

## **10.5 CRIME PREVENTION PLAN UPDATE - ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment Titles:

1. Crime Prevention Plan 2020-2025 Actions

**Attachment 1 - crime-prevention-plan-2020-2025 Actions**

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## Action Plan

Actions for this plan are drawn from our analysis of what we heard during consultation and are clustered under the four aspirations for this plan. Special attention is given to the four priority crime categories identified during analysis: Vehicle Crime, Break and Enters, Domestic Violence and Drugs and Alcohol.

**1. Reduce Opportunities for Criminal Offending**

Strategy	Action	Desired Outcome	Measures	Responsibility	Funding	Timeframe	Comments 2023-2024
<b>Improve pedestrian lighting in main streets and car parking areas:</b>	As part of lighting upgrades with Essential Energy – conduct an audit of pedestrian lighting in and around main streets and residential areas to identify a priority schedule of improvements to address particular problem 'dark areas'.	Improved visibility and heightened natural surveillance in main streets and residential areas at night.	Audit of lighting completed.  Priority schedule of improvements identified and scheduled.	<b>Lead:</b> Snowy Valleys Council <b>Partner:</b> Essential Energy	Subject to Funding	2020-2025	Works to improve lighting along high pedestrian areas has been undertaken including as part of the Pioneer Park upgrade.
<b>Increase surveillance in main streets and car parking areas:</b>	Partner with Police and consult with the Chamber of Commerce to explore options to fund the installation and ongoing operation of CCTV in main streets.	Improved surveillance at business and retail premises within the region.	Consultation completed.	<b>Lead:</b> Snowy Valleys Council & NSW Police <b>Partners:</b> Local Businesses	Subject to Funding	2020	POLICE: Police happy to meet with the chamber of commerce, meetings have been scheduled. Meetings held with Coordinator Open Space & Facilities from Council re: CCTV options / placement advice.  Council - arranged the attendance of Police at the Tumbarumba Chamber and Business Snowy Valleys (Tumut Chamber) meetings to discuss crime in the region and encourage business operators to install CCTV. Resources sent to all business chamber members.
<b>Plan and design Council-controlled public spaces and facilities with attention to safety and security:</b>	Conduct site-audits of Council-controlled public spaces (including open spaces, facilities and amenities) against CPTED principles to identify where improvements can be made.	Increased perceptions of safety in Council-controlled public spaces.	# of site audits completed.  Priority schedule of improvements identified and scheduled.	<b>Lead:</b> Snowy Valleys Council	Subject to Funding	2020-2025	Design works follow CPTED principles with works based around funding availability

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<b>Plan and design Council-controlled public spaces and facilities with attention to safety and security:</b>	During planned upgrades of Council's amenities, use CPTED public toilet models to identify where improvements can be made.	Safe, secure and functional toilets and amenities in the region.	# of vandalism events in Council toilets and amenities.	<b>Lead:</b> Snowy Valleys Council	Subject to Funding	2020-2025	Vandalism rates continuing to increase and impact on budgets and service levels of assets.
	Provide ongoing Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) training to Council staff overseeing the planning and design of public spaces and new developments.	Increased knowledge of CPTED principles amongst Council staff.	% of staff successfully completing training.	<b>Lead:</b> Snowy Valleys Council	Subject to Funding	As required	February 2024 - funds will be allocated for this training in the upcoming 2024-25 training plan with participants to be determined by the Manager Technical Services.
<b>Reduce the opportunities for motor vehicle theft and theft from cars:</b>	Reduce opportunities for motor vehicle theft by supporting Police with awareness raising campaigns and disseminating information on car security measures through the SVC website.	Increased awareness of the need to lock vehicles	# of website views # of theft from vehicle offences	<b>Lead:</b> NSW Police <b>Support &amp; Promote:</b> Snowy Valleys Council	Subject to funding	As required	<p>The SV Crime Prevention Plan is available on council's website and emergency police contact details are also published online. Council is committed to supporting known police campaigns through sharing of their generated social media posts and messaging as required.</p> <p>POLICE: Weekly police talks on local radio. Regular police contributions to the local paper. Constantly updating the Police 'eyewatch' - facebook page</p> <p>New Community Safety content was made live on the SVC website in November 2023. It features links to the NSW Police website's crime prevention page. Topics include Vehicle Theft Total website views from June 2023 to December 2023 were 34,844 Community Safety messaging will be included in SVC's social media calendar for 2024.</p>

