

Municipality of Lakeshore – Report to Council

Strategic & Legal Affairs



To: Mayor & Members of Council
From: Kristen Newman, Corporate Leader – Strategic & Legal Affairs
Date: May 10, 2022
Subject: Regional Community Safety and Well-being Plan

Recommendation

This report is for information only.

Background

In 2019, the Province of Ontario amended the *Police Services Act* to mandate every municipality to prepare and adopt a Community Safety and Well-Being Plan. After discussions amongst the regional Chief Administrative Officers proposing a regional CSWB Plan, Report S198/2019 and CAO-2019-11 was brought to City of Windsor (City) and Essex County (County) Councils respectively, requesting authorization to engage the County of Essex and its municipalities to develop a Regional Community Safety and Well-Being Plan (RCSWBP).

At the December 10, 2019 meeting, Council passed the following Resolution 575-12-2019:

Administration continue to work with the Town's regional partners to develop a community safety and well-being plan as described in the report of the Director of Legislative & Legal Services entitled, Community Safety and Well-being Plan, presented at the December 10, 2019 Council meeting.

The Windsor Essex Regional Community Safety and Well-Being Plan Project Team (the "Project Team") presented the RCSWBP to Council on December 8, 2020. A further presentation was made by the Project Team at the June 22, 2021 Council meeting to update the RCSWBP. Council was provided with an opportunity to offer input on local and regional priorities and reviewed the results of public consultations conducted within each municipality.

On October 12, 2021 Council received a further update presentation by the Project Team and passed the following Resolution 324-10-2021:

Receive the report for information regarding the Delegation of Approval Authority for the Regional Community Safety and Well-Being Plan, as presented at the October 12, 2021; and

Authorize the Essex County Council to approve the Windsor Essex Regional Community Safety and Well-Being Plan and any subsequent reports on behalf of the Municipality of Lakeshore.

Comments

The Project Team submitted the final RCSWBP to the Ministry of the Solicitor General on December 3, 2021.

The formal response from the Ministry of the Solicitor General was received on May 5, 2022, as attached.

Others Consulted

Leonardo Gil, Project Manager, City of Windsor

Financial Impacts

The development of the RCSWBP was funded by the City of Windsor and County of Essex. The development of the plans was provincially mandated. There is an expectation that plans may require review on a yet-to-be determined cycle. Further, implementation of aspects of the RCSWBP will require sufficient resources and may incur additional costs, which will be presented to the municipal councils in the region by the respective administrations as required.

Attachments

A-Response of Solicitor General

Report Approval Details

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Attachments:	- A-SolicitorGeneralLetter.pdf
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This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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Approved by Justin Rousseau and Truper McBride