

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Colne and District Working Group of the
Pendle Community Safety Partnership held at Colne Town Hall on 3rd December, 2015**

PRESENT

Jerry Stanford –Chair – in the Chair

Audrey Broughton	Friends of Alkincoates Park & Nature Reserve
Mark Hartley	Resident
Kevin McNulty	Castle Rd NW
PS 4021 Kim De Curtis	Lancashire Police
Alice Mann	Waterside Neighbourhood Action Group
Councillor David Clegg	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Tony Greaves	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Graham Roach	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Paul White	Pendle Borough Council
Peter Atkinson	Pendle Borough Council
Audrey Drinkwater	Pendle Borough Council

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Mary Peden, Marion Snowden, Councillor Graham Waugh and Town Councillor Glenda Clegg

2. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 13th October, 2015 were approved as a true and correct record.

3. Matters Arising

Ambulance Attendance at Accidents – following discussion it was agreed to take up the offer of an invitation to visit the Call Centre at Broughton. Jerry Stanford and Audrey Broughton to attend.

Wood Street & Lenches Road – Police confirmed risk assessment carried out; high and low visibility monitoring undertaken. No cause for concern.

Dog owners with dogs off-lead on Albert Rd / Market St. with concomitant traffic accident risks.

Agreed: that the Chair write to Pendle Council requesting that this be considered as a priority for a Public Space Protection Order.

20 mph signs rotated on Shaw St. JS confirmed that the signs have been put back the right way.

Vegetation at Sub-Station, Parker Street/Barrowford Road – confirmed that an on-site meeting had been arranged for 4th December and the vegetation would be cut back early week commencing 7th December. The road safety issue to be discussed at the Traffic Liaison meeting in January.

4. Matters of Concern

Traffic Lights, junction of North Valley and Langroyd Road (A6068) – reports of drivers ‘jumping’ the lights. This is an ongoing issue which the Police need to witness.

Road traffic safety in schools – responsibility of Lancashire County Council. Police confirmed there is a website for teachers to access (Moodle) and the Police do assist with visits to local primary schools

Speeding vehicles on Shaw Street – 20 mph speed limit is being ignored. Police confirmed it is on their list for monitoring. Lenches reported to also be an issue with cars parking on the pavements. White road markings would greatly assist.

Bus shelters – reports of the glass in the shelter at Primet Hill being repeatedly broken and repaired, which is very costly. No offenders have been caught. PA confirmed that Pendle Council do not investigate unless damage is as a result of a road traffic accident.

Burnley Road (by car showroom) – reports of people (from Nelson) driving at excessive speeds and doing handbrake turns late night/early morning

5. Crime Statistics & PACT Priorities

PS De Curtis presented the crime figures for November 2015, together with figures for the same period in 2014

	Waterside		Horsfield		Colne Rural		Vivary Bridge		Foulridge		Total		Plus/minus
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	
Burglary in a dwelling	4	2	2	1	1	0	3	1	0	0	10	4	-6
Burglary other than in a dwelling	2	10	3	1	1	3	2	4	1	1	9	19	+10
Vehicle Crime	6	9	4	3	2	3	6	3	1	2	19	20	+1
Hate Crime	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	+1
D/V assaults	3	2	2	4	0	0	0	3	1	0	6	9	+3
Licensed premises assaults	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	=
Other assaults	1	4	3	8	2	0	5	3	0	0	11	15	+4
Criminal Damage/ Arson	6	7	5	3	0	1	2	4	0	0	13	15	+2
All Crime	44	56	30	40	11	12	26	31	5	4	116	143	+27
ASB	31	27	28	21	10	6	17	17	3	2	89	73	-16

Higher number of crimes (burglaries) in Waterside in November. Suspects are being targeted.

Autocrime – smash & grab offences. Posters are going up advising people not to leave items on display in their vehicles.

Stones being thrown at taxis – Police are doing work around this.

Six assaults in Horsfield were records, however, this was from 3 incidents.

Rural Crime – Operation Checkpoint – stopping vehicles.

PACT Priorities

Vivary Bridge

- ASB on the area (Bowling green, top Ruskin Ave etc.)
- ZIG-ZAG's outside schools (lazy parents afraid of cold n wet weather)
- Increased BIAODs .

Colne Rural & Foulridge

1) Vehicle thefts in Rural locations including Farming Equipment, Trailers, Defenders and Quad Bikes.

Actions- Data Tag (A deterrent to thieves due to the vehicle being tagged with transponders and with all parts security marked and the vehicle registered to Data tag) offered to members of the Rural Community on 4 separate event days with £5,000 of POC(Proceeds of Crime) funding obtained by the rural policing team to part fund the cost of the Data Tagging to the members of the public.

This has been very successful and all the funding has now been used.

2) Wycoller Car Park Trawden Rd. - Vehicle Break- in's on the car park.

Actions - Regular Patrols during day light hours to check vehicles and advise and educate members of the public re leaving items on show.

Patrols during darkness as the car park has been used by teenagers in vehicles to smoke cannabis on occasions.

A good relationship with Sarah Dornan the Park Ranger is maintained and regular meetings occur to discuss deterrents.

Volunteers along with the Park Ranger are going to cut down bushes and long grass to make the car park more visible to the road going into Wycoller.

Horsfield

- ASB around Oak/Fern/Cleveland Streets
- ASB at Sainsbury's
- ASB King George V playing field.

Waterside

- Town centre Shoplifting
- ASB – Harold and Hawley Street
- Speeding vehicles – Lenches

6. Any Other Business

(a) Future of Colne CSP

It was resolved at the Colne & District Committee on 5th November, 2015 that meetings of the Colne & District Working Group of the Pendle Community Safety Partnership be held at 6.00 p.m. in Colne Town Hall for a trial period of two months and that Jerry Stanford be invited to continue chairing these meetings.

Action: Audrey to inform the Colne Town Hall Caretaker of these arrangements

(b) Publicity

It was agreed that other groups in Colne be encouraged to send representatives to these meetings.

Action: Jerry to draft a press release to ensure promotion of these meetings in the wider media, including Colne Town Council website.

7. Date(s) of Next Meetings:

- Thursday, 7th January, 2016
- Thursday, 4th February, 2016

Commencing at 6.00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Colne Town Hall