

WRPCPC Agenda

January 12, 2018

Region of Waterloo

99 Regina Street South

Room #508

9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. (8:30 a.m. Networking)

Chair: Shayne Turner

Minutes: Mary Anna Allen

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest
4. Approval of the December 15, 2017 Minutes – (attached)

4.1 Business Arising

5. Regional Housing Consultation - Tim Welsh (TWC) – 40 min

To provide stakeholder input to the development of the Waterloo Region Housing Masterplan.

6. Approval of WRPCPC Budget 2018 - Christiane Sadeler - 5 min.

The Regional Municipality of Waterloo is the core funder for the WRPCPC and the budget for 2018 has been set. While WRPCPC does not have the capacity to change the overall budget, it is customary for the budget to be presented at this meeting so members of Council can ask questions OR make suggestions for budgetary line adjustments (if possible) and/or propose other changes for the future.

7. Approval of DRAFT WRPCPC Slate 2018 and Policy Recommendations - Courtney Didier - 10 min.

The membership of WRPCPC is reviewed and approved annually and finally ratified by Regional Council (as is the case with all advisory committees). The Vice-Chair of WRPCPC as the chair of nominating presents a draft slate at the January meeting (one month ahead of the inaugural meeting) with specific attention to filling vacancies. This discussion is an in-camera item.

8. Legislation Concerning Not Criminally Responsible Dispositions - Daniel Bader – 30 min

A presentation by Daniel (former placement student for WRPCPC) on legislations regarding “**Not Criminally Responsible**” dispositions is meant to stimulate a discussion about a potential Council position.

9. 40th Anniversary of the Justice Dinner 2018 - Christiane Sadeler – 10 min

With a key anniversary of the Justice Dinner coming up the FC and staff are looking to members of WRCPC for suggestions regarding locations, topics, format, costs, etc. The plan is to put a committee in place as soon as possible to begin to prepare the event, which is scheduled to take place in November 2018.

10. Rural Post Opportunity - Rohan Thompson - 10 min.

Similarly, to the former safe city series that WRCPC hosted together with Rogers TV twice, WRCPC has been offered a regular guest spot in a new rural publication called Rural Post. Staff will outline what this means and will be looking for Council members to contribute to the publication and be featured in the series. **Specifically members who have a connection to rural community work will be sought out for their leadership in making this possible.**

11. Domestic Assault Review Team Event Request - Rohan Thompson - 2 minutes

12. Book Review: **Policing Black Lives: State Violence in Canada from Slavery to the Present** - Barry Cull - 15 min

As part of knowledge mobilization members of WRCPC will share information they gathered through reading a book, attending a seminar, etc. for the benefit of their colleagues on Council. Barry will review this book by Robyn Maynard with an eye to what it might mean for local crime prevention opportunities.

13. Other Business

14. Adjournment

15. Next Meeting: February 9, 2018 (inaugural meeting and election of key leadership positions)

WRPCPC Minutes

December 15, 2017

Walper Hotel

20 Queen St S, Kitchener, ON N2G 1V6

King Conference Room

9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. (8:30 a.m. Breakfast)

Chair: Shayne Turner

Minutes: Mary Anna Allen

Present: Andrew Jackson, Barry Cull, Barry McClinchey, Carmen Abel, Carolyn Albrecht, Cathy Harrington, Chris Cowie, Courtney Didier, Cheryl Flamenco-Steiner, Denise Squire, Douglas Bartholomew- Saunders, Irene O'Toole, Hsiu-Li Wang, Jane Mitchell, Jennifer Mains, Joe-Ann McComb, Jonathan English, Judy Merkel, Karen Spencer, Kathy Payette, Kelly Anthony, Ken Seiling (greetings), Mark Pancer, Michelle Sutherland, , Mike Haffner, Richard Eibach, Sarah Shafiq, Sharon Ward-Zeller, Shayne Turner, Shirley Hilton

Regrets: Angela Vanderheyden, Bill Wilson, Bryan Larkin, Felix Munger, Helen Jowett, John Shewchuk, Kelly Bernier, Liz Vitek, Mark Poland, Michael Beazely, Peter Rubenschuh, Tom Galloway, Peter Ringrose, Trisha Robinson

Guests: Barbara Hill (Justice Dinner Committee 2017), Mark Araujo (Justice Dinner Committee 2017)

1. Welcome and Introductions:

Shayne welcomed everyone to the meeting and shared that the breakfast was a small token of appreciation for all the work members of WRCPC did throughout the year.

