

Office of the Commissioner Community and Health Services Department

## **MEMORANDUM**

То:	Regional Chair Emmerson and Members of Regional Council
From:	Katherine Chislett Commissioner of Community and Health Services
Date:	May 12, 2022
Re:	May Committee of the Whole Agenda Item G.2.1 - Community Safety and Well-Being Plan for York Region

This memo is a follow up to a discussion at the May 5, 2022, Committee of the Whole meeting regarding focus areas in the proposed Community Safety and Well-Being Plan for York Region (Plan) and the need for dedicated Provincial funding to implement the Plan.

## Staff recommend Council adopt the attached revised Plan, which incorporates the corrected boundaries for the focus areas in Newmarket and Richmond Hill

In the <u>Plan tabled with Committee on May 5, 2022</u>, additional adjacent locations were mistakenly included in the focus areas for Newmarket and Richmond Hill. Staff have corrected this error (Attachment 1), and the adjusted focus areas are reflected in the updated proposed Plan attached to this memo. The updated focus areas align with what Council had approved as part of establishing the Community Action Tables in <u>May 2021</u>.

Changes were made to the focus area map Figure 1.6 (page 35) and Appendices 1 to 4 (pages 46 to 63). Changes in the appendices include: updates to the introductory pages 46 to 47 to incorporate the corrected focus areas; revisions to pages 52 to 53 (Newmarket) and 56 to 57 (Richmond Hill) to show the corrected focus areas and adjust the statistics accordingly; and updates to pages 48 and 60 to incorporate the revised insert of the full focus area map.

## It is recommended the Regional Chair request dedicated Provincial funding to implement the Plan

While the Region has taken proactive steps and developed partnerships to support implementation of the Plan, including providing tax levy funding for staff resources, no dedicated Provincial funding to support Community Safety and Well-Being Plans has been identified or committed. Pursuant to the direction at Committee of the Whole, it is also recommended that the following be added as Recommendation #4 in the May 5, 2022 report:

"The Province be requested to provide dedicated Provincial funding to the Region to implement the Plan and that the Regional Chair convey this in a letter to the Solicitor General on behalf of Council."

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Attachments (1) eDOCS #13876621