

**ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL  
29 JANUARY 2008**

**ORDER OF THE DAY**

<b>ORDER 7</b>	<b>ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CITY OF PORT PHILLIP HEALTHY &amp; SAFER CITY ALLIANCE</b>
<b>LOCATION/ADDRESS:</b>	
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<b>ATTACHMENTS:</b>	<b>A - ANNUAL REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HEALTH &amp; WELLBEING PLAN B - HEALTHY &amp; SAFER CITIES ALLIANCE - CURRENT AND FORMER MEMBERSHIP C - HEALTHY &amp; SAFER CITIES ALLIANCE - TERMS OF REFERENCE</b>

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**1. KEY ISSUES**

The City of Port Phillip's Healthy & Safer City Alliance has overseen the implementation of the Municipal Public Health & Safety Plan's initiatives since 2000. The annual report of the implementation of the Health & Wellbeing plan is attached as Appendix A. It outlines the activities conducted during the past 6 months, and forecasts the work due in 2008.

**2. CONTEXT**

2.1. Council's previous Municipal Public Health & Safety Plan was released in 1999 with a 20 year scope. Since that time Council has implemented dozens of new health promoting initiatives in partnership with many local agencies and residents. Council launched its new Health & Wellbeing Plan on November 30, 2007.

2.2. The Healthy & Safer Cities Alliance is a group who have provided perspectives and voices from local and regional health and welfare professionals, educators, police, Council, business and residents and worked together to advise on or implement many of the actions from the previous health plan. A PhD study which used the Alliance as a case study of an effective health building coalition concluded that the network offered extra dimensions of accountability, personal and professional support, improved innovation, minimized risk and was able to quickly develop effective interventions that worked across multiple dimensions. Its current and former membership is attached as Appendix B.

- 2.3. Members of the Alliance have noted that it is timely to review the membership and function of the group, now that the new plan has been released.

**3. PROPOSAL**

This report recommends that, at its first meeting in 2008, the Alliance:

- Reviews its terms of reference (The current terms of reference are attached as Appendix C)
- Clarifies its members' roles;
- Reviews its membership, as some agencies have not replaced their representatives, once they left their agency;
- Determines and uses an annual suite of local health & wellbeing indicators to guide its work.

**4. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

There will be no financial or Information Systems implications from this report. The amendments aim to sharpen the focus of the Alliance.

**5. CONCLUSION**

The Alliance continues to serve a valuable coordinating, resource sharing and supervisory role for Council's Health and Wellbeing initiatives. It plans to sharpen its focus as it helps guide the implementation of the new Health & Wellbeing plan.

**6. RECOMMENDATION**

That Council resolves to:

- 6.1. Note the 2007 annual report recommendations.
- 6.2. Continue to support the work of the Alliance with a Councillor representative.
- 6.3. Consider a further report on progress of the Committee in approximately 12 months.