2. Regional Chair Ken Seiling:

Regional Chair Seiling brought greetings on behalf of Regional Council and expressed his appreciation for the continued dedication of all members of WRCPC to their community.

3. Approval of Agenda:

Moved by Denise Squire and seconded by Andrew Jackson. Motion carried.

4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest:

None

5. Approval of the November 10, 2017 Minutes:

Moved by Jonathan English and seconded by Chris Cowie. Motion carried.

5.1 Business Arising:

The WRCPC and Wellbeing Waterloo Region are in a favourable position to meet the legislative requirements set out by the Province of Ontario for a Community Safety and Wellbeing plan. The Facilitating Committee will devote some time on its agenda and invite Lorie Fioze, Manager of Strategic Planning and Strategic Initiatives for further discussion about how this work with align with the work of the WRCPC.

6. Approval of the Smart Update (Consent Agenda):

Moved by Denise Squire and seconded by Shirley Hilton. Motion carried.

Barb Hill, Chair of the Justice Dinner Committee provided an update about the recent Justice Dinner: **Restorative Practice - A Call to Action**, held on November 16, 2017. The Committee debriefed about the event and concluded that the event was successful. This year, the WRCPC partnered with Community Justice Initiatives and Grand Valley Institution for Women.

Christiane acknowledged Barb Hill for her long-standing commitment to this event.

Chris Cowie shared that there was much interest generated about Restorative Practice after both events had concluded: The 3 day STRIDE symposium and the 39th Annual Justice Dinner. He thanked the WRCPC for the opportunity to share about Restorative Practice and that he would hope to see in the future imbedded in every sector the creation of a Restorative Practice region.

Shayne Turner asked that Council members share their thoughts about what might be the theme or direction for next year's Justice Dinner given that 2018 will be the 40th anniversary.

Suggestion:

- A formal launch of Restorative Practice region as the focal point

Depending on the topic for 2018, Council members will be asked to participate on the Committee on an as needed basis.

7. Approval of WRCPC Actual vs. Budget 2017:

Christiane presented the Actual versus Budget 2017 to the WRCPC for approval. While the Region provides the core budget presenting the budget annually provides an opportunity for members of Council to see what the budget looks and to ask questions or provide comment.

Christiane explained that the remaining budget was mostly accounted for.

In response to a question about what "Region of Waterloo cost" stood for Christiane explained that there are departmental services provided by the Region such as IT, facilities etc. that are charged back inter-departmentally.

The WRPCPC budget is based on a calendar year. This year for the first time in many years, Regional Council passed the 2018 ahead of the new year.

Moved by Cathy Harrington and seconded by Kelly Anthony. Motion carried.

8. A Glance Back at 2017:

Christiane Sadeler and Rohan Thompson provided some of the highlights of the work of the Council over that past year. This was an opportunity for Council to take a moment to celebrate the collective work, remember some moments that might have been lost due to busy lives and re-discover some of the fun moments. The PowerPoint presentation will be made available on the website.

9. Violence Prevention Committee Update:

Elin Moorlag-Silk provided a presentation to the WRPCPC about the Violence Prevention Committee's actions to date and its future directions. She asked Council members to provide questions and comments. Please see PowerPoint attached.

The Committee has decided to focus on one area of violence prevention for a 12-month period and follow a work plan with deliverables related to that particular focus.

Currently, the focus is on domestic violence and intimate partner violence. Members of the Committee, for this particular focus, are those working in the area of domestic violence and/or have expertise in the area. Membership on the Committee will depend on the focus from herein.

The work plan includes the following:

- 1) Questions related to the area of focus;
- 2) Data collection and analysis;
- 3) Literature review (The Committee is currently in the process of a comprehensive literature review). Gaps in offender prevention programs have already been identified;
- 4) Community consultations. Questions have been drafted and community consultations will begin in January 2018;
- 5) Knowledge mobilization and community engagement.

The Committee will summarize all results by June 2018 and present recommendations to WRPCPC at that time.