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<b>Reduce the opportunities for motor vehicle theft and theft from cars:</b>	Use CPTED principles when reviewing relevant development applications to ensure lighting in car parking areas will comply with Australian Standards.	New developments within the region comply with lighting standards.	# of developments that meet lighting standards	<b>Lead:</b> Snowy Valleys Council <b>Partners:</b> Local Businesses / Retailers	Existing	Ongoing	Developments approved by Council meeting required standards and opportunities for enhancement in line with other works are taken
	Investigate opportunities for activating places for young people across the region.	Engaged and occupied youth.	# of activation activities delivered	<b>Lead:</b> Snowy Valleys Council	Subject to Funding	2020-2021	Council undertakes School holiday programming to provide youth activities and to activate space for youth.
<b>Engage youth in local activities and events as a diversion from criminal activity and anti-social behaviour:</b>	Identify opportunities to support and promote programs undertaken by community partners that are aimed at diverting high risk youth.	Engaged, occupied and informed youth.	# of supporting actions undertaken	<b>Lead:</b> Local Schools and Community Groups <b>Support &amp; Promote:</b> Snowy Valleys Council NSW Police	Subject to Funding	Ongoing	POLICE: Regular participation by local police at school events and with the Clontarf and Stars programs.
	Regularly examine BOSCAR's release of LGA crime statistics.	Quick response to emerging trends and community concerns.	Evidence-based awareness of current crime levels in the region	<b>Lead:</b> Snowy Valleys Council	Existing	Ongoing	October 2023 - BOSCAR hotspot mapping of 22-23 Malicious Property Damage (Graffiti) reviewed. 3 hotspots were identified in the LGA. These were overlaid with current streetlighting no spatial correlation detected between MPD locations and Streetlighting
<b>Continue to monitor and identify emerging crime trends, issues and hotspots in the Snowy Valleys Region:</b>	Regularly engage with Police to collect current localised information and identify opportunities for SVC to support Police efforts.	Strengthened relationships with SVC Police.	# of meetings attended	<b>Partners:</b> NSW Police & Snowy Valleys Council	Existing	Ongoing	POLICE: Twice yearly Community Safety Precinct meetings with SVC councillors looking at crime trends

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<p><b>Continue to monitor and identify emerging crime trends, issues and hotspots in the Snowy Valleys Region:</b></p>	<p>Develop improved reporting systems within Council to monitor, manage and maintain Council data on the operation of Council-controlled CCTV and the number and nature of vandalism and graffiti events.</p>	<p>Improved awareness of the volume and nature of events within SVC-managed spaces, including associated costs.</p>	<p>Accurate and accessible count of events occurring within Council-managed spaces in the region. Accurate \$ estimate of costs to repair vandalism, remove graffiti and operate cameras in Council-managed spaces.</p>	<p><b>Lead:</b> Snowy Valleys Council</p>	<p>Subject to funding</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>The total cost to Council to repair vandal related damage to Council facilities in 2022/2023 was: \$23,147</p> <p>Costs incurred can be identified through task allocation and repair works.</p> <p>Snowy Valleys Council has a total of 68 Public Amenities facilities located across the Local Government Area (LGA). Of these 11 have been identified as "High or Very High Risk" facilities prone to vandalism.</p> <p>Council also has a total of 24 playground facilities located across the LGA. Of these, five (5) have been identified as "High or Very High Risk" facilities prone to vandalism</p>

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2. Increased Community Confidence and Heightened Perceptions of Safety

