The Territory’s Office of Crime Prevention has developed a new toolkit for community crime prevention organisations to help in their fight against crime – the "Guide for Community Crime Prevention Partnerships".

Minister for Justice Dr Peter Toyne said the Guide will assist community crime prevention groups by providing step-by-step directions on investigating and analysing crime problems in communities right through to developing strategies to address them.

"This is a real toolkit for crime prevention groups that provides sound guidance and advice on how to address localised crime problems."

"The Guide identifies approaches to crime prevention, steps through the process of developing a crime profile for a particular area and how to prioritise whatever problems may exist."

"The process of developing and implementing a targeted crime prevention strategy along with evaluating the success of a strategy is also comprehensively outlined in the guide."

Dr Toyne said the guide is part of Government’s strong commitment to working with community groups to address crime issues.

"Developing partnerships in the fight against crime is a step in the right direction as no one organisation can tackle crime in isolation."

"The Regional Crime Prevention Councils, funded by Government as formal bodies to develop on-the-ground strategies to address localised crime issues, is one way we are working towards a partnership approach."

"We have been pleased with the level of interest and commitment from people around the Territory with Regional Crime Prevention Councils already established in almost all main centres."

"These Councils provide a strong forum for interested and community minded people to help build safer communities in their region."

Regional Crime Prevention Councils are already established in Darwin, Alice Springs, Katherine, Tennant Creek, and Nhulunbuy and Indigenous Regional Crime Prevention Councils are established in North East Arnhemland and the Central and Barkly regions.

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