It was suggested that the Committee look at possible interventions that could take place for bystanders exposed to violence.

A comment was made about the "child welfare sweep" of indigenous children historically and how this experience repeats itself in families where domestic violence is an issue. More intervention programs such as "Men of Strength"/ "Men of Depth" should be made available. Michelle Sutherland offered to make a presentation about this program to Council.

Other questions were about "violence committed by the state" and its appearance and frequency in our community.

It was acknowledged that more can always be done when it comes to the prevention of violence but it is also important to acknowledge that there are many successful early intervention and prevention services already in place in the community including those at Family and Children's Services of Waterloo Region. As a result of these programs 97% of the children that the organization works with remain safely at home with their parents.

In 2006, a project was started at Family and Children's Services of Waterloo Region that focused on a specialized response to family violence. Part of that specialized focus was on men. The agency has been providing the "Caring Dads" group for over 10 years including in languages other than English. In addition, Family and Children's Services in collaboration with Women's Crisis Services of Waterloo Region provides on-site services at the local shelters to assist women to transition safely back into the community.

Lastly, a comment was made that it is important to remember that often domestic violence can be bi-directional. Many offenders are victims of violence themselves.

Elin shared that the Violence Prevention Committee will be looking at the successful programs and services in the community as well as the gaps.

10. Book Review: Inferno - An Anatomy of American Punishment:

Chris Cowie provided a review about the book Inferno - An Anatomy of American Punishment.

The book by Robert Ferguson, a law professor, is about the prisons in the United States and its broken criminal justice system. The United States punishes at a higher per capita rate than any other country in the world.

A summary will be provided by Chris Cowie and posted to the WRCPC website.

11. Community Plan Review:

Staff provided a presentation of the WRCPC Operational Plan. The presentation included a review of what has been accomplished, what is still pending, what has been dropped and what was taken on but not planned in 2017. The presentation allowed Council to monitor the progress of the operational plan and start the dialogue for the next phase and future planning efforts. Please see PowerPoint attached.

A suggestion was made to change the mission statement from "We advance ideas and actions that alleviate root causes of crime and improve social well-being" to We advance ideas and actions to improve social well-being and alleviate root causes of crime".

12. Other Business:

The WRCPC, in partnership with Community Justice Initiatives and in collaboration with Communitel and the business community will be hosting an event on May 16th, 2018 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. with Senator Kim Pate; former Executive Director of the Elizabeth Fry Society of Canada. Christiane asked that Council members save the date.

13. Adjournment:

Moved by Courtney Didier and seconded Douglas Bartholomew-Saunders. Motion carried at 11:33 a.m.



Violence Prevention Committee: Actions to date & future directions

Elin Moorlag Silk
Coordinator, Community Development & Research
Waterloo Region Crime Prevention Council
15 December 2017



www.PreventingCrime.ca

Violence Prevention Committee

- The VCP is a sub-committee of the Waterloo Region Crime Prevention Council, currently made up of:
 - 2 Members of the WRPCPC
 - Waterloo Region Police Service
 - Local Service Agencies (FACS, WCSWR, CJI)
 - With support from CPC core staff
- Meets bi-monthly
- Reports to the WRPCPC twice per year



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VCP: History & Background

Regional Growth management Plan

Human Services Plan (2004)

Violence Prevention Plan (2006)

Reducing Violence by Enhancing Human and Social Development: A 40 Year Plan for Waterloo Region (2006).