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<b>Create physical environments where people feel safe:</b>	As part of lighting upgrades with Essential Energy – conduct an audit of lighting in and around main streets and residential areas to identify a priority schedule of improvements to address particular problem 'dark areas'.	Improved visibility and heightened natural surveillance in main streets and residential areas at night.	Audit of lighting completed  Priority schedule of improvements identified and scheduled.	<b>Lead:</b> Snowy Valleys Council <b>Partner:</b> Essential Energy	Subject to Funding	2020-2025	Desktop audit of streetlight locations conducted October 2023
	Conduct site-audits of Council-controlled public spaces (including open spaces, facilities and amenities) against CPTED principles to identify where improvements can be made.	Increased perceptions of safety in Council-controlled public spaces.	# of site audits completed  Priority schedule of improvements identified and scheduled.	<b>Lead:</b> Snowy Valleys Council	Subject to Funding	2020-2025	Design works follow CPTED principles with works based around funding availability
	Support the allocation of Council resources for the timely repair of vandalism and removal of graffiti in high visibility areas of Council maintained property.	Tidy and appealing appearance of SVC parks, streets and amenities maintained.	% of high visibility graffiti incidents removed within 2-3 days	<b>Lead:</b> Snowy Valleys Council	Existing	Ongoing	Graffiti removal is actioned as efficiently as possible with resources available
	Implement activities that encourage activation and community use of public places.	Increased surveillance in public spaces.	# of cultural activities delivered	<b>Lead:</b> Snowy Valleys Council	Subject to Funding	2020-2021	Council lead a series of activities and events to engage community and particularly youth to encourage the use of public spaces. Approximately 20 separate activities per year

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<p><b>Raise awareness of ways that residents can reduce the risk of victimisation (such as car theft and burglary):</b></p>	<p>In partnership with Police, increase public awareness of ways to minimise risk of victimisation (eg. through SVC website / social media).</p>	<p>Improved awareness and knowledge of crime prevention strategies.</p>	<p># of items posted # of webpage views</p>	<p><b>Lead:</b> NSW Police <b>Partner:</b> Snowy Valleys Council</p>	<p>Existing</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>The SV Crime Prevention Plan is available on council's website and emergency police contact details are also published online. Council is committed to supporting known police campaigns through sharing of their generated social media posts and messaging as required.</p> <p>New Community Safety content was made live on the SVC website in November 2023. It features links to the NSW Police website's crime prevention page topics which include Vehicle Theft, Rural Crime, Personal Safety and Home Safety. Total website views from June 2023 to December 2023 were 34,844. Community Safety messaging will be included in SVC's social media calendar for 2024.</p> <p>POLICE: Every Friday at 9:15am on 96.3FM - Sounds of the Mountains, police do a radio talk focusing on crime prevention.</p>
<p><b>Monitor Community Perceptions of Safety to identify and address emerging concerns:</b></p>	<p>Approach SVC residents every 2-3 years to understand community concerns and perceptions of crime in the region through a community survey.</p>	<p>Improved awareness of community perceptions and concerns about crime and safety.</p>	<p>Increased ratings of safety in survey of residents (compared to benchmark).</p>	<p><b>Lead:</b> Snowy Valleys Council <b>Partner:</b> NSW Police</p>	<p>Subject to Funding</p>	<p>2023</p>	<p>A 'Perception of Safety' question will be included in the next community satisfaction survey – planned for April 2024</p> <p>POLICE: Regular coffee with a cop events in all towns across the Snowy Valleys Cluster in partnership with Councils Road Safety Officer</p>

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3. Enhanced Partnerships and Collaboration

