



TOWNSHIP OF EDWARDSBURGH CARDINAL ACTION ITEM

Committee: Committee of the Whole – Community Development

Date: June 7, 2021

Department: Administration

Topic: Community Safety and Well Being Plan

Purpose: To receive, review and recommend approval of the CSWP.

Background: A Community Safety and Well-Being Plan (CSWP) identifies community risks and looks to proactively develop evidence-based strategies and programs to address local priorities related to crime and complex social issues.

The United Counties of Leeds and Grenville took the coordination role and engaged the services of consultants Jane Torrance and Stephanie Gray (Big Thinking), in January 2021 to complete the plan as prescribed by legislation on behalf of the lower tier municipalities and the Town of Prescott. A multi-sectoral Advisory Committee was assembled for the process. The consultation process engaged a combination of individuals, groups, organisations and agencies.

The draft plan was presented at the UCLG on June 2, 2021 and the final plan is attached for committee review and recommendation to Council.

Policy Implications: The *Police Services Act* requires that municipalities in Ontario prepare and adopt a community safety and well-being plan by July 1, 2021.

Financial Considerations: The cost allocation for the plan was based on the 2016 census population for each participating municipality. The total project cost was estimated at \$38,000.00 and our estimate share is \$3,640.00.

Recommendation: That Committee recommends that Council approve the Community Safety and Well-Being Plan as presented and direct staff to post the plan to the website and have a printed copy available for review at the municipal office.

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