

# Safer Napier Strategy

## 2017 - 2021

Napier is a safe and healthy city

**Safer Napier**



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## Introduction

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Napier is a vibrant coastal city that enjoys a lot of sunshine, a diverse culture and is a popular tourist location for both national and international visitors. People from Napier are proud of their community and strive to make it an even better place to live, work and visit. Safety is continually identified by Napier citizens as a high priority and as such is reflected in Napier's Council and Community Outcomes.

As part of Napier's commitment to improving community safety it was accredited as an International Safe Community in August 2010 and re-accredited in March 2016. This is a World Health Organization (WHO) concept that recognises safety as "a universal concern and a responsibility for all". This approach to community safety encourages greater cooperation and collaboration between non-government organisations, the business sector, and local and central government agencies.

Since accreditation, Safer Napier has achieved many outcomes and in 2016 gained international recognition by winning the 'World Health Organization Western Pacific Regional Office Healthy Cities Recognition for Violence and Injury Prevention award'. Safer Napier is an 'umbrella' for over 60 initiatives and projects and takes a strengths based approach to support families, neighbourhoods and to address safety issues.

This strategy focuses on five key areas – injury prevention, crime prevention, road safety, community resilience and addiction related harm. Focus areas are set based on both community feedback and statistical evidence.

## Structure

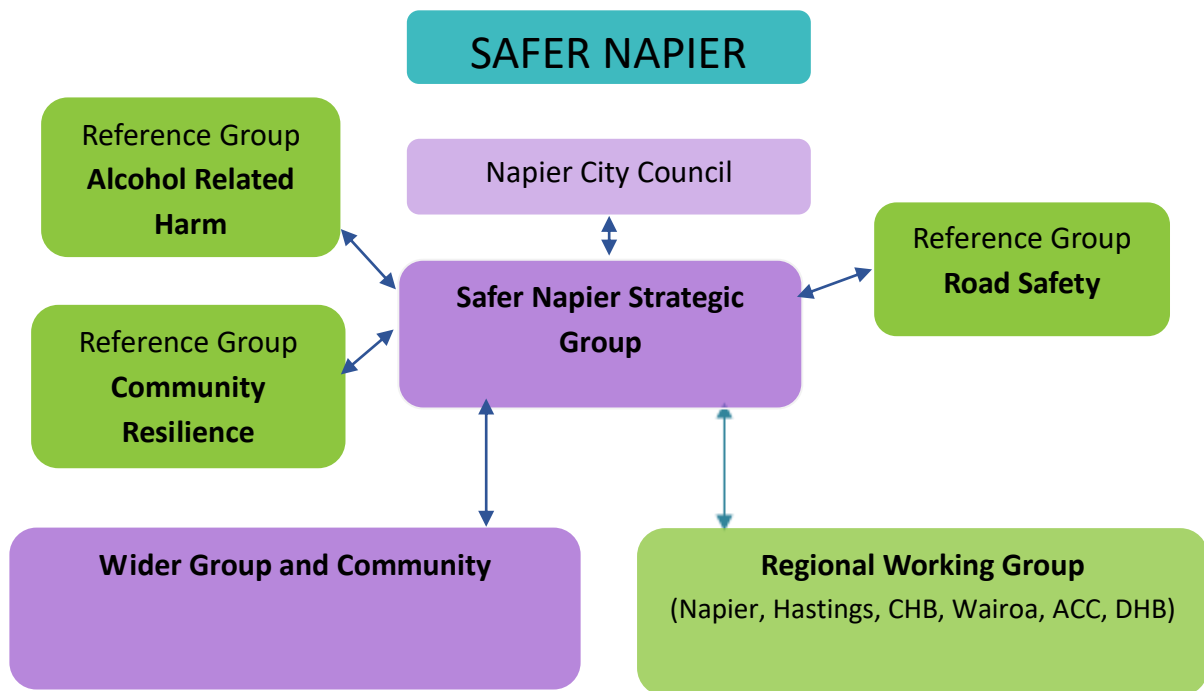
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Safer Napier is made up of a diverse group of agencies, organisations and community groups all working together to improve community safety. Forty three groups signed the Safer Napier Memorandum of Commitment (Appendix A). Napier City Council is the lead agency and the programme is governed by the Safer Napier Strategic Group (SNSG) through a Terms of Reference (Appendix B). This is a cross-sector group of government agencies and key organisations<sup>1</sup>. They are supported by reference groups, a wider collection of relevant agencies and organisations, input from the community and target groups, plus other safe communities nationally and internationally.

