

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Colne and District Working Group of the
Colne Community Safety Partnership held at Colne Town Hall on 30th March,
2017**

PRESENT

Jerry Stanford – in the Chair

Audrey Broughton	Friends of Alkincoats Park & Nature Reserve
Yvonne M May	Resident of Waterside
Kevin McNulty	Castle Rd NW
Ailsa Gill	Lancashire Police
Councillor David Clegg	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Margaret Foxley	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Sarah Cockburn-Price	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, Jim Smart, Tim Hitchen, Sue Bryant-Sharples & Councillor Tony Greaves

2. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 9th March, 2017 were approved as a true and correct record.

Jerry Stanford thanked Councillor David Clegg for stepping in as Chair at the last meeting.

3. Matters Arising

CCTV Cameras – a slight delay on the CCTV front. The receivers were picking up on the wrong frequency so a new part had to be ordered. This is on its way from Germany (to no extra cost of the town council). Once this is sorted the cameras are good to go. Training will be given to volunteers to man the cameras as soon as the new part arrives and the cameras are in full working order.

Hubs House Farm vehicle – no update to give at this meeting from the Police on any further action against the offender. Lancashire County Council had collected more evidence and were ready to take the case up in court but it was adjourned until April due to the defence not having had enough time to review the evidence.

Action: Police to report back at the next meeting with latest.

Councillor Sarah Cockburn-Price to raise the Colne CSP's concerns at the Colne Committee meeting.

Millennium Green Fly-tipping – Nick Harbour reported the fly-tipping issue to Waste Services and they tidied the area.

Drunk outside library – someone had raised an issue to Jerry Stanford about a local man who was causing problems outside the library by drinking and swearing at young people. Tim Horsley is now working on this and the Council are looking to enforce a CPN. The Police are well aware of the man and ask that people report him if he is being disorderly and abusive to people around the library so they can use it as evidence against him.

4. Matters of Concern

Speeding on Castle Road – concerns raised regarding speeding traffic on Castle Road. Also problems with cars parking on the footpath outside Park School.

Action: Ailsa to contact the traffic policeman and ask that he monitor the area between 15:30 – 17:00. The Neighbourhood Team are currently undergoing training with the speed gun and can monitor in the near future.

Quadbike at Alkincoates Park – reports that another quadbike has been spotted up at Alkincoates Park. The owner has been giving young children rides on the back of it. In some cases the children are standing on the back just holding on to the shoulders of the rider. A slight pothole in the road could cause them to come off and cause a serious injury.

Action: Police to monitor the area. Add this to the PACT Priorities list.

Restorative Justice Team – Councillor Margaret Foxley reported some good news in that the Pendle Restorative Justice Team had won the Lancashire Constabulary Team of the Year Award. This is well deserved and merited recognition of the hard work the volunteers put into the scheme. It is hoped that in the future the Police will try to make better use of the volunteers – it will be beneficial for the Police and the team can help take some of the workload from them.

Action: Jerry to contact the Police to promote the team further and ask that it is passed on to all Police personnel to make them aware of the services the Restorative Justice Team can offer to assist them.

Multi-wheel facility – Councillor Sarah Cockburn-Price explained that an architect was drawing up some plans for a 'multi wheeled park' at the site of the former sports pitches next to Colne Leisure Centre. She asked that the Colne CSP support the idea and submit a letter to the Executive backing the idea.

Action: Jerry Stanford to write a letter supporting the idea on behalf of this group.

Golf at Primet Heights playing fields – reports of a youth playing golf up on the playing field at Primet Heights. A stray ball could hit somebody or go through a window.

Action: PCSO to call round at the youth’s house and have a word. Also suggest if they want to play golf to go and join the Colne Golf Club Tuesday evening sessions.

Venables Avenue – reports that the beck behind Venables Avenue recently flooded and the water went down onto the road. It was on a cold night and the water actually froze onto the road and caused vehicles to skid. This of course is dangerous.

Action: Jerry to write to Simon Bucknell to request that the area be gritted at the next cold snap.

5. Crime Statistics & PACT Priorities

Ailsa Gill presented the crime figures for March 2017, together with figures for the same period in 2016

	Waterside		Horsfield		Colne Rural & Foulridge		Vivary Bridge		Total		Plus/minus
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	
Burglary in a dwelling	1	6	3	4	1	1	0	5	5	16	+11
Burglary other than in a dwelling	2	4	1	0	0	5	0	2	3	11	+8
Vehicle Crime	4	6	1	5	0	0	3	18	8	29	+21
Hate Crime	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	=
D/V assaults	7	5	4	10	1	0	3	5	15	20	+5
License d premises assaults	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	1	4	+3
Criminal Damage / Arson	4/0	9/1	2/0	3/0	0/0	0/0	4/0	9/0	10/0	21/1	+11/1
All Crime	19	30/1	12	26	2	6	10	30	43	102	+59
ASB	24	36	27	25	7	6	16	18	74	85	+11

It was noted that following the discussions last time over vehicle crime at Wycoller – two people have now been arrested. More details will be announced in the local press in the coming weeks.

PACT Priorities

Waterside:

- 1) Shoplifting in Colne town centre is still at a high level – Regular foot patrols carried out around the town centre and larger stores. On-going operation to combat prolific offenders.
- 2) Person riding around the area on a motorbike performing dangerous stunts and causing a noise nuisance.

Horsfield:

- 1) King Georges Playing Field - ASB.
- 2) Oak St/Oak St Mill/Fern St/ Cleveland St – ASB.
- 3) Speeding on Castle Road

Vivary Bridge:

- 1) Alkincoats Park – ASB/Fire in the nature reserve.

Colne Rural:

- 1) Speeding on Keighley Road.
- 2) Vehicle crime – Wycoller.

6. Any Other Business

No other business was raised.

7. Date of Next Meeting:

- Thursday, 11th May, 2017

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