



**2015 COMMUNITY CONSULTATION
MEETING RESULTS**
District 2 Meeting
Westdale Community Centre
May 28, 2015

A CULTURE OF SAFETY FOR ALL

MEETING ATTENDANCE	
Community Members: 2	
Winnipeg Police Board <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillor Scott Gillingham, Board Chair • Leslie Spillett, Board Chair • Ken Matchett, Board Chair 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barry Tuckett, Board Vice Chair • Don Norquay • Mallory Richard • Gwen Kist
Winnipeg Police Service <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chief Devon Clunis • Deputy Chief Art Stannard • Deputy Chief Dave Thorne 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspector Rick Guyader • Staff Sergeant Rob Harding • Staff Sergeant Chris Puhach • Workload Analyst Jeffrey Wyman
Facilitators <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kate Kehler • Josh Brandon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daniel Thau-Eleff • Kathryn MacKenzie • Karn Gill

Because this meeting had a much smaller turnout than was anticipated, the meeting’s structure was adjusted. After consulting with the community members in attendance, the Winnipeg Police Board and the Winnipeg Police Service opted not to make formal presentations on the strategic plan. Instead, the Board Chair and Chief Clunis had a conversation with the community members, responding directly to their questions and comments. The feedback from this conversation is organized below into questions that came up over the course of the discussion and input the community members offered on their policing and public safety priorities.

QUESTIONS POSED

- How many police are on patrol at any given time?
- Would increasing time on duty increase or decrease costs?
- Will the Winnipeg Police Service be reducing funding to some of its current activities to increase funding for the priorities identified in the strategic plan? If so, where will cost reductions occur?
- Are there times when more one-officer patrol cars can be deployed instead of two-officer cars?

COMMENTS

- Crime prevention through social development is important, but traditional policing (responding to calls and investigating crimes) also needs reinforcement
- Statistics about rates of victimization are more important than rates of reported crime because people tend to report crimes if they feel something will be done about it and (in the case of property crime) if they need to make an insurance claim
- Feel there is a correlation between drug use and crime
- Crime prevention initiatives directed at children and youth are the most important, teaching life skills is also important
- Poverty plays a role in people becoming involved in gangs
- Restorative justice shows offenders the impact of their actions on their victims
- Neighbourhood and community connections are essential for combatting crime
- We realize that police spend a lot of time assisting people with mental illness
- Recognition that policing is a stressful occupation
- Photo radar is less effective than live policing at improving public safety
- Need to find ways to make policing more efficient, control costs