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BACKGROUND:

The original policy paid a \$200 reward to any member of the public, whereby information they provided lead to the conviction of vandals.

No such payments have been made to the knowledge of finance staff for over fourteen years.

It is believed that the word conviction may have been largely responsible for this as quite often these offences receive warnings or cautions. The appointment of a Safe City Coordinator will also allow this policy to be promoted.

PURPOSE:

The proposed changes bring a more flexible system which not only allows for rewards for the prevention or detection of a crime, but specifically provides incentive for our youth to perform acts of civic merit and to have these acts rewarded.

POLICY:

The system for rewarding people for good deeds. This is split into two levels, the higher level being for very serious crime issues or outstanding civic deeds and the lower level being for less serious crimes and general good civic deeds.

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- (1) To be eligible for an award a candidate must meet one of the following criteria:
 1. The perpetrator(s) of a crime are reported to the Police by a person in no way connected to the crime.
 2. The Police are satisfied that the person(s) identified has committed the crime and/or has been prosecuted for the crime.
 3. The candidate, in no way connected to the crime, provides authorities with information leading to the prevention of a crime.
 4. Civic Awards will be made to a person or persons who performs a deed well beyond that which would be normally expected.
- (2) All candidates for rewards must be recommended by either senior public figures such as School Principals, Councillors, JP's, senior Police Officers or Council staff so authorised.
- (3) A cash award of up to \$500 for high level matters; and
- (4) All relevant details of recipients will be recorded.