

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Colne and District Working Group of the  
Pendle Community Safety Partnership held at Colne Town Hall on 06<sup>th</sup> October, 2016**

**PRESENT**

Jerry Stanford –Chair – in the Chair

Audrey Broughton	Friends of Alkincoates Park & Nature Reserve
Sue Bryant-Sharples	Resident
Yvonne May	Resident
Kevin McNulty	Castle Rd NW
Councillor David Clegg	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Tony Greaves	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Jonathan Nixon	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Margaret Foxley	Pendle Borough Council
Nick Harbour	Pendle Borough Council

**1. Welcomes and Apologies**

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance.

Apologies were received from Carol Riley, Councillor Dorothy Lord, Councillor Graham Roach, David Foat and Paul Goodall.

**2. Minutes of last meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 08<sup>th</sup> September, 2016 were approved as a true and correct record.

**3. Matters Arising**

**Parked cars – Hartley Terrace** – no changes with any of the issues up at Hartley Terrace. Resident Sue Bryant-Sharples questioned the comments made that most of the cars parking on the street are owned by local people.

**Action:** Continue to monitor and report back at the next meeting.

**Late night speeding cars** – Jerry reported the concerns to the Full Community Safety Partnership at their meeting in September. It appears some progress is being made. Paul Goodall will be taking the concerns to be discussed at an up and coming Risk and Threat meeting. Funding is being sought to get a new camera to help detect who the culprits are. Geoff Whitehead is also looking at how other borough's in the region combat this particular issue.

**Action:** Jerry will again get in touch with Geoff Whitehead, Paul Goodall and Andrew Proctor saying that the Colne CSP aren't fully satisfied with how the issue is being dealt with and will request a proper campaign is set up.

**Speeding tractors** – No reports of any further issues in relation to speeding tractors in the local area.

**Damage to trees at parks** – the new cameras that were installed have caught somebody causing damage to the local parks. This is good news. No new issues have arisen since the person was caught and reported to the police. It is hoped that it was just this one person causing all the vandalism and now they have been caught, the issues should cease to occur.

**Drug dealing at Castle Road** – residents have reported that 3 or 4 people were spotted in a car on 22<sup>nd</sup> September, suspected of dealing drugs.

**Action:** Jerry to email Tim Hitchin to report the concerns.

**Vivary Way road markings** – Jerry has been in touch with Simon Bucknall about the possibilities of getting new road markings saying 'right hand turn only' put in on Vivary Way to help combat the problem of people cutting in. Simon noted the problem and accepted that something needs to change. Ideally there would be a barrier put up but that isn't possible at the moment. Simon will add the idea of new road markings to the upcoming Route Management Strategy and look to get them put in place in the near future.

**Police presence at Colne WG** – Having not had any police presence at the previous two Colne CSP meetings, Jerry was asked to bring this concern up at the Full CSP meeting in early October. Paul Goodall from the Police ensured that things would be back to normal as soon as possible. Staff shortages have had an impact on the presence at meetings. Unfortunately, no police presence was available tonight. However, the crime figures and PACT priorities were sent through. A new Sergeant, Tim Hitchen, is now in place (Craig Jarrett has moved to Blackburn). David Cleal will return to his post soon and a new rural beat officer will also join the team in mid-October. This should ensure that there will be someone to attend the November meeting.

#### **4. Matters of Concern**

**Car in Colne Water** – a car has been dumped in Colne Water near The Lenches. It appeared there was some sort of argument between two teenagers, resulting in one of them letting the car fall into the water. The car has now been there for two weeks. Attempts were made to contact the police but there was no answer to a 101 call made by a local resident.

**Action:** Jerry to contact the Environment Agency to ask that the vehicle be removed.

**Parking issues at Hartley Terrace/ Lenches/ School Lane/ Favordale Road** – vans are apparently parking too close to the junctions at various parts of the area, namely Hartley Terrace, School Lane, Lenches and Favordale Road, making it difficult for residents to see what's coming before they pull out onto the main road. It was requested that double yellow lines are sought for the named areas.

