



**2015 COMMUNITY CONSULTATION
MEETING RESULTS**
District 4 Meeting
Park City West Community Centre
June 10, 2015

A CULTURE OF SAFETY FOR ALL

MEETING ATTENDANCE	
Community Members: 5	
Winnipeg Police Board	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councillor Scott Gillingham, Board Chair • Councillor Ross Eadie, Board Member • Barry Tuckett, Board Vice Chair • Kenneth Matchett, Board Member 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leslie Spillett, Board Member • Don Norquay • Mallory Richard • Gwen Kist
Winnipeg Police Service	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chief Devon Clunis • Deputy Chief Art Stannard • Superintendent Bruce Ormiston • Superintendent Bill Fogg • Superintendent Gord Perrier 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspector Greg Burnett • Staff Sergeant Jim Anderson • Analyst Maureen Musgrove • Analyst Yvonne Pregely-Sarzynski
Facilitators	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Josh Brandon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erica Young

1. During the presentation on the strategic plan, were there any parts where you felt the Board and the Police Service are on the right track?

- In the 1970s, Transcona had youth justice committees that were used to deal with minor crimes, it was a good program for the time and was similar to restorative justice programs
- Pleased to see the strategic plan's focus on social development
- Engaging communities is huge, that will move us in the right direction
- The strategic plan is mostly on the right track
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- Another participant said the plan was mostly on the right track
- We have one of the "top police chiefs in the country"
- Like that we are moving back toward the idea of having patrol officers that the community can get to know
- The police should be in contact with Transcona BIZ, seniors' councils, community networks

- Strong relationships between police and the community are important, it lets people know the police are there to help them
- Like the idea of a SMART policing approach, using data to predict where and when crimes could occur

2. Were there any parts where you felt the Board and the Police Service are on the wrong track, or that they are falling short of your expectations?

- The strategic plan is mostly on the right track
- How will the police increase its referrals to restorative justice and diversion programs?
- One participant expressed regret that the names of young offenders are no longer published by the media, felt that was a disincentive to committing a crime

3. Do you support the vision of the strategic plan, Creating a culture of safety for all?

- Yes
- If you don't feel safe you're less likely to get out and do anything
- Safety in the community: I feel safe in every neighbourhood I've lived in
- One participant pointed out that safety comes with personal responsibility as well, such as keeping a person's home secure and using crime prevention through environmental design

4. Police budgets have increased across the country, including Winnipeg. What are your thoughts in regard to policing costs?

- One participant placed trust in experts to determine what costs were acceptable, and where cuts should be made if they are required
- The mounted patrol unit should not have been cut, but citizens should ask themselves if there are services they would prefer to see cut instead
- We should ensure that any cuts to service don't put our officers' safety at risk (referencing the killing of a police officer in Edmonton)
- Important to limit cost increases, but policing is a priority and it needs resources
- Can we use more volunteers?

5. One of the goals of the strategic plan is "engaged communities." What would that look like to you?

- Has there been progress made in stopping the number of vehicle break-ins, or in arresting offenders?
- What resources or conditions do the police need to better connect with us?

6. What should the Police Service do to earn greater trust and confidence?

- Provide people with more opportunities to get to know the officers in their communities
- The police should use social media to promote awareness of where people can go to get information, or who to contact
- The community police offices were appreciated, it is too bad they were not cost efficient
- Meetings like this work, they make me want to engage more

7. What are your ideas for making your community safer?

- Rather than the Winnipeg Police Service having one Facebook page, there should be pages for each part of Winnipeg to better connect with young people in each area
- A tip line that could receive text messages to help reduce small crimes
- Ways to use smart phones to share information with police, such as video
- Different technologies are needed to meet the needs of youth than seniors
- Is there a capacity to make tips or report things if you don't necessarily want a response back?

8. What are the biggest safety challenges in your community?

- Traffic issues, such as stop signs being ignored; a girl in this area was hit by a car last week
- Theft, especially theft from cars
- Small property crime, things that people experience most often are not necessarily the biggest issues but those crimes can also lead to bigger crimes
- Domestic violence, it's less visible but it's an issue
- Loitering is an issue in some areas
- Sexual harassment and assault, one participant mentioned an incident that occurred in a back lane
- People should feel safer walking around, especially at night

9. When we report back on our progress a year from now, what do you want to hear?

- These events should be better publicized, with information on the bulletin board and information in Transcona BIZ
- Progress reports should talk about new initiatives and changes in how police engagement is done
- Ongoing meetings with the community
- Progress reports should tell us how things are going and what is being accomplished