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<b>Increase collaboration and coordination between government and community groups working to reduce the incidence and effect of crime:</b>	Schedule a regular agenda at the quarterly Interagency Meeting to specifically focus on crime prevention	Provide opportunities for inter-agency networking, and awareness raising. Improved collaboration on crime prevention activities information sharing, training, education	# of meetings held # of groups attending	<b>Lead:</b> Snowy Valleys Council (Convenor) <b>Partners:</b> NSW Police; Community Groups and Government agencies	Subject to funding	2020-2025	Crime prevention is discussed at quarterly interagency meetings organised by Council  POLICE: Community safety precinct meetings
<b>Support local initiatives which aim to reduce the incidence of family violence, child abuse and elder abuse</b>	Identify opportunities to support local initiatives which address family violence, child abuse and elder abuse	Strengthened and integrated approach to raising awareness of family violence in the community	# of information sessions, inter-agency events and campaigns held on domestic and family violence within the region	<b>Lead:</b> State and Community Groups  <b>Partner:</b> NSW Police  <b>Support &amp; Promote:</b> Snowy Valleys Council	Subject to funding	Ongoing	POLICE: Regular engagements and communication between police and Tumut Regional Family Services and Cooee Cottage
<b>Support community initiatives which aim to minimise the harm from alcohol and drug addiction:</b>	Continue to manage and review the provision of alcohol-free zones in the region.	Discourage anti-social drinking behaviour and provide safe and enjoyable open places for the community to use.	# of reports of alcohol-related issues in public spaces	<b>Lead:</b> Snowy Valleys Council	Existing	Ongoing	Alcohol free zones were in place from 2020 to June 2024  Council have undertaken a review of the alcohol free zones in the Snowy Valleys and reinstated the previous zones from June 2024 onwards
	Identify opportunities to support and promote locally-led community programs which address drug and alcohol education	Increased awareness of the harms arising from drug and alcohol abuse amongst youth in the region.	# of programs delivered by community groups	<b>Lead:</b> State and Community Groups  <b>Partner:</b> NSW Police  <b>Support &amp; Promote:</b> Snowy Valleys Council	Subject to funding	Ongoing	Council Road Safety Officer has a presence at events which undertakes breath-testing to reduce drink-driving  POLICE: Regular licensed premises inspections by police and patrols of events where drugs and alcohol are an issue.
	Continue to support and assist the local Liquor Accord to promote responsible drinking behaviour.	Responsible drinking behaviour amongst youth and local community.	# of meetings attended	<b>Lead:</b> Liquor Accord Partners  <b>Support &amp; Promote:</b> NSW Police, Snowy Valleys Council	Subject to funding	Ongoing	POLICE: Regular licensed premises inspections by police and patrols of events where drugs and alcohol are an issue.



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4. Engaged and Informed Community

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Support neighbourhood based initiatives which increase the opportunity for neighbours to connect and reduce the risk of criminal activity	Find opportunities to raise awareness and engagement in neighbourhood-based crime prevention initiatives (such as Neighbourhood Watch groups and Crime Stopper Activities)	<p>Increased participation in neighbourhood crime prevention initiatives</p> <p>Increased surveillance within neighbourhoods</p> <p>Increased neighbourhood cohesion and response to crime risks</p>	<p>Amount of active participation in neighbourhood crime-prevention initiatives</p> <p># of reports of suspicious or criminal activity made to police by neighbours or residents</p> <p>Residents ratings of safety (compared to benchmark)</p>	<p>Lead: Local Community Groups (eg. Neighbourhood Watch)</p> <p>Partner: NSW Police</p> <p>Support &amp; Promote: Snowy Valleys Council</p>	Subject to funding	Ongoing	POLICE: Maintaing the police eyewatch page - Facebook
	Encourage local residents to take ownership of their neighbourhood safety and increase their use of parks and spaces	<p>Greater natural surveillance in neighbourhood parks and spaces</p> <p>Increased neighbourhood cohesion and response to crime risks</p>	<p># of neighbourhood-initiated events held in local parks and spaces</p> <p>Residents ratings of safety (compared to benchmark)</p>	<p>Lead: Local Community Groups (eg. Neighbourhood Watch)</p> <p>Partner: NSW Police</p> <p>Support &amp; Promote: Snowy Valleys Council</p>	Subject to funding	Ongoing	POLICE: Promoted on social media, and other forms of media - local radio, papers etc.

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