



Kununurra and Wyndham Alcohol Accord

Our Ref: CS.08.1
Enquiries: Evea Lousick

17 July 2018

Hon. J Quigley MLA LLB, JP
Attorney General
5th Floor, Dumas House
2 Havelock Street
WEST PERTH WA 6005

Dear Mr Quigley

Request for additional Bail and Sentencing Conditions - Ban from Licensed Premises

The Kununurra Wyndham Alcohol Accord is working to establish a sound set of practical and proactive strategies which will contribute to the reduction of alcohol related harm in our local communities.

It is the intention of the Accord to implement a local banned drinkers register to facilitate a cooperative approach to managing access to alcohol by those involved in alcohol related anti-social behaviour or harm. Licensees will use the register when exercising their right to ban individuals from their premises, therefore banning the individual from all participating licensed premises. We are exploring mechanisms to offer a 'voluntary ban' to individuals who wish to request this as a means of support in their efforts to reduce the impact of alcohol related "hum bugging" by family members to purchase alcohol on their behalf.

The Accord requests that where bail conditions or sentencing is imposed for anyone living in the Shire in relation to an offence involving alcohol, that conditions or sentencing include a ban from licensed premises for a specified period and that Police will be empowered to manage the offender's addition to our local banned drinker register for the specified period of time. Any breach of such a condition must be met with serious consequences.

It is the view of Accord stakeholders that such consequences for offenders will contribute to the reduction of alcohol related harm in our communities. The implementation of this measure will be an essential element to a whole of community approach to addressing the many drivers of alcohol related harm in our community.

The Kununurra Wyndham Alcohol Accord seek your due consideration on this request

Should you require any further information please contact Evea Lousick, Secretariat of the Kununurra Wyndham Alcohol Accord on 9168 4100.

Yours sincerely

Fiona Kuiper
Chairperson
Kununurra Wyndham Alcohol Accord



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12 June 2018

Hon. P Papalia CSC MLA
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Dear Minister

Request for Liquor Accord participation as a condition of Liquor Licenses

The Kununurra Wyndham Alcohol Accord is working to establish a sound set of practical and proactive strategies which will contribute to the reduction of alcohol related harm in our local communities.

The Accord requests that all licensed premises in Kununurra and Wyndham be required to actively participate in the local Accord, by attending meetings and engaging with the aims and strategies of the Accord.

The reason for this request is to ensure all licensees are actively engaged and working within our community to reduce alcohol related harm. The current voluntary attendance of only 3 licensees is not satisfactory and it is the view that this will remain the case until compulsory participation is a condition of maintaining a liquor license. Minimising alcohol related harm is an important responsibility of managing a licensed premise and participation in the Accord should be a condition placed on all licensees.

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Hon. M.H.Roberts MLA
Minister for Police; Road Safety
12th Floor Dumas House
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WEST PERTH WA 6005

Dear Minister

Re: Increased Police resources for Kununurra

The township of Kununurra in the Shire of Wyndham East Kimberley is currently experiencing a marked increase in youth driven antisocial and criminal behaviour. While Western Australian Police are doing the best possible job with limited resources, they are overwhelmed with the sheer volume of offences being committed on a nightly basis by the town's disengaged youth.

Although the Kununurra Police have received supplementary resources recently, there would still appear not to be enough uniformed officers to facilitate adequate levels of staffing for the stations three reliefs. At present, much of the town's antisocial and criminal behaviour occurs after dark with the afternoon and night shifts being able only to put one vehicle on the road for policing. As a result, many instances of antisocial behaviour are not dealt with as they occur and Kununurra Police are experiencing a constant back log of jobs. Unfortunately residents have now come to accept that certain behaviours are beyond the scope of police and have become apathetic to reporting incidents.

The Kimberley as a whole (32,000 people) generated more juvenile crime than the Perth North West Police Region (500,000 plus people) with this figure a concern for law abiding residents across the region. The region is also over represented on average, in the population of the Banksia Hill Remand Centre. When considering the cost per day of housing young offenders (approx. \$900 plus per day, per offender), it is reasonable to argue that allocating increased resources to policing at a grass roots level is an important step for both the wellbeing of communities and, over time, reducing the cost of crime to the taxpayer.

There is a growing call within the region for youth curfews and increasing concern that, should the current situation continue to go unchecked a Kalgoorlie type scenario where vigilante's take matters into their own hands will occur. Any such action would further divide our community along racial lines. The community recognise that it is going to take a coordinated approach from a range of stakeholders to resolve the current issues and that there is no quick fix to this situation. The Police are an important part of any solution and must possess the resources and staffing to assist in responding to the marked increase in youth driven antisocial behaviour and criminal activity. A well-staffed Police Station and associated action plan may have an immediate impact on crime reduction and win back the confidence of a community who feel locked behind fences and doors at night.

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