7.2 APPOINTMENT OF NEW COUNCILLOR TO THE MONASH COMMUNITY SAFETY SPECIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Responsible Committee: Monash Community Safety Special Advisory Committee

RECOMMENDATION

That Council

- 1. Accepts the resignation of Cr Lake from the Monash Community Safety Special Advisory Committee.
- Approves the appointment of Cr Josh Fergeus to the Monash Community Safety Special Advisory Committee effective immediately.

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval for the appointment of a new Councillor to the Monash Community Safety Special Advisory Committee [the Committee]. The current Councillor membership is comprised of the Mayor Cr Paul Klisaris, Cr Lake and Cr Paterson.

BACKGROUND

On 5 March 2018 at the fourth meeting of the Monash Community Safety Special Advisory Committee, Cr Lake communicated that he would be unable to attend the three remaining scheduled meetings due to work commitments. The current membership term is for a limited number of meetings currently scheduled to complete in June 2018.

Cr Lake informed the Committee that Cr Fergeus had identified an interest and capacity to attend the three remaining meetings in his place.

DISCUSSION

The Monash Community Safety Special Advisory Committee, Chaired by Dr Susan Alberti (AC), is exploring a new, innovative approach to community safety and will focus on tackling unrealistic perceptions of crime in Monash. Funding will be sought to deliver the articulated program. Through this Committee, Council is working with Victoria Police, the Department of Justice and Monash University.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The appointment of Cr Fergeus will assist the Committee to represent the Monash community in its program development.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications.

CONCLUSION/RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council approve the appointment of Cr Fergeus in place of Cr Lake to the Monash Community Safety Special Advisory Committee.