

Hedland Community Safety Advisory Forum- Minutes



Date: 23 October 2018
 Time: 10:00am-1:00pm
 Venue: Council Chambers, McGregor St.
 Facilitator: Dorinda Cox
 Chair: Mayor Camillo Blanco
 Break: 11:30am-11:45am

Agenda No.	Topic
1.	Welcome to Country
2.	<p>Open Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome and facilitator introduction - Guest introductions <p>Attendees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mayor Camillo Blanco & Michael Cuvalo- Town of Port Hedland ▪ Shaun Burgess- Member for Pilbara (proxy) ▪ Lincoln Tavo- FMGL ▪ Jeanette Hasleby- Roy Hill ▪ Julie Flux- Department of Social Services ▪ Maureen Kelly & Alfred Barker- Hedland Aboriginal Strong Leaders ▪ Neil Darby- Dept. Education- Pilbara ▪ Stephen Clarke- WA Police ▪ Tracey Darch- Department of Justice (proxy) ▪ Carly Jakutavicius- Dept. Communities- Housing ▪ Dorinda Cox- University of Western Australia (proxy) <p>Administrator: Keesha Booth- Town of Port Hedland</p> <p>Guests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sarah Wright- WA Council of Social Services <p>Apologies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Margi Faulkner- WA Country Health Services ▪ Kevin Michel- Member for Pilbara ▪ Vicky Jack & Tim Turner- Dept. Communities- Integration and Formation Unit ▪ Paula Hyde- Department of Justice ▪ Melissa Rennie- Dept. of Prime Minister and Cabinet ▪ Harry Blagg- University of Western Australia ▪ Jayd Morawski and Craig Parkin- WA Police ▪ Faizah Ghufon- Department of Human Services ▪ Nathan Douglas (Rio Tinto) ▪ Natasha Barges- Dept. Communities- Child Protection and Family Support

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chris Cottier- BHP
3.	OVERVIEW OF PREVIOUS MEETING
4.	<p>Banned Drinkers Register- Update</p> <p>WA Council of Social Services (WACOSS) and Western Australian Network of Alcohol and Other Drug Agencies (WANADA) have sent letters to relevant State Ministers to request further information on the implementation of a Banned Drinkers Register in the Pilbara. This letter was sent in concerns of the Minister stating at the public community forums conducted in the Pilbara earlier this year, of their intention to roll out the trial in November and December 2018. Since then there has been limited engagement with community leaders or stakeholders. This letter was released on the basis that a trial would commence in November/December 2019 which raised concerns of State Government transparency.</p> <p>NT Banned Drinkers Register- Department of Health Discussions on the findings and evidence from the NT Banned Drinkers register were raised. Majority of members had not seen the Process Evaluation Report: Evaluation report of the first six months of operation of the BDR in the Northern Territory. Community Safety Advisor handed out Key Messages and Recommendations (extract) from the evaluation report which was a brief 3 page summary of recommendations on the continuation of the Banned Drinkers register in the Northern Territory.</p> <p>Member for Pilbara proxy update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The trial is looking to roll out in the first quarter of 2019. Minister has secured University of Western Australia's Public Policy Institute to undertake the evaluation of the BDR in the Pilbara by engaging with relevant stakeholders to establish a data baseline to determine indicators of success. Other government department have been notified of the BDR to start planning for how they are going to service the community with a wrap-a-round framework. The trial will be undertaken over a 12-24 month period with review stages to ensure evaluation points are completed with longitudinal assessment. Minister is still meeting with individual departments to have clear implementation plan which is currently under ongoing negotiations. <p>Comments from the Advisory Forum were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concerns of postponing the trial when there is a significant alcohol issue in the community that continue to harm community and children. Stakeholders identified community members support the trial commencing in the Pilbara therefore if the community wants it, there should not be a postponement based on this need. Acknowledgement of wrap-a-around servicing is essential to the initiative with allocation of additional resources from State Government required. Concerns that organisations based outside of Hedland are trying to postpone the trial with limited consultation with community specifically the Aboriginal community. Although evidence has come out of the Northern Territory on key findings and recommendations, it was noted that the NT and Pilbara are geographically different and unique. Alternative responses stated that we should leverage off the recommendations from the evaluation report from the NT and apply it to the context of the Pilbara. Acknowledging the unintended consequences from the NT evaluation and risk manage appropriately.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understands we don't have full control over the unintended consequences but ensure we adopt an agile practice to implementing this trial. • The purpose of a trial is to try something new which may not have sufficient evidence or framework, to guide it. <p>ACTION: Send a letter of support to the Minister Papalia's office to not delay the roll out of the Banned Drinkers Register in the Pilbara.</p> <p>Quorum Voted: HASL, WAPOL, FMGL, Roy Hill, and Member for Pilbara, Dept. Communities- Housing, Dept. Education- Pilbara, and ToPH.</p> <p>Non-voting members: Dept. Justice, Dept. Social Services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UWA Public Policy Institute to identify pre-sentencing options through the courts to access support services for their alcohol relates issues i.e. social and emotional wellbeing. To ensure there is not an increase in incarceration rates and create a diversionary option. • Hedland Aboriginal Strong Leader elder requested the terminology "subset" be removed and not described in future meetings, as outlined in the evaluation report referring to minority groups. <p>Absent from voting: BHP, Rio Tinto, Dept. Health, Dept. Human Services, Dept. Prime Minister and Cabinet, Dept. Communities- Child Protection & Family Support, Dept. of Communities- Integration and Formation,</p> <p>Link: www.banneddrinkerregister.nt.gov.au</p>
5.	<p>Alcohol and Other Drug Plan's- no updates provided</p> <p>West Pilbara Healing Plan- update</p> <p>Department of Education- Pilbara</p> <p>Interagency support specifically with WAPOL and Dept. Communities has assisted the school with a few changes including the school curriculum.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School students attended Country Week with three students been selected for state representation. • The department has engaged with community elders '6718' who is hopefully been funded by Woodside and other organisations to develop a healing plan on Decker Station for family groups receiving support on their trauma. It is driven by the local elders and Pilbara Aboriginal Voices (PAV). It is led by the elders, directed by the elders and been supported by industry and support agencies. • Positive news is there is improvement in attendance but acknowledges that Education is still dealing with the complexities of trauma with children everyday affected by sexual abuse. • The Department has initiated a 2 day training for staff and stakeholders through Department of Health: Sexual health and healing to understand how to deal with the kids needs and build relationships with the parents and children. Part of this engagement is through the Positive Parenting Program (PPP). • The West Pilbara Plan will expand to other communities but one of its greatest strengths is it is led by the Aboriginal elders and community.

