



Community Safety and Well-Being Advisory Committee

Minutes

Meeting #: 6
Date: Wednesday, June 18, 2025
Time: 4 pm
Location: Champlain Room, 110 Laurier Avenue West, and by electronic participation

Present: Tom D'Amico (Chair), Claire Kendall (Vice-Chair), Monica Armstrong, Trevor Arnason, Salim Fakirani, Clara Freire, Meseret Haileyesus, Kevin McHale, John Strickland, Abid Jan (on behalf of Eric Stubbs)

Absent: Brianna Dusome, Mason Flatla

Present non-voting Members: Councillor David Hill

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1.1 Chair and Vice-Chair Remarks

At the outset of the meeting, Vice-Chair Claire Kendall recognized the contributions of Chair Tom D'Amico and thanked him for his work on the Committee, as he will be retiring and stepping down from his Committee role on June 30, 2025.

The Chair also recognized the two new public members, Mason Flatla and John Strickland, and welcomed them to the Committee.

2. Declarations of Interest

No Declarations of Interest were filed.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

3.1 CSWBAC Minutes 5 – March 27, 2025

Carried

4. Community and Social Services Department

4.1 Community Safety and Well-being Plan Refresh Update

Sarah Mullen, Program Manager, Social Development, presented an overview of the item and answered questions from the Committee. A copy of the slide presentation is filed with the Office of the City Clerk.

There were no public submissions on the item.

Committee discussion on this item included the following topics:

- Gender-based violence
- Mental health and addiction

- Impacts of new legislation on the Community Safety and Well-being Plan (CSWB Plan)
- The CSWB Plan's engagement timeline and mechanisms
- Primary care

Committee suggested the following ACTION:

- That staff consider including access to primary care indicator as part of the engagement plan for the Community Safety and Well-being Plan Refresh

Following discussions, the Committee considered the item recommendation as follows:

Recommendation

That the Community Safety and Well-Being Advisory Committee receive the update and provide feedback as appropriate.

Received

4.2 Community Safety and Well-being Plan Performance Measurement Framework Update

Sawsan Al-Refaei, Manager, Strategic Projects, and Vinh Nguyen, Manager, Social Policy, Research and Analytics, presented an overview of the item and answered questions from the Committee. A copy of the slide presentation is filed with the Office of the City Clerk. Sarah Taylor, Director, Community Safety, Well-Being, Policy and Analytics, also answered questions.

Robin Browne (613/819 Black Hub) spoke before the Committee and provided comments on the item. There were no written submissions.

Committee discussion on this item included the following topics:

- Investing in equity-deserving group stakeholders
- Involvement of the private sector in the Poverty Reduction Strategy
- Avoiding overlap with data collection work in other programs
- Collection of data at the neighbourhood level, including through the 10-Year Housing and Homelessness Plan

- Linking the Community Safety and Well-being Plan (CSWB Plan) to community safety and the Ottawa Police Services' own plans
- Possible health and social population-level indicators such as core housing, primary care, and trust of health institutions
- The CSWB Plan's new youth priority and youth initiatives in priority neighbourhoods
- Alignment of CSWB Plan with the 10-Year Housing and Homelessness Plan
- How a youth forum has been engaged on a youth action plan
- Making dashboards more accessible, such as with plain language

Committee suggested the following ACTIONS:

- That staff engage both the Executive Director, Ottawa Police Services Board, as well as the Ottawa Police Services, on obtaining data sets.
- That staff consider engaging the Indigenous community to determine whether Indigenous policy considerations should be considered separately from the "Equity, diversity and inclusion" lens.

Following discussions, the Committee considered the item recommendation as follows:

Recommendation

That the Community Safety and Well-Being Advisory Committee receive the update and provide feedback as appropriate.

Received

5. Notices of Motions (For Consideration at Subsequent Meeting)

There were no Notices of Motion.

6. Inquiries

There were no Inquiries.

7. Other Business

There was no other business.

8. Adjournment

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 24, 2025

The meeting adjourned at 5:17 pm.

Eric Pelot, Committee Coordinator

Tom D'Amico, Chair