

# North Shore City Safe Community #116



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Janferie Bryce-Chapman, executive director Age Concern for North Shore and executive member of ShoreSafe welcomed Mayor George Wood, Teresa Stanley, chair of ShoreSafe and other representatives from the North Shore City Council (NSCC), Accident Compensation Corporation (ACC), Police, Fire Service Waitemata District Health Board WDHB), Watersafe Auckland, Age Concern, Safe Communities New Zealand and members of the North Shore community involved in safety promotion and injury prevention throughout the North Shore, to North Shore City Designation ceremony held on Tuesday 24th July, 2007. Some of the community members had been involved in the North Harbour Injury Prevention Coalition before it became ShoreSafe and others had become involved since the formation of ShoreSafe and the drive towards International Safe Community accreditation.

Teresa Stanley presented a potted history of ShoreSafe, the people and organisations involved, and the achievements so far. She concluded by saying that *"what we have achieved so far is good, but by the time we are applying for re-designation I want us to be great"*.



Three presentations were then given: the first by North Shore Police Inspector Les Paterson on the approach adopted by North Shore Police to prevent crime and violence on the North Shore. He commented on the size and geography of North Shore and how it was unique in that it had the longest coastline in New Zealand. His address provided statistics showing how well North Shore was achieving in its policing of crime and violence and that it was the safest city in New Zealand. His address was followed by a presentation from Child Youth and Families (Ann Casey), Safer Families (Tracey Swanberg) and Senior Sgt Bruce Wood from the Police on their joint initiative and the Takapuna model they have developed. These two presentations ably demonstrated the collaboration and cooperation between these three organisations. The third presentation was by a representative from the NSCC, Warwick Robertson, on the Safe Summer Campaign. Again this presentation ably demonstrated the depth and breadth of safety initiatives occurring on the North Shore between a range of government and non-government organisations both on the sea and land.

All present were given a most impressive demonstration of Tai Chi by one of the local migrant Tai Chi groups. This covered two Tai Chi forms and a two sword demonstration by their master and leader.

The next part of the ceremony was an address by Dr Carolyn Coggan as the certifying delegate of the WHO Collaborating Centre on Community Safety Promotion. She praised ShoreSafe and the North Shore City Council on their collaborative efforts, as identified in their application and site visit, and presented them with a plaque and flag which acknowledged these efforts.

The certificate was signed by Professor Leif Svanstrom, Dr Carolyn Coggan, the mayor George Wood, Katie Sadleir, General Manager Injury Prevention ACC, Dave Davies CEO WDHB, Inspector Les Paterson, Area Commander North Shore City Police, Terry Hoskins CEO Enterprise North Shore, and Teresa Stanley Chairperson ShoreSafe.



The afternoon concluded with a karakia and all were invited to refreshments and a toast to North Shore "A Safer City".

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