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<sup>1</sup> Members as at January 2017: Accident Compensation Corporation, Hawke's Bay District Health Board, Hawke's Bay Regional Council, Health Hawke's Bay, Housing New Zealand Corporation, Ministry of Social Development, Napier City Council, Napier City Business Inc, NZ Automobile Association, NZ Fire Service, NZ Police, NZ Red Cross, Te Puni Kōkiri, RoadSafe Hawke's Bay, Roopu a Iwi Trust and Te Kupenga Hauora – Ahuriri.





## Principles

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The following principles guide the implementation of this strategy:

- **Commitment to contribute** - the whole community plays a role in crime prevention, injury prevention, road safety, addiction related harm and community resilience
- **Collaboration and coordination** - central and local government, Iwi, non-government organisations, community organisations and safety networks work together for the benefit of the community
- **Proactive action** - where possible anticipate and respond to issues within Napier
- **Integrity** – treat each other with respect, honesty and fairness.



# Strategic Links

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## International Safe Communities

Safer Napier is an accredited International Safe Community and part of an international network of designated safe communities. This includes the Safe Community Foundation of New Zealand, the Pan Pacific Safe Communities Network (New Zealand, Australia, United States of America and Canada) and globally.

Safer Napier is due for re-accreditation in 2021.

## Local, Regional and National Links

Safer Napier stakeholders bring their local agency knowledge and relevant national and regional strategies to the table. The programme is guided by a range of national, regional and local strategies, plans and policies (Appendix C).

# Review

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This Strategy will be reviewed every five years in line with Safe Communities re-accreditation timeframes. The next review will begin in 2021. The implementation plan and annual activities will be revisited each year to ensure they remain relevant and reflect new or emerging issues.



# Our Strategy

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## Our vision:

Napier is a safe and healthy city

## Our goals:

- Goal 1: People are injury free in Napier
- Goal 2: Napier is free from crime
- Goal 3: Napier roads are safe for all
- Goal 4: People in Napier keep themselves safe
- Goal 5: Napier is free from addiction related harm

## Our Napier:

- Everyone works together to improve community safety
- We connect with each other
- Our children are happy and healthy
- Our spaces and places are safe
- Our businesses are buzzing
- We love our community



## Appendix A: Safer Napier Memorandum of Commitment

# Safer Napier Memorandum of Commitment

6 November 2015



### Memorandum of Commitment

1. **Definition**  
A Memorandum of Commitment (MOC) is an agreement between "parties" that sets the terms of how they will conduct themselves towards each other and for what purpose.
2. **Parties Defined**  
Parties are defined as key officials of local and central government agencies and key representatives of community organisations.
3. **Purpose**  
The signatories agree to be part of the Safer Napier International Safe Community programme and work together to improve community safety in Napier.
4. **Terms of the Relationship**
  - a) Each party agrees to act in accordance to the principles of the Commitment.
  - b) Each party agrees to participate in the relationship in a collaborative manner.
5. **Principles**  
The following list of principles acts as the defined rules of engagement for signatories:
  - a. **Commitment to contribute**  
The whole community has a role to play in crime prevention, injury prevention, road safety, alcohol related harm and community resilience.
  - b. **Collaboration and Coordination**  
Central and local government, Iwi, non-government organisations, community organisations and safety networks work together for the benefit of the community.
  - c. **Proactive Action**  
Where possible, signatories anticipate and respond to issues within Napier. Innovate thinking to create solutions is encouraged.
  - d. **Integrity**  
All signatories will treat each other with respect, honesty and fairness.
6. **Duration of MOC**  
The duration of the MOC shall be five years from the date of signing this document.
7. **Termination of Clause**  
Any party can terminate their membership of the MOC at any time. Notice of termination must be in writing and signed by the party member.
8. **Context**  
The Memorandum of Commitment is not a legal document but a mutual agreement of intent.
9. **Signing of Parties**

I have read the Memorandum and understand its contents and agree to adhere to the purpose and principles of commitment in relation to the Safe Communities Napier Committee by signing my name, designation and date.

 Bill Dalton Mayor Napier City Council	 Sally Phelps Community Injury Prevention Consultant Accident Compensation Corporation	 Morag Hill Manager Age Concern Napier	 Hilda Hurinui Secretary Ahuriri Maori Wardens Trust	 Figh Lowe Coordinator Alcohol Action Hawke's Bay	 Dave Halliday Board Chairperson Citizens Advice Bureau	 Tom Ringrose Chief Executive Officer Disability Resource Centre Hawkes Bay Trust	 Malcolm Byford Manager DOVE Hawke's Bay	 Kevin Atkinson Board Chairperson Hawke's Bay District Health Board
 Wj Orosly Health Promotion Coordinator Health Hawke's Bay - Te Whanganui-a-Hauke's Bay	 Andrew Cairns Area Manager Hawkes Bay Housing New Zealand Corporation	 Wetske Coo Board Chairperson Ka Hao Te Hanganatahi Trust	 Kara Duncan-Hewitt Consultant & Facilitator Liberty	 Christine Kidwell Chairperson Mataruahau Maori Wardens	 Marilyn Scott Director of Education, Hawke's Bay Ministry of Education	 Annie Aranz Acting Regional Commissioner Ministry of Social Development	 Ram Roy Vice President Multicultural Association Hawke's Bay Incorp	 Rachel Tovey Chairperson Napier City Council Youth Council
 Marcus Hayes-Jones Napier Emergency Management Officer Napier Civil Defence	 Sandy Ibbotson Manager Napier Community Patrol	 Ribi Kempster Regional Disability Advisor Napier Disability Advisory Group	 Kathryn Curran Chief Executive Officer Napier Family Centre	 Tony Franklin-Ross Reverend Napier-James City Covenanted Churches	 Dave Fellows Board Chairperson Napier Neighbourhood Support	 Shane Gibson Secretary Napier Safety Trust	 Chris Nicholl Area Manager / Commander New Zealand Fire Service	 Andrew Sloan Inspector New Zealand Police
 Debbie Gillen Community Services Manager New Zealand Red Cross	 Colin Goble Senior Engineer New Zealand Transport Agency	 Anli Plumpton Firinal Baptist Church	 Tanya Jain Community Services Leader Punklet Hawke's Bay	 Linda Anderson Regional Manager Road Safe Hawke's Bay	 Maureen Mui Chief Executive Officer Roopu A Iwi Trust	 Brendon Hutchinson Heretaunga Territory Manager St John's Central Region	 Lynda Otter Community Engagement Team Leader Salvation Army	 Roger Coleman Operations Manager Sport Hawke's Bay
 Debbie Moodie Club Support Officer Surf Lifesaving New Zealand	 Audrey Robin Chief Executive Officer Te Kupenga Hauora Ahuriri	 Monique Heke Advisor Te Puni Kōkiri	 Minnie Ratima Chairperson Tū Tangata Maraenui Trust	 Caroline Lampp General Manager Whatever It Takes Trust	 Renata Lehmann Manager Volunteering Hawke's Bay	 Mark Wilson Director Zeal Hawke's Bay		

Witnessed By

Councillor Maxine Boag

## Appendix B: Safer Napier Strategic Group Terms of Reference

### Safer Napier Strategic Group Terms of Reference

#### Purpose

To provide leadership, guidance and support for the Safer Napier programme which aims to improve community safety in Napier through collaboration and action.

#### Objectives

- To work together and partner with others who contribute to improving community safety in the Napier community
- To develop and implement strategic goals and facilitate or implement actions to achieve them
- To proactively share skills, resources, information, ideas and experience to increase safety in Napier
- To oversee the Safer Napier programme and meet the requirements of the Safe Communities accreditation programme – including a strategic plan, annual action plan and annual report incorporating community feedback, research and statistical data.

