The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss



Staff Report

Report Title: Community Safety and Well-Being Plan

Prepared By: Emily Dance, Clerk

Department: Clerk

Date: Apr. 7, 2021

Report Number: CLK-2021-04-31 File Number: CSWBP

Attachments: CSWB Survey Poster, Survey Copy

Recommendation:

That the Township of Huron-Kinloss Committee of the Whole hereby receives for information Report Number CLK-2021-04-31 prepared by Emily Dance, Clerk

Background:

On January 1, 2019 the Province introduced an amendment to the Police Services Act which mandated every municipality to prepare and adopt a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan. (CSWBP)

The CSWBP is an approach to crime prevention that is collaborative and focuses on addressing the risks in our communities that can lead to crime.

The Township of Huron-Kinloss joined the lower tier municipalities in both the County of Bruce and County of Grey (except Meaford) to form and Advisory Committee to use the existing resources to enhance collaboration and information sharing from the agencies including: Grey-Bruce Health Unit, Bruce Grey Child and Family Services, United Way Grey-Bruce, Victim Services Bruce Grey Perth, Canadian Mental Health & Addiction Services Grey Bruce and Grey Bruce Integrated Health Coalition.

The Plan was presented and endorsed at the November 30, 2020 Police Services Board meeting. Subsequently the CSWBP was adopted by Township of Huron-Kinloss Council at their December 21, 2020 Council meeting.

Discussion:

To move forward to the implementation phase, the County of Bruce requested that each lower tier municipality in the County of Bruce provide \$5,000.00, in a manner similar to the funding of the drafting of the CSWBP. This request was supported during the 2021 Township of Huron-Kinloss budget deliberations.

The Counties of Bruce and Grey have committed to continue to lead and resource the process with the assistance of a project coordinator. Sarah Cowley from Sarah C Consulting was instrumental in the creation of the plan and has since accepted another position; therefore, a new project coordinator will be hired to assist in Phase 2, the recruitment is underway.

Phase 2 of the CSWBP will focus on the Action Table identification and community engagement to clarify specific actions that can be taken in each of the Priority Area of Risk. The Advisory Committee will review each priority risk area to identify an action table; form an action table or plan for a future action table.

As well, the second round for the survey is being prepared for distribution with the launch date of April 1 to run for 6 weeks through to Sunday May 16, 2021.

The survey can be completed on-line, or residents can pick up a hard copy by request. Staff will circulate the survey through various social media outlets, Have you say HK and other communication avenues.

Financial Impacts:

There are no financial impacts associated with this report.

Strategic Alignment / Link:

We are a spirited community that takes pride in calling Huron-Kinloss home.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Emily Dance, Clerk

Approved By:

Mary Rose Walden, Chief Administrative Officer