

MINUTES OF THE CRIME PREVENTION COMMITTEE

HELD IN THE CKF BOARDROOM LANGLEY CITY HALL 20399 Douglas Crescent

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.

Present: Councillor Paul Albrecht, Chair

Councillor Delaney Mack, Co-Chair

Nathan Balasubramanian, Member at Large

Shishane Johnston, Social Services Representative Fraser Holland, Social Services Representative

Brian Doyle, Member at Large Don Osborne, Member at Large

Natalie Selvage, Youth Representative

Mary Kydd, Member at Large

Staff: Dave Selvage, Manager of Community Safety

Sheila Salh, Executive Assistant

Sgt Bal Sidhu, RCMP

Regrets: Lew Murphy, Member at Large

Tanya Gabara, Chamber of Commerce

Heather Giuriato, Downtown Langley Business Association

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 November 30, 2023 agenda be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

2) MINUTES

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the October 25, 2023 minutes of the Crime Prevention Committee meeting be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

3) PRESENTATION

TransLink – Bike Security, planning for the arrival of SkyTrain
 Jon Navarra, Manager, Facility Planning & Development, TransLink
 Cpl Shiraaz Hanif, Transit Police
 Aaron Demes, Government Relations, TransLink

The Translink representatives made a presentation regarding bike parking, storage, and facility design at Transit Facilities.

- Currently there are 11 parkades in the region which are enclosed with double stacked racks for 50-80 bikes. The parkades have controlled 24/7 access via registered Compass Cards, are monitored by CCTV, costs \$1 a day and up to \$8 a month.
- There are over 350 bike lockers available at 36 stations and exchanges. The key-based lockers are individually assigned for a minimum 3-month rental period, costs \$10 a month, with a \$50 key deposit.
- On-demand lockers are pay as you go or a monthly subscription, have keyless access and payment through the Bikeep App and costs \$0.10 an hour, \$1 a day or \$10 a month.
- The standard outdoor bike racks are at most transit stations, installed on concrete with tamper proof anchors, are unsecure and free to use.
- Future design considerations for bike parking and storage includes optimal sightlines, avoiding blind spots and transparency for passive surveillance. Other things to consider are to install them near active lines, provide appropriate lighting and ensure ease of maintenance and cleaning.
- Bike parking expansion plans for the SLS project include a bike parkade at the 203 Street station, bike parkade or lockers at remaining stations, bike racks at all stations and improved AT facilities along Fraser Highway.
- Bike parking facilities are planned at the Broadway Subway Project and Burnaby Mountain Gondola.
- Additional proposed investments in the 10-year priority plan include delivering more bike parkades across the region and the continued roll-out of on-demand bike lockers.
- Bike safety recommendations include bike riders using a u-lock, locking the frame and the wheel, using a secondary cable lock to secure the front tire to the first lock and using a snug lock to minimize the space and leverage that a thief can use.
- It was suggested that bike riders should register their bikes with the 529 Garage app. This allows law enforcement to expedite the recovery process. Also, to use a tracking system or air tag that you can mount on your bike in a discreet location.
- When in need of assistance, the public can use the Bikeep app to contact Translink or call the Transit non-emergency phone number.
- Transit police focus is intelligence led whatever the priority is in the area at that time.

 Bike lockers are advertised especially when there is a new station being implemented.

Discussion continued about Transit stations and bike storage.

ACTION:

Aaron Demes from TransLink will connect with the SLS team to find out more information on the 203 Street Station bike parkade, stats on bike theft and confirm who funds the Transit police.

ACTION:

Staff will share the Translink Bike Parking presentation with the Committee.

4) STANDING ITEMS - Update as needed

- a) Sub-Committee Update Reports:
 - Know Your Neighbour Campaign & Block Walk Events
 Lew Murphy, Mary Kydd, Natalie Selvage, Harvey Michaluk, Brian
 Doyle

Ms. Kydd contacted the RCMP detachment and discovered that it is necessary to apply for the Block Walk program online ahead of time.

Mr. Doyle informed the Committee that there was very little interest at his gathering and that condos are a community within itself and do not want another program.

ii. Cyber Awareness (education initiative)
Nathan Balasubramanian, Tanya Gabara, Fraser Holland, Shishan
Johnstone, Heather Giuriato

Mr. Holland reported that this education initiative is in good shape and that they will do another communication this month which will focus on shopping crime and for the public to use lockers.

iii. Crime Prevention Mural
Brian Doyle, Fraser Holland (on reserve: Tanya Gabara & Heather
Giuriato)

The Manager of Community Safety advised that staff are researching logistics and that the Director of Recreation, Culture and Community Service is doing additional research and will bring this suggestion to the Arts, Recreation, Culture and Heritage Committee for their approval.

S/Sgt Sidhu informed the Committee that wrapping cars costs \$2000.

ACTION: Continue discussion at the next meeting.

Outcome of Council consideration of the Mural Motion Councillor Albrecht iv. Bike Security (inform and educate)

Don Osborne, Natalie Selvage

Mr. Osborne commented that he is investigating additional bike racks outside of the Translink facility and will be promoting Garage 529 and bike valets at Langley events. He also informed the Committee that he would like HUB Cycling to make a presentation at one of the future meetings.

ACTION:

Mr. Balasubramanian will assist Mr. Osborne with the bike valet for Earth Day in April.

b) Crime Prevention Poster – Outreach Project Feedback / Approval / Other Action

Discourage Mail Theft over the Holidays Poster – revised and updated

The committee reviewed and approved the poster for distribution.

c) RCMP Crime Map Analysis – October 2023 S/Sgt Sidhu

S/Sgt Sidhu reported that Project Barcode has been adopted by the Langley RCMP with the goal of protecting the local business community from the impacts of shoplifting. He also reviewed the crime stats map reporting that they now have extra patrol in the parks and problem areas on weekends.

ICBC volunteers will be hanging parking lot audit tags on cars in the Willowbrook Mall area during the holiday season as it is an effective tool that reduces auto thefts.

RCMP are monitoring a specific residence in the City related to ongoing auto theft.

Discussion ensued about crime trends.

5) FOR INFORMATION

a) 2023 CPC Annual Work Plan
The Committee reviewed the annual work plan.

6) ROUND TABLE

 Ms. Selvage created a poster to distribute at various high schools for youth to get involved with the Committee as she will not be returning in the new year.

ACTION: Staff to distribute the poster to various high schools and forward to S/Sgt Sidhu to send to school administrators

- Mr. Doyle discussed his draft Langley City Crime Prevention Poster.
 He had already forwarded it to the Deputy Corporate Officer as a suggestion to hang behind tables at various events.
- The Chair commented that the Committee will be working on a new work plan next year.
- A few of the Committee members mentioned that they would like to hand out Crime Prevention material at the Magic of Christmas event on December 2 as they have done in previous years.

ACTION:

The Chair will coordinate with staff for the Committee to have a table at the Magic of Christmas event.

- The Committee discussed an App called Spike, an alert alarm group chat for communities for real-time communication, that allows users to make audio and video calls to each other.
- The Committee thanked Mr. Doyle and Ms. Selvage for their time and effort with the CPC and wished them well with their new endeavors.

It was MOVED AN	ID SECONDED	
THAT the meeting	adjourn at 7:33pm.	
<u>CARRIED</u>		
	CHAIR	
Certified Correct:	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT	