

Corporation of the Municipality of Brockton

Report to Council

Report Title: Community Safety and Well-Being Plans

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Department: Administration

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Attachments: Community Safety and Well-Being Planning Framework

Halton Region Community Safety and Well-Being Plan,

Prince Edward County Community Safety and Well-Being Plan

Recommendation:

That the Council of the Municipality of Brockton hereby receives Report Number CAO2019-10 - Community Safety and Well-Being Plans, prepared by Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer for information purposes, and in doing so supports a letter being sent to the County of Bruce suggesting a collaborative approach to the Community Safety and Well-Being Plans would be beneficial to the lower tier municipalities across the County; and

Further that Brockton Council requests that the County of Bruce lead the collaborative group or initiates discussion with the Grey Bruce Health Unit; and

Further that Brockton Council acknowledges that support towards a staff resource in the form of a project coordinator may be required.

Report:

Background:

The Police Services Act was amended and effective January 1, 2019 as part of the legislation, municipalities are required to develop and adopt community safety and well-being plans working partnership with a multi-sector advisory committee comprised of representation from the Police Services Board and other local service providers in health/mental health, education, community/social service and children/youth services. In relation to this plan requirements are also outlined pertaining to conducting consultations, content of the plan, and monitoring and evaluating, reporting and publishing the plan.

Municipalities have two years to get the plan in to place (January, 2021) and can do this individually, or in partnership with neighbouring municipalities to develop a joint plan.

Analysis:

A meeting was held in Owen Sound on Friday March 22, 2019 hosted by the Grey Bruce Health Unit. Mayor Peabody and I attended, as well as Brian Read from the Brockton Police Services Board. At this meeting the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services outlined the requirements in the plan as follows:

- Creation of an advisory committee (including, but not limited to, LHIN health/mental health, child and youth services, education, community/social services, custodial services, municipal council members/employees, police services)
- Must conduct consultation across the community
- Specific contents of the plan were highlighted (identifying risk factors, identifying strategies and setting measurable outcomes)
- There are regulatory requirement to publish a completed plan within 30 days after adoption (online and in print)
- Additional regulations will come regarding monitoring, evaluating, reporting and reviewing the plan

As a result of that meeting the following action items were identified:

- Discussion needs to be had by municipalities/counties regarding interest in creating one shared plan; there is a need to identify if there are municipalities that want to create their own plan, separate and apart from others
- Lessons learned from Situation Table include the need for a Coordinator (dedicated position) to facilitate the creation of the plan(s)

As a municipality we are required to have a plan in place by January 2021. I would recommend a joint approach is the best option for Brockton for many risks affecting Brockton are similar risks across the County.

In order to facilitate initiating this process locally I would recommend a letter be sent to the County of Bruce suggesting a collaborative approach to the Community Safety and Well-Being Plans would be Brockton's preference and would beneficial to the lower tier municipalities. I would also suggest that we request that the County and/or the Health Unit lead the collaborative group and acknowledge that support towards a project coordinator to lead this project to completion would be supported.

I have attached two plans for Council's information purposes.

Sustainability Checklist:

What aspect of the Brockton Sustainable Strategic Plan does the content/recommendations in this report help advance?

•	Do the recommendations help move the Municipality closer to its Vision?	Yes
•	Do the recommendations contribute to achieving Cultural Vibrancy?	N/A
•	Do the recommendations contribute to achieving Economic Prosperity?	N/A
•	Do the recommendations contribute to Environmental Integrity?	N/A
•	Do the recommendations contribute to the Social Equity?	Yes

Financial Impacts/Source of Funding:

• Do the recommendations represent a sound financial investment from a sustainability perspective? Yes

This is a legislative requirement. Due to the consulting, assessments and review required for development of this plan it cannot be done at a staff level and may require some financial contribution towards a dedicated staff person as a project coordinator for this initiative.

Reviewed By:



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Respectfully Submitted by:

Sonya Watson, Chief Administrative Officer