

## COMMUNIQUÉ

### PPSCN BOARD MEETING

Wednesday 22 May 2019 (USA/Canada)/ Thursday 23 May 2019 (NZ/Australia) 2019

#### About the PPSCN

The PPSCN includes representatives from Australia, New Zealand, United States of America and Canada. There are in excess of 60 Safe Communities in the network. For more information on the PPSCN visit <http://www.ppscn.org/>

#### Who is on the PPSCN Board?

Board members are:

**Australia:** Stan Salagaras, Meegan Brotherton,  
**New Zealand:** Tania Peters, Tessa Sturley, Laurie Gabites  
**USA:** Steve Sparrow, Dan Martin, Genia McKee  
**Canada:** Greg Hart

The Secretariat is: Genia McKee, Tracey Earl

Click [here](#) to read the Bios of the board members and secretariat

#### Key Outcomes from the Board Meeting

- PPSCN Board unanimously approved Minutes from 27/28 February 2019 board meeting
- PPSCN Board unanimously approved that in country elections would be held from 29 May to 2 July with in country nominations to be notified to Meegan Brotherton by 2 July 2019.
- PPSCN Board unanimously approved that notice for 2019 AGM would be sent out by 2 July 2019. Discussion on date of AGM, may be scheduled earlier but no later than Wednesday 7 August 2019 at 9:00am (Australian CST time)/ 6 August 2019 (USA)
- PPSCN Board unanimously approved the Code of Conduct that was developed by Meegan Brotherton and Stan Salagaras
- PPSCN Board continued discussion and encouraged continued development of a strategic action plan for Community to Community networking opportunities. Genia, Stan and Laurie are working on the draft strategic action plan.
- [Latest webinar](#): **INSPIRE**: Seven strategies for ending violence against children a World Health Organization package
- Congratulations to our new communities, Liverpool (Australia), Ashburton (New Zealand) and to Palmerston North, New Zealand on their reaccreditation. See more information about them on the next page.

# Liverpool, New South Wales, Australia



**Population:** 217,736  
**Accreditation:** 7 March 2019

## CHAIR'S MESSAGE

As both Liverpool's Mayor and the Chair of the Liverpool Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee, I am proud to be a part of the journey we have undertaken in Liverpool to become accredited as a Pan Pacific Safe Community.

This application showcases the unique issues facing Liverpool City and the projects we have undertaken to combat them. We are a city with a proud history stretching all the way back to 1810 when we were founded as an agricultural centre by then Governor Lachlan Macquarie. Today we are one of the fastest growing local government areas in New South Wales, with rapid economic expansion facilitating our contribution of almost two percent of the state's total gross product. We are currently the third largest regional city in Sydney and will continue to grow into the Central Business District ('CBD') in Sydney's South West. This expansion is expected to influence our population density which is on track to reach over 330,000 residents by 2036 comprised of over 150 nations and cultures. This substantial growth is not only facilitating the creation of jobs and development within the area but also highlighting the requirement that community safety be at the forefront of our minds when designing and overseeing the future of our great city.

This application process has provided the framework for us to expand our commitment to safety and influence the future structure of our community. Our holistic approach recognises that it is not just safety but the perception of safety which is of paramount importance as we aim toward improving the well-being of residents and visitors alike.

Liverpool City Council is proud to be one of the driving forces behind establishing partnerships between government and non-government agencies so as to collaboratively build a better, safer, and happier future for our city.

### Mayor Wendy Waller

*Chairperson – Liverpool Community Safety and Crime Prevention Advisory Committee*

For further information on Liverpool's application visit <http://safecommunities.net.au/index.php/accredited-safe-communities>



*L-R Superintendent Adam Whyte, Commander Liverpool City PAC, Meegan Brotherton (ASCF), Mayor Wendy Waller*

## Palmerston North, New Zealand



**Population:**117,600

**Reaccreditation:**19 March 2019 (Accredited 2014)

### **MAYOR'S MESSAGE**

Palmerston North celebrates its small city advantages of a great quality of life and strong community connection, while at the same time offering the lifestyle, education and business opportunities available in much larger cities. Safety is foundational to enjoying these many benefits of our city.

The Council is committed to increasing and promoting safety in a range of areas, including the design of public places, city streets, lighting, readiness for natural disaster, alcohol-related harm, and family/whānau well-being. The Council will work with the Safety Advisory Board and a wide range of partners to promote safe communities, and to decrease the risk of harm in the community. We will work hard to maintain Safe Community accreditation by working in partnership with others to continue making Palmerston North City a safer place to live. If we work cross-sectorally between service providers and government agencies we can have a greater collective impact, ensuring no one in our community falls through the gaps.

For these reasons, I am pleased to support this application to maintain our Safe Community accreditation. This accreditation means that we have the processes in place to enable iwi, communities, businesses, local government, government agencies and others to work together in a coordinated and collaborative way. This is a milestone for the City that we should all celebrate, especially those involved in safety programming within our City. **Grant Smith Mayor of Palmerston North**

### **Message from Rangitāne O Manawatū**

We are Mana whenua of o Papaioea (Palmerston North City). Rangitāne o Manawatū are kaitiaki of the City and it is our cultural responsibility to up hold the spiritual and physical wellbeing of all within its boundaries. We are working together with the Safe Community network, to champion changes and encourage positive programming that is working towards safety in all our Community. We work as partners on the Safety Advisory Board which has an important place in the collaborative network that has potential to make a positive difference in the lives of all our people. **Nā, Wiremu Kingi Te Awe Awe , Rangitāne Kaumatua**

*Nau te rourou, maku te rourou ka ora ae te Iwi.  
(With your basket of knowledge and our basket of knowledge our people will flourish.)*

For further information on Palmerston North application visit <https://www.safecommunities.org.nz/safe-community-networks/palmerston-north-international-safe-community>

## Ashburton District, New Zealand



**Population:**34,100

**Accreditation:**29 May 2019

As Mayor of Ashburton District, I have great pleasure in supporting this application for accreditation as a Safe Community. This application is the result of a collaboration across a broad range of community, government and Council groups.

Community safety is important to the people of Ashburton District – consultation on the Long Term Plan told us that community safety ranked second highest out of eight areas where the community thought Council should be prioritising its spending in the future. The Council’s vision for Ashburton District is “the district of choice for lifestyle and opportunity”. Being a “Safe Community” and committing to work together to actively improve community safety in all its aspects will make a hugely positive difference to people living, working and playing in Ashburton District.

Ashburton is the 6th best district for business and 12th best for quality of life. It would be great to have Ashburton as the number 1 safest and most collaborative district. Alone we can do so little – together we can do so much. **Donna Favel Mayor, Ashburton District**

As Chair of the Safe Communities Ashburton District Steering Group, I have great pleasure in presenting this application for accreditation as a Safe Community. The Steering Group is made up of 27 agencies which are involved in a wide range of community safety activities, including education, first response, health, government departments and local social and community services.

While a number of networks already exist in Ashburton District, they tend to have a singular focus and many agencies operate alone in promoting community safety. The Steering Group has provided an opportunity to take a district-wide, strategic overview, and to collectively identify and begin to address community safety issues. While we regard our place as a “safe” community, we could be “safer”- falls in older people, road crashes, family harm and theft are issues for us.

Together we will strive to make Ashburton District a safer place to live, work and play, free from preventable injury and violence. We thank Ashburton District Council, ACC and Safer Ashburton for their support of this project. **Councillor Liz McMillan**

For further information on Ashburton application visit <https://www.safecommunities.org.nz/safe-community-networks/ashburton-district>