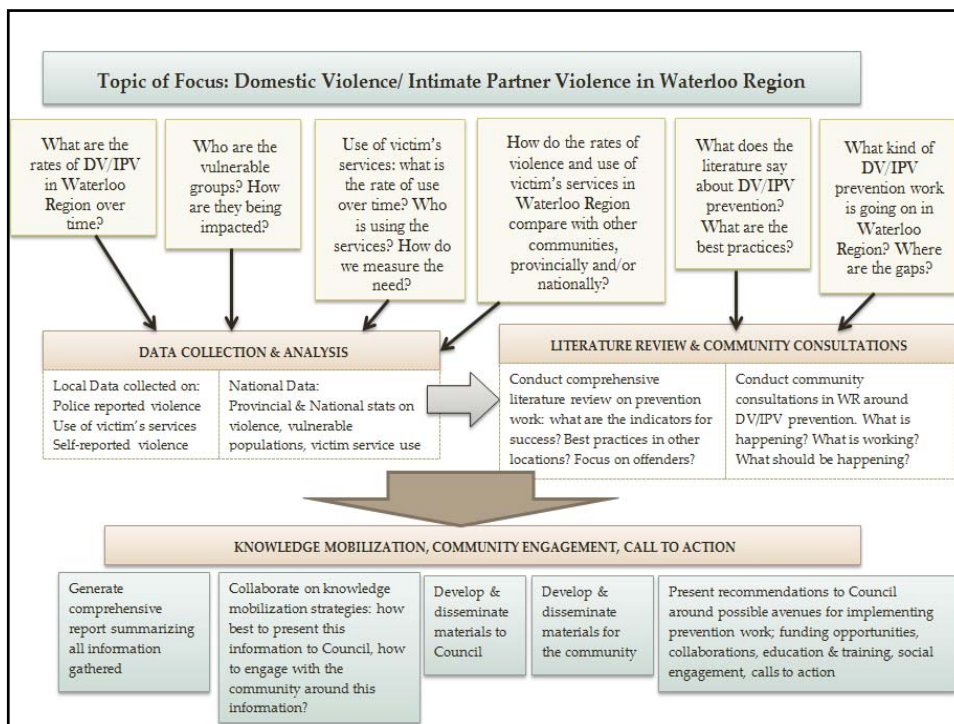
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The Role of the Violence Prevention Committee: Objectives & Actions

- Overall awareness and monitoring of violence statistics and trends in the community, and more broadly
- To gather data and research related to violence and prevention within Waterloo Region and beyond (literature review, environmental scan, community consultations, available statistics)
- To make evidence-based recommendations to the WRPCPC regarding prevention focus, funding opportunities, programming, community engagement, implementation, dissemination, calls to action
- Each year focus on one area/type of violence and follow a 12-month work plan of tasks & deliverables



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Violence Prevention Committee 2017-2018

- June-Sept 2017 Comprehensive Data Report drafted and submitted to the VCP committee
- Sept - Nov 2017 Report feedback & revisions, planning next steps, Preparing for WRPCPC council report, Dec 2017
- Dec 2017 - May 2018 Conduct literature review & community consultations throughout Waterloo Region
- June 2018 Summarize all results, present recommendations to WRPCPC



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Mission

We advance ideas and actions that alleviate root causes of crime and improve social well-being



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Consultation

Nearly 1,500 people:

- Telephone Surveys
- Online Surveys
- Focus Groups
- Community Consultations



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What we heard

Poverty

Unemployment

Disengagement

Problematic Substance Use

Neighbourhoods

Homelessness

Mental Illness



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Priority Areas

- Youth
- Neighbourhoods
- Smart on Crime Momentum



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Priority Approaches:

- Base change in good evidence and innovation
- Expand reach through understanding and engagement
- Lead side by side; leverage dynamic relationships
- Advocate for equity and belonging; reduce marginalization and discrimination

Guiding Principles

1. Focus on root causes/system change
2. Put pressing problems into LT perspective
3. Take a holistic view
4. Align with other community actors
5. Make the margins central to the work
6. Expect the "unforeseen"
7. Learn from mistakes **and** successes
8. Dream big and dive deep



Region of Waterloo

Healthy, Safe & Inclusive Communities

4.5 Enhance Community Safety & Crime Prevention

4.5.1 - Youth Engagement

4.5.2 - Inequality, Exclusion & Stigmatization



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Address Hate Crime by Further Supporting Breaking The Silence (...2016)

Two community events

Endorsements from City of Kitchener and City of Waterloo

Monitor Violence Trends (...2016)

- VPC Revamp
- Report done
- Support of DART

Work with CMNCP to Grow (...2016)

- Hosted national meeting
- Increased to 25 members
- Support to other municipalities
- Significant in-kind support in stabilizing network

Mobilize and Grow Friends Network (...2016)

- Porch chats
- Website development
- Book club

Support WRIDS

- Continue to partner with WRIDS
Support "bigger picture" efforts
- Hosted meetings: re opioid crisis
- Started work on cannabis legislation

Play Key Role in Promoting Restorative Practices

- Justice Dinner topic
- RC aware: "restorative region"
- Media attention

Expand THINK Campaign

Completed in 2016 in partnership with school boards!