#### Safer Napier Structure





## **Membership**

The Safer Napier Strategic Group (SNSG) consists of representatives from a number of government agencies and non-government agencies that are involved with crime prevention, injury prevention, alcohol related harm, road safety and community resilience.

These include but are not limited to: Accident Compensation Corporation, Fire and Emergency NZ, Hawke's Bay Civil Defence Emergency Management Group, Hawke's Bay District Health Board, Health Hawke's Bay, Housing New Zealand Corporation, Ministry of Social Development, Napier City Council, Napier City Business Inc, NZ Automobile Association, NZ Police, NZ Red Cross, Roopu a Iwi Trust, Te Puni Kōkiri, RoadSafe Hawke's Bay, Te Rangihaeata Oranga Trust, and Te Kupenga Hauora – Ahuriri.

Ideally, in their organisation, representatives hold positions of influence with decision-makers or are decision-makers themselves (e.g. strategy and policy development, resource allocation etc).

### *New Members*

Each member organisation determines who their representative is on the group, endorsed by the SNSG. Should the representative leave the member organisation, the organisation will replace the representative with another staff member or volunteer. The exiting member will ensure an adequate 'handover' is completed. In addition, the Safer Napier coordinating agency will brief the new member before them joining the group.

The SNSG may co-opt new member organisations.

## **Role of Committee Members**

- To act as a representative for the views of their organisation with regards to community safety in Napier
- To share relevant information, projects and knowledge that contribute to community safety in Napier, the wider Hawke's Bay area and nationally
- To ensure information from SNSG is shared with their own organisation
- To promote the activities of Safer Napier widely, through communication to service provider and other networks
- To seek and consider input from the community when developing the Safer Napier strategy and implementation of Safer Napier programmes.

## **Reference Groups**

Reference Groups will be established around priority areas to provide specialist skills and expertise. They will help identify and select focus areas to be worked on each year. In addition, the reference groups may also deliver activities that contribute to Safe Napier goals.



## Meetings

- Held bi-monthly or as required
- A quorum is one half plus one of the current members of the SNSG
- Notes are taken at each meeting and distributed to all members

## Community Consultation

The wider group of stakeholders will be consulted annually at the Safer Napier Annual Meeting. This is an opportunity to update on the programme's progress and receive input into strategic and implementation planning.

### *Communication*

The community will also be updated on the Safer Napier programme through the NCC website, newspaper and newsletter articles. Napier City Council communication staff will assist in developing and disseminating media releases. Joint media releases will be discussed (at meetings or via email) with the SNSG prior to release.

## Safer Napier Vision and Goals



## Review Date

The Terms of Reference will be reviewed every three years by the SNSG.

Last reviewed March 2019.

## **Appendix C: Examples of National, Regional and Local Strategies, Policies and Plans**

### National

- Better Public Services
- Children's Action Plan
- Cross-government Injury Prevention Workplan Hawke's Bay Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Plan (under review)
- Healthy Homes
- Ministry of Education Statement of Intent 2011/12 - 2016/17
- Ministry of Social Development Statement of Intent 2014-2018
- National Civil Defence Emergence Management Strategy
- National Drug Policy 2015 – 2020
- New Zealand Fire Service Statement of Strategic Direction 2014 – 2018
- New Zealand Police Four Year Plan 2015 – 2019
- New Zealand Suicide Prevention Plan
- Safer Journeys 2020
- Youth Crime Action Plan 2013 – 2023

### Regional

- Child Protection agreement between CYF and Ngati Kahungunu
- Community Policing Plans
- Hastings and Napier Joint Alcohol Strategy
- Hawke's Bay Civil Defence Emergency Management Group Plan
- Hawke's Bay District Health Board Injury Prevention Strategy
- Hawke's Bay Road Safety Action Plan
- Hawke's Bay Regional Tobacco Strategy 2015 - 2020
- Napier City Council Long Term Plan
- Te Kupenga Hauora – Ahuriri Whanau Ora Long Term Strategic Plan

### Local

- Shade Policy
- Smokefree Policy

