

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Colne and District Working Group of the  
Colne Community Safety Partnership held at Colne Town Hall on 11<sup>th</sup> May, 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
Alice Mann	Waterside Action Group
Jim Smart	NVRA
Sue Bryant-Sharples	WNAG
Roger Whitehead	Resident
Councillor David Clegg	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Margaret Foxley	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Sarah Cockburn-Price	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Jonathan Nixon	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Tony Greaves	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 and David Foat.

**2. Minutes of last meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2017 were approved as a true and correct record.

**3. Matters Arising**

**CCTV Cameras** – good news in that the new receivers that were ordered were installed and everything is working fine. Final arrangements will be made at the next Full Council meeting before a full rollout is made.

**Hubs House Farm vehicle** – no update from the Police but reports that multiple bonfires have been lit up at the site. The planning department at Lancashire County Council have emailed Neil Watson and said that the offender has pleaded guilty to one minor charge but not to the majority of serious offences. The case has now been deferred again until August. It will be the Environment Agency (EA) who will look to prosecute at the next case, not LCC. A further resident report stated that the detritus on site included dead lambs. This constitutes a serious matter and should be reported to DEFRA for action.

**Action:** Nick Harbour to report the bonfires to Tim and to EA/DEFRA.

**Millennium Green Fly-tipping** – waste services have been to the park on numerous occasions in recent weeks and not noted any major fly tipping issues. Anything found has been quickly removed. The local action team are assisting with removal of any debris that are dumped at the site too.

**Quadbike at Alkincoates Park** – no new sightings reported. All quiet for now.

**Restorative Justice Team** – Jerry had written to Paul Goodall with regards to the RJ team and Police working together more closely. This was following on from the Police not acknowledging the work the RJ team are doing. Paul was unaware of the award that the RJ team had won. He stated that the Police are grateful for any assistance and will ask that the local force co-operate more with the RJ team. Unfortunately, it seems that the Police are still not co-operating with the team after this request from Paul.

**Action:** Jerry to raise the issue at Full CSP as the Police are still not co-operating with the RJ team.

**Drunk outside library** – more reports of issues with Paul Manley being drunk and disorderly in and around the town centre. A resident had called 101 and the operator on the end of the line was most unhelpful. They denied ever having had reports about Paul in the past, despite many different people making multiple complaints in the past and him having a two year prohibition order now expired. The issue was also taken to the Police station where little was done.

**Action:** Jerry will be writing to the Police and Crime Commissioner regarding the issue. He will also copy in Tim Horsley from Pendle Borough Council who has had dealings with this problem in the past.

**101** – it was asked that at the next meeting someone from the Police give a full explanation of when 101 should be contacted and what to expect from this service.

**Speeding on Castle Road** – reported that speeding traps have been in place to try and reduce the problem. Not sure how successful this was until we receive an update from the Police.

**Multi Wheel Facility** – a report is being prepared by Liberata to be submitted to the Executive to show the exact proposals for the site. This should be reviewed at the July meeting. A second proposal from a different (commercial) organisation has also been submitted. The Executive will make a decision as to which will be the most beneficial to the residents of Pendle.

**Golf at Primet** – the boy in question has not been seen playing golf on the field lately. The PCSO did call round at the residents house who made the complaint and they agreed to leave it for now but the Officer will go back out if it is reported again in the future.

**Glenn Street Shop** – Trading Standards are following up on the complaints that were made at the last meeting. A further update should be available for the next meeting.

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

**49 North Street** – damaged property reported which has been an issue at this address before. Windows smashed and door kicked in and persons are getting inside to sleep. Back yard also full of rubbish. Previously had a section 215 served on the property.

**Action:** Nick Harbour to report to the relevant department at the Council

**Lack of Police presence at meetings** – disappointment voiced at the lack of a Police presence at tonight's meeting.

**Action:** Jerry to write to the Police to express the disappointment.

**Parking on pavements and at bus stops** – concerns raised over people parking their vehicles on pavements generally in residential areas and at bus stops on Harrison Drive.

**Greenfield Road** – reports that vehicles are ignoring the 'no through road' signage between Whitewalls Drive and Colne Road. This is a policing matter.

**Action:** Jerry to include in his report to Police

**Vandalism at playgrounds** – damage caused at playgrounds on Skipton Road, Millennium Green and Waterside parks. Suggestions that it could be the same people who are vandalising the bus shelters. Another issue that is a policing matter.

**Action:** Include Playgrounds on the relevant PACT priorities.

**Unsafe Taxis** – concerns over the safety of taxis in Colne. Also, suggestions that the drivers could be operating the vehicle without the necessary licences.

**Action:** The affected resident to notify Jerry of the time and date of her conveyance in a taxi with no displayed ID and the vehicle appearing unsafe..

**Drug dealing** – potential drug dealing taking place opposite the shop near the viaduct.

**West Street vandalism** – reports made to the Police about young people causing trouble and vandalising things down at West Street. Possibly because of all the rubble around there just being thrown around.

**Theft of capping stones** - Cllr Cockburn-Price – reported theft of capping stones from Back Duke Street, Back Earl Street, Bond Street and Back Skipton Road.

**Man photographing children** – Laneshaw Bridge Parish Council have raised concerns after a man has been reported to be taking pictures of young children on parks in the area.

**Action:** Notify Police and ask that they attend the next Laneshaw Bridge Parish Council meeting to discuss further ways of preventing this happening again.

**Travellers at Leisure Centre car park** – reported that travellers occupied the Leisure centre car park causing damage by breaking the barrier; there being more than six vehicles the Police have powers to immediately move them on but this was not actioned.

**Shaw's Fruit & Veg footpath** – problem still not resolved with the disturbed footpath flagstones at Shaw's Fruit & Veg shop with the exception of two marker cones.

**Multiple problems in Horsfield** – *please see attachment for a full list of concerns.*

**Hospice Shop** – Jerry was requested by the Hospice Shop to ask about the Shop Watch scheme which used to provide police contact radios to give immediate response to crime issues. This has fallen into disuse, their radio removed and they have been subject to various offences such as theft, fake money and intoxicated people entering the shop. Request for introduction of a similar way of protecting themselves.

**Action:** Jerry will mention this to the Police.

## 5. Crime Statistics & PACT Priorities

No crime statistics were sent through, and no Police presence at the meeting means this item could not be reported on this time.

	Waterside		Horsfield		Colne Rural & Foulridge		Vivary Bridge		Total		Plus/minus
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	
Burglary in a dwelling	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Burglary other than in a dwelling	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Vehicle Crime	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Hate Crime	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
D/V assaults	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Licensed premises assaults	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Criminal Damage/ Arson	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
All Crime	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
ASB	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

## **PACT Priorities**

No Police presence to give any new priorities, but the following are those that were in effect last time.

### **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) Alkincoates 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, 15<sup>th</sup> June 2017

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