**Action:** Jerry will email Simon Bucknall to make the request.

**Sexual activity in Laneshawbridge toilets**– a previously resolved problem has apparently resurfaced. Reports that people are using the public toilets in Laneshawbridge for sexual activity.

**Action:** Police to monitor the area.

**Problem pavements at Rutland Street** – roots from nearby trees have started to come through the pavement at Rutland Street/ Stratford Way. This could lead to somebody tripping over them and injuring themselves.

**Action:** Jerry to email Simon Bucknall to highlight the problem. He will also copy in Peter Atkinson.

**Trespassing on Byron Road Community Centre roof** – reports that children are climbing up onto the roof at Byron Road Community Centre. This is obviously very dangerous and needs to be stopped as soon as possible.

**Action:** This is to be picked up by Together Housing and Colne Area Committee.

**Litter around Allendale Street** – litter problem reported around Allendale Street/ St. Stephen's Way and Byron Road. Cllr. Clegg reported that the area was recently cleaned but may need doing again.

**Action:** Jerry to email David Alexander to request that the area is litter picked again.

**Crossing near Allendale Street** – question raised about whether the lollypop lady could better utilise her time when helping people cross the road. At the moment she is positioned at a crossing where there is a button to be pressed. Could she be moved further down the road to where the ginnel coming from Allendale Street meets the main road?

**DBS checks** – residents unhappy that elderly people can no longer attend the bingo sessions at Byron Road Community Centre as the people now working there are not DBS checked. There is little that can be done here as the law requires this check as some elderly people are classed as vulnerable.

## 5. Crime Statistics & PACT Priorities

Jerry Stanford presented the crime figures for September 2016, together with figures for the same period in 2015

	Waterside		Horsfield		Colne Rural		Vivary Bridge		Foulridge		Total		Plus/minus
	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	2015	2016	
Burglary in a dwelling	3	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	5	1	-4
Burglary other than in a dwelling	3	1	1	3	2	0	2	3	0	0	8	7	-1
Vehicle Crime	3	3	0	1	5	3	1	2	2	2	11	11	=
Hate Crime	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	-1
D/V assaults	7	0	0	2	0	1	1	1	0	0	8	4	-4
Licensed premises assaults	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	-1
Other assaults	2	3	2	3	1	3	2	3	0	0	7	12	+5
Criminal Damage/ Arson	7	2	4	9	1	0	6	2	1	2	19	15	-4
All Crime	59	43	23	39	9	11	20	23	3	5	114	121	+7
ASB	38	22	26	30	6	4	32	30	4	3	106	89	-17

### PACT Priorities

#### Waterside

- Shoplifting in Colne town centre is still at a high level – Regular foot patrols carried out around the town centre and larger stores
- Youths causing anti-social behaviour on Hawley Street, Colne
- Motorcycle nuisance on Basil Street, Colne

#### Horsfield

- King George playing fields – anti-social behaviour
- Oak Street/ Fern Street/ Cleveland Street – ASB
- Drunkenness and loutish behaviour on the benches in front of Colne Library during the day. The two main offenders have been served with Acceptable Behaviour Contracts
- Drug taking and drug dealing behind an address on Castle Road, Colne

### Vivary Bridge

- ASB in Alkincoates Park/ Nature Reserve particularly around the Pavilion
- ASB on Barcroft Street Bowling Green
- Parking on ZIG-ZAG lines outside schools – police patrolling near schools at dropping off/ picking up times. Motorists have been warned in the past but the problem is continuing. Fixed Penalty Notices are being considered where appropriate

### Colne Rural

- Speeding on Skipton Road, Colne
- Sexual activity in the public toilets on Keighley Road, Laneshawbridge – Observations in area with a view to detect offenders
- Vehicle crime in Trawden

## **6. Any Other Business**

No other business

## **7. Date of Next Meeting:**

- Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2016

Commencing at 5.45 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Colne Town Hall