Support TRC recommendations

- Report completed – pending WRCPC review
- Porch Chat focused on Indigenous situations
- "Legal Principles" events (2)

Map Crime & Social Conditions of Risk

- Support of transit corridor work
- Youth Engagement Strategy maps – data collected

Increase Knowledge of Root Causes

- Completed research based new statement
- Community course

Mobilize Interventions with Focus on Inequality/Stigmatization/Exclusion

Opioid presentations/media

Inclusion of marginalized voices in

WBWR

Increase Impact of Sector Leadership Approach

Finalized the sector role

Preparing package for roll-out

Advance Reach and Role as "Clearinghouse"

Staff working to balance strategy and responsiveness

WRCPC , a voice for the crime prevention movement well beyond the Region

Advocate for Longer Term Investments in NHs (2018)

Upstream focus in crisis situations

Youth navigator work

Key contributors to NH strategy in

City of Kitchener

Model/Advocate for Inclusion of People with Lived Experiences (2018)

Good Samaritan fact sheet - focus group

Open doors for people with lived experiences as a common process (e.g.

MPP mtg.)

Increase Empathic Responses to Mental Health and Addictions (2018)

Porch chat on criminalization of MH

NCR policy paper completed and waiting for WRCPC endorsement

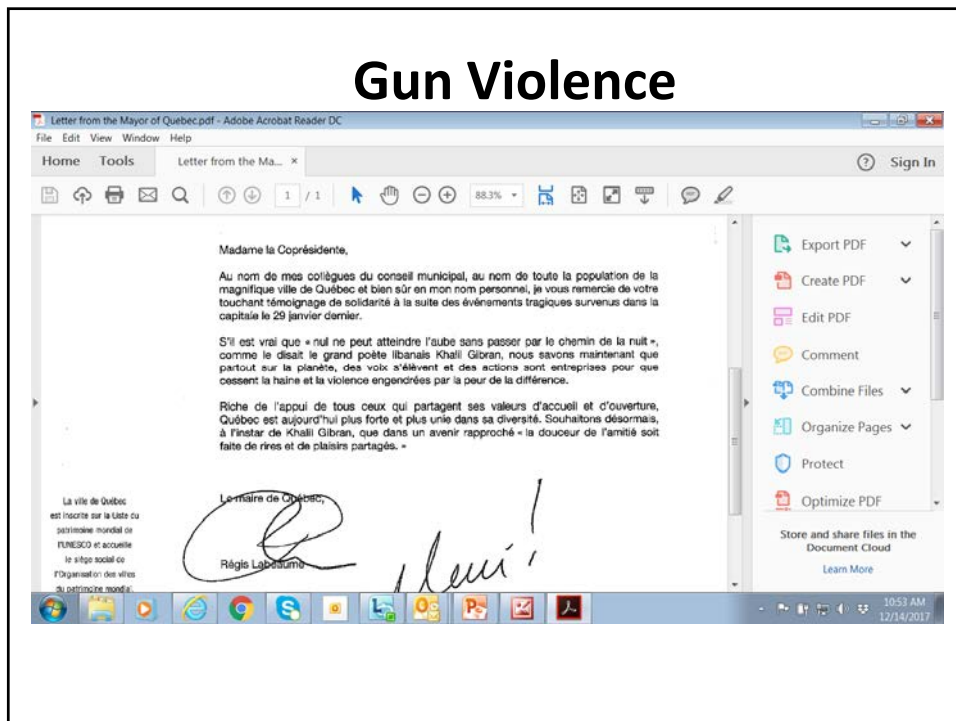
Not Anticipated Opportunities

- Drugs
- Good Samaritan education
- WBWR
- Anti-black racism work
- KW area survey
- Upstream prevention materials and video
- Guadalajara and North America Declaration
- Significantly increased community requests

Turtle Pace

- Y.E.S.
- Decrease isolation of older adults and persons with disabilities
- Monitoring prostitution law

Gun Violence



Thinking ahead to plan 2019-2022

