning Edition, June 9, 2016)
- [Health Canada statements on W-18 misleading](#) (Calgary Herald, June 1, 2016)
- Justice Dinner & Mental Health segment with Chris Sadeler & Don Roth (Rogers Daytime, May 24, 2016)

- [Little if any heroin left in Vancouver, all fentanyl: drug advocates](#) (Canadian Press, May 23, 2016)
- Antidote for opioid overdose now available over the counter and for free (CTV News, May 18, 2016. No link.)
- [Ontario, Ottawa expand free access to antidote for opioid overdoses](#) (Globe & Mail, May 18, 2016)
- [Ontario Becomes Third Canadian Province to Make Opiate Overdose Antidote Available Without Prescription](#) (VICE News, May 18, 2016)
- "Re: Try to reform troubled youth" Letter to the Editor (Waterloo Region Record, April 27, 2016. No link)

## 5. Community Corner:

- In response to the violence against the LGBTQ community in Orlando, two local vigils have been organized by the local Rainbow community and supporters. Please show support for Orlando and the LGBTQ community by sharing widely and attending the vigils if you're able.

### [Together We Heal](#)

**Tuesday, June 14**

**8:00 pm - 11:00 pm**

Civic Square

200 King St. W., Kitchener

[SPECTRUM](#) in partnership with the [City of Kitchener](#), [Tri-Pride](#) and the Muslim community will be holding an event focused on Unity and Inclusion as a response to the recent violence against LGBTQ people at the Orlando Pulse Nightclub.

"We recognize that this violence that has occurred during Pride month and the Holy month of Ramadan affects us all and it is by standing strong in our diversity and caring for one another that we heal through such tragedy."

More information:

[Together We Heal Facebook event page](#)

### [Waterloo Region Candlelight Vigil for the Orlando Shootings](#)

**Thursday, June 16**

**9:00 pm - 11:00 pm**

Waterloo Public Square

75 King Street South, Waterloo

[Waterloo Region's Rainbow Coalition](#) and [The Order](#) are proud to provide a space for the community to come together and pay respect to the lives lost in this terrible tragedy. We stand in solidarity with the Orlando LGBTQ community and share our support and condolences.

For this event, we will be gathering outside Waterloo Town Square at 9:00 pm for a candle light vigil. Community members are welcome to speak at this time. At 9:45 pm, we will walk to The Order. As Waterloo Region's only nightclub marketed to the local Rainbow Community, the march to the Order is intended to be a symbol of solidarity with the victims of the nightclub shootings. After the march, individuals will be invited to continue the outdoor candlelight vigil or to come into The Order for an open mic forum.

For updates visit the [Waterloo Region Candlelight Vigil's Facebook page](#).

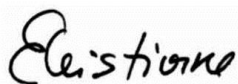
- [Prevention of Violence Canada National Town Hall](#) - Tuesday, June 14, 2016 at Sheraton Centre Toronto – 7:00 pm -9:00 pm. Christiane Sadeler will be on panel.
- Invitation to the [International Association of Law Enforcement Planners \( IALEP\) conference](#) hosted in Waterloo Region the week of September 19, 2016
- Invitation to the House of Friendship's 77th Annual Meeting: Conversations on Belonging, Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 6:00 pm, at Kingsdale Community Centre (72 Wilson Ave, Kitchener). To register please go to <http://hofkw77agm.eventbrite.ca> or call Shelley at 519-742-8327 x131.
- Invitation to the International Community Corrections Association Annual Research Conference in Toronto, Ontario on October 2-5, 2016. [Register Online](#)

## 6. Additional Information

A request for proposals for the evaluation of the smart on crime plan has gone out and the deadline is June 24. Please see attached.

We were successful in securing a summer student grant and the position will be advertised shortly.

Respectfully Submitted,



Christiane Sadeler,  
Executive Director  
May 10, 2016