

**Priorities Committee Meeting\_Jun27\_2023****STRATEGIC INITIATIVE AND UPDATE**

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**Community Safety and Well-being update 2023****Report Purpose**

To provide the Priorities Committee with an update on progress regarding creation and implementation of the Community Safety and Well-being Strategy.

**Our Strategic Goals**

Goal 2 - Healthy and Safe Community

Goal 2 Priority - Social supports that enhance community well-being and safety, and build community connection

Goal 4 Priority - Relationships with all levels of government and key stakeholders that are strategic, purposeful and productive

Goal 2 Priority - A diverse, welcoming, inclusive, and an accessible community for all

**Report**

To inform development of a Community Safety and Well-being (CSWB) Strategy for Strathcona County, a focused stakeholder engagement was held beginning in October 2021. Sixty-six community groups and over 300 participants took part in the engagement, including first responders, front-line service providers, businesses, schools, faith communities, and more.

The data from the engagement has been analyzed and a *CSWB What We Heard Report* has been created summarizing the engagement findings. A CSWB Strategy is being drafted to respond to the engagement results. Key elements of the Strategy include strategic priorities, a vision statement and outcome statements. Action to address opportunities and challenges identified in the engagement and to achieve the vision and outcomes of CSWB has begun and is being driven by a CSWB Action Table approach.

Initial work on the CSWB Strategy has been informed and supported by the County's Social Framework Leadership Table and a CSWB Steering Committee. These groups have recently merged into a CSWB Administrative Committee that will be guided by the principles of the Social Framework and will focus on addressing the CSWB priorities.

**Council and Committee History**

February 28, 2023	Council approved the transition of the Community Safety and Well-being Committee to an administrative committee.
April 12, 2022	Council received an update on the Community Safety and Well-being strategy and preliminary findings from the stakeholder engagement.
June 22, 2021	Council received an update on the Community Safety and Well-being strategy.
March 30, 2021	Council received a report on options and possible next steps for developing a Community Safety and Well-being strategy for Strathcona County.
November 24, 2020	Council approved that by the end of the first quarter of 2021, administration provide a report on options and possible next steps

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November 9, 2020 for developing a Community Safety and Wellbeing strategy for Strathcona County.  
Family and Community Services and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police presented the concept of Community Safety and Well-being to the COVID-19 Citizen and Community Supports Task Force.

**Other Impacts****Policy:** N/A**Financial/Budget:** N/A**Legislative/Legal:** N/A**Interdepartmental:** N/A**Master Plan/Framework:** Social Framework**Enclosures**

- 1 Community Safety and Well-being update presentation
- 2 Community Safety and Well-being What We Heard report