

Kyogle Council

Crime Prevention Policy



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The Policy

Title

This document is the Kyogle Council Crime Prevention Policy.

Validity

This report gains its validity from Council Resolution 280512/28.

Strategic Objective

The Crime Prevention Policy for Kyogle LGA guides Council's direction to support communities to be safe places to live, work, play and learn.

Kyogle Council aims to be an active participant in the reduction of crime and antisocial behaviour by using a systematic approach to crime prevention which involves the identification and analysis of actual or potential crime associated with the following

- Vandalism
- Theft
- Violence

Kyogle Council aims to work with communities, service providers and police to address crime and antisocial behaviour across all ages, genders and cultures.

Links to the Community Strategic Plan Key Strategic Priorities

Governance and Community Service

- Encourage public participation and provide access opportunities for the recognition of community needs and expectations and develop appropriate lines of communication to ensure that the public is kept well informed

Village Life

- Promote a strong sense of community
- Coordinate and support safe, accessible and secure services and facilities
- Support social and recreational clubs and organisations throughout the area
- Provide a safe and pleasant atmosphere in Council's parks, gardens and recreation areas and pursue their steady improvement
- Support, promote and initiate cultural activities within the Kyogle area

Economic Development

- Assist and coordinate the ongoing development of Kyogle Council area and

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enhance and market its capacity as a location for residential opportunities, primary production, industry, commerce, government services and tourism.

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Kyogle Council will work towards providing a safe and secure environment for its community by:

- Working collaboratively with communities, community groups, service providers and businesses to develop responses to crime concerns as part of the Community Strategic Plan and Annual Planning processes
- Ensuring all activities conducted under this policy conform with all other adopted Council Policies and planning documents such as the Local Environment Plan, Social Plan and Economic Development Plan
- Utilising “Crime Prevention through Environmental Design” planning principles when assessing Development Applications
- Fostering cross-departmental communications, and works programs to develop early intervention responses and preventative strategies that reduce the incidence of crime.
- Participating in consultations, planning, project implementation, evaluation and monitoring of projects driven and resourced by the NSW Police Service, NSW Attorney Generals Department or other third parties whose actions have a positive impact on crime prevention and reduction.
- Utilising the Council Newsletter to advise of Council works projects including :
 - maintenance and upgrades of Parks, gardens and recreation areas,
 - street lighting
 - facilities maintenance
- Utilising the Council newsletter to promote NSW Police Service and other agency initiatives that have a positive impact on crime reduction
- Utilising the incident reporting process to ensure all criminal and antisocial behaviours are reported to police and follow-up is documented.
- Participating in youth justice conferencing, mediation, circle sentencing and other diversionary processes when Council is a victim of crime
- Registering as a Work Order overseer to manage offenders who are eligible to conduct community work as part of their Court Orders
- Reviewing the Kyogle Council Crime Prevention and Safety Plan every five years and seek funding to implement identified actions, if funding is required.