

Queen's University Task Force on Street Parties

Terms of Reference

I. Definitions

Street Parties – Large, unsanctioned street gatherings and/or parties typically in or around the University District

The University – Queen's University at Kingston, Ontario

Students – Undergraduate and graduate students at Queen's University

AMS – Association of Master's and Professional Students

SGPS – Society of Graduate and Professional Students

II. Background

Situated in Kingston, Ontario, Queen's University is a large, multi-faceted institution. Apart from engaging with the University campus, students live in the broader Kingston community as residents and occupy collective spaces

- b) Consult with Queen's students, community members, and other interested and affected members of the Queen's and/or Kingston community regarding the issue of street parties and potential approaches to address the issue; and
- c) Report back to the Senate in the fall of 2022 with recommendations and an implementation strategy.

IV. Principles

The Task Force on Street Parties shall keep in mind the following principles:

- a) Large, unsanctioned street parties are a safety concern for the community;
- b) Street parties place a disproportionate strain on local enforcement and healthcare partners;
- c) Street parties are not solely a student issue but a social phenomenon reflective of group dynamics and social media culture;
- d) Safe alternatives for social gatherings for students and other community members must be addressed in any recommendations.

V. Reporting

The final report of the Task Force on Street Parties will articulate recommendations and an implementation strategy regarding the mandate above and will be publicly released in the fall of 2022.

VI. Task Force Membership

- Principal and Vice-Chancellor – Chair
- Chief of Staff and Legal Advisor to the Principal
- Vice Principal, University Relations
- University Council Member
- University Rector
- AMS President, or designate
- SGPS President, or designate
- Vice-Provost and Dean of Student Affairs
- Associate Vice Principal (Human Rights, Equity and Inclusion)
- Director Campus Security and Emergency Services
- City of Kingston By-Law Representative
- City of Kingston Police Representative
- Frontenac Paramedics Representative
- KGH/Hotel Dieu Hospital Representative
- University Health Representative
- Public Health Representative
- St. Lawrence College Representative
- Royal Military College Representative
- Sydenham District (Neighbourhood) Association Representative
- Portsmouth District Community (Neighbourhood) Association Representative

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