

SAFETY COLLECTIVE TĀMAKI MAKĀURAU | AUCKLAND

Intention to Collaborate

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Background

The Safe Communities model is a “process that creates a local infrastructure to enable community members, community organisations, businesses, local government, government agencies and others with an interest and concern about community safety issues to work together in a coordinated and collaborative way. This process then helps communities to put in place joint activities and projects to address local concerns” (Peters and Mills, 2018)¹.

In June 2016, Auckland Council’s Regional Strategy and Policy Committee resolved for “Auckland to become an accredited Safe Community, and write to the Safe Communities Foundation New Zealand (SCFNZ) to initiate the accreditation process” (REG/2016/33). Accreditation was granted on 4 July 2019 and remains in place for five years.

Representatives from a number of organisations together form the “Safety Collective, Tāmaki Makaurau, Auckland” (the collective).

This document establishes the intention of the collective of collaborate in order to address injury prevention outcomes across Tāmaki Makaurau.

Role of the Collective

The collective will:

- Advocate for and allocate funding and other resources to achieve the Safe Communities vision
- Recognise and advocate for Te Tiriti o Waitangi by enabling Māori to contribute to decision-making to address the inequities between Māori and non-Māori community safety and injury prevention outcomes
- Support and recognise the value of Māori mātauranga, tikanga and approaches in case studies and effective strategies

¹ Peters and Mills, 2018. A guide to developing a safe community.
https://www.safecommunities.org.nz/application/files/5515/3567/6735/Guideline_to_become_a_Safe_Community_2018_VO4.pdf

- Address inequities in community safety and injury prevention outcomes across key demographics (including Māori, Pasifika, gender, age)
- Mandate the strategic direction for implementation, ensuring alignment with other key national and regional community safety and injury prevention priorities, encouraging and where possible adopting innovative and transformational approaches
- Maintain and sustain the Safe Communities model (using the strategic/operational plan as agreed by the collective)
- Utilise strategic relationships to advance the Safe Communities vision and implementation for Auckland
- Communicate and advise on matters relating to the Safe Communities vision, and provide updates on activity to SCFNZ, Auckland Council committee(s), and others
- Influence and advise communities on Safe Communities policies/practices
- Collect and collate data, provide advice and monitor and evaluate the implementation of relevant programmes, policies and projects
- Design and develop guiding documentation

Our benefit to Auckland

The Safety Collective has the vision of keeping Auckland safe and thriving. This means prioritisation on areas where our collective approach can have a real impact on reducing preventable injury and death. Our focus is on outcomes as set out in our Strategic Plan, and we will use the following forms of collective impact to make progress towards them:

- Develop vision and strategy to influence and guide harm minimisation approaches
- Support aligned activities across the Collective and stakeholders including Council, Government, NGOs, and Communities
- Establish shared measurement practices to improve collection, analysis and distribution of key data
- Build public awareness, understanding, and action
- Advance policy support in key areas
- Mobilise funding and resources, particularly into initiatives with a life course and equity focus

Membership

Membership is drawn from agencies with a safety and/or injury prevention priority, operating at a regional level (or sub-regional, as agreed by the relevant body), and is assessed on a regular basis.

Quorum

One half plus one of the current members of the group.

Decision-making process

It is the intention of the collective to make all key decisions by consensus. A communications protocol will guide members on the approach to be taken to external communications, covering (for example) circumstances where not all members are able to participate in those communications.

Frequency of meetings

Meetings will occur as required, but the expectation is quarterly.

Agenda and key/action points

The agenda shall be circulated to members one week prior to the meeting. Key/action points are taken and distributed to all members within one week of each meeting.

Confidentiality

No party will, without the consent of every other party at any time disclose to a third party information concerning the affairs of any other party, or that is otherwise deemed to be confidential by any other party or where such disclosure of information may be subject to the provisions of the Official Information Act 1982.

Conflict of interest

All members agree to state any conflict of interest as matters arise. In general, leave will be given to any member identifying a conflict of interest from participating in discussion and decision-making on any matters associated with that conflict. Conflicts are to be managed between the member and the chair. No member will use membership in a way that could reasonably give rise to the expectation of financial gain by the member or bring the group into disrepute.