	<p>Reform work occurring in this space in conjunction with Department of Communities. The District Leadership Group (DLG) has decided to look at two priority areas across the Pilbara:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. West Pilbara Healing Plan 2. School Attendance: The Kimberley's and Pilbara have the lowest school attendance rates in Western Australia. The focus is getting kids educated and ensuring they are in a safe place with wrap-a-round allied health services. <p>Hedland Senior High School has partnered with Clontarf Foundation to improve the education, discipline, life skills, and self-esteem and employment prospects of young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander men and by doing so equips them to participate meaningfully in society. This partnership will commence in 2019 with further implementation for a girls program in the near future.</p> <p>Small wins that need to be acknowledged are Hedland students attending <i>Country Week</i> who represented their community admirably with positive feedback from others, in turn build the students' self-esteem.</p> <p>ACTION: Department of Education- Pilbara will present school attendance data for the Hedland community. Advisory Forum member requested data sets back date to the original recording of school attendance, to understand the trends.</p> <p>ACTION: Proxy Member for Pilbara to request information from HASL on safe house proposal which he can submit to Minister Tinley and Minister McGurk.</p> <p>ACTION: Member for Pilbara to provide an update on the progress statues of the West Pilbara Healing Plan recommendations.</p>
3.	<p>Request for Quote: Update</p> <p>University of Western Australia presented findings of the review and evaluation of the previous Community Safety Plans by the Town of Port Hedland, governance structure, key performance indicators, outcomes and recommendations moving forward.</p> <p>Refer to power point attachment in zip file.</p>
4.	<p>S152 Liquor Restricted Premises</p> <p>WA Police presented a brief overview of the statutory requirements and the role police have on the s152 liquor restricted premises (LRP). A local case study is been conducted by South Hedland Police Station on consistent patrolling of 11 LRP's and the impacts police presence has had on these houses complying. Surveys are been conducted with tenants to gage the impacts of this case study.</p> <p>ACTION: WA Police to present findings of this case study when completed</p> <p>Dept. Communities- Housing (referred to as the 'department' below) identified that 58 out of the 59 LRP's are department of housing stock. Key discussion points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The department can't enforce tenants to go on LRP as per the Residential Tenancy's Act. • If a tenant is at risk of losing their tenancy they are encouraged by the Department to apply for a LRP. The Department has seen success and failures through this process and acknowledges the migration of issue does occur as well as returning to the residence intoxicated, which creates a flow on affect for the tenant.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New tenants with poor tenancy history who re-access the department's services can be placed on a 6 month fixed term contract with conditions such as LRP application to engage with the STEP program with Pilbara Community Legal Services. Tenants can't apply for the LRP until they have signed their tenancy agreement with the Department. • The department can't force the tenants to apply for the LRP but identify it as a favourable process, especially after the fixed term period. The LRP has given tenants the power to tell visitors and family they can't drink at the premise which empowers tenants. • Questions raised by member if tenants are informed about their rights and the LRP requirements? The Department has disruptive behaviour and housing officers who work closely with at risk tenants. Through the three strike process tenants usually understand the consequences if they continue to disrupt their neighbours with alcohol related incidences. If they don't adhere to the second warning and continue to disrupt neighbours, the Department puts an application to the court and the magistrate decides on their tenancy outcome. <p>A proposal from the action group to map out the s152 Liquor Restricted Premises by identifying the qualitative data sets that identify the effectiveness of the LRP pre, during and post application. The action group identified there is limited connectivity between services when someone is referred to applying for a LRP and are wanting to explore this process further to understand how different departments can strengthen not just the legislative requirements but provide a wrap-around-approach to servicing the tenants and their families.</p> <p>ACTION: Department of Communities- Housing & Child Protection and Family Services & WA Police to collate data on the number of LRP's they service, how they measure the success of the LRP's from their service provisions. What are the strengths and gaps in the current process?</p> <p>Please refer to power point for key points outlined.</p>
	<p>Workshop Summary: Short, Medium and Long Term Goals</p> <p>Community Safety Advisor will send out a Community Safety Plan: draft implementation plan to the community safety governance groups in November for feedback before the draft document goes out to public in Dec-January period.</p>
	<p>YOUTH DIVERSIONARY</p> <p>Letter of support for Building Better Regions Funding (ToPH)</p> <p>ACTION: The group voted on providing a support letter for the Building Better Regions Fund application for the JD Hardie Expansion project.</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Next meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Setting the agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Review of the Community Safety Implementation Plan - Tuesday 4 December 2018, Council Chamber, McGregor St (10:00am-2:00pm)