

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Colne and District Working Group of the
Colne Community Safety Partnership held at Colne Town Hall on 07th July, 2016**

PRESENT

Jerry Stanford –Chair – in the Chair

Audrey Broughton	Friends of Alkincoates Park & Nature Reserve
Carol Riley	Friends of Alkincoates Park & Nature Reserve
Alice Mann	Waterside Neighbourhood Action Group
Yvonne May	Resident
Kevin McNulty	Castle Rd NW
Helena Cryer	Lancashire Police - RJ
Kevin Dolphin	Lancashire Police
Carl Nevison	Lancashire Police
Councillor Sarah Cockburn-Price	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor David Clegg	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Tony Greaves	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Graham Roach	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Dorothy Lord	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 David Foat and Marion Snowden.

2. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 09th June, 2016 were approved as a true and correct record.

3. Update on Restorative Justice

Helena Cryer, the co-ordinator from the Police Restorative Justice scheme gave a short overview of what the service is all about and how it links in with some of the issues that are discussed at the Colne CSP. The service now has an RJ manager, 4 co-ordinators, 2 administration staff and numerous volunteers assisting. Some additional training will be offered to anyone else who would like to help out with the scheme. The training will be delivered sometime in September. Links are now being made with local schools, and some students have been given RJ training to help resolve issues 'in house' to save on Police time. This is working quite well in Burnley and it was suggested that it could be something to look into at schools in Colne. Figures are quite high at schools in the local area in relation to Police call outs so it would be beneficial all round. It was also suggested that the team may be able to assist Tim Horsley with some of his caseload.

Action: Jerry to pass on Helena's contact details to Tim. Helana to pass on RJ details to Pendle Council to add to the Borough Council and Town Council websites.

4. Matters Arising

Late night speeding cars & traffic matters – Having contacted Andrew Stephenson with regards to the traffic issues around the town, Jerry had received a letter in reply. The letter stated that Andrew Stephenson has been in touch with the Police Commissioner and Chief Constable to express his concerns with the issues around the town. Andrew is currently awaiting a response to see if any additional funding can be put towards resolving the ongoing issues. He will contact Jerry once he receives a reply.

Parked cars – Hartley Terrace – Sue had emailed some photos of a car that has now been parked there for two weeks. Tim Hoesley will be going round to the garage site again to speak to the owners. Jerry and Alice had been up to the site to take some photos of the access up to the bridge. It is difficult to see any oncoming vehicles and there is a good chance there could be an accident unless something is done.

Action: Tim to speak to the owners of the garage site again. Jerry is to speak to Simon Bucknall about the possibility of getting some mirrors up by the bridge. There are possibilities that the Waterside Neighbourhood Action Group could contribute to some of the cost.

Taxis parking at Hippodrome – Jerry had contacted Jackie Allen following a complaint at the last meeting about cars parking outside the Hippodrome. Unfortunately, it seems that not much can be done, as the parking restrictions allow cars to park there from 18:00 – 08:00. She suggested that the group contact Highways to see if the restrictions could be changed or a drop off point is set up outside the Hippodrome.

Action: Jerry awaiting a response from Simon Bucknall about the possibilities of a drop off point being put in place. He will report back the outcome at the next meeting.

5. Matters of Concern

Stolen bird table – Reports of a bird table being stolen up in Alkincoates. Not known if the crime was reported to the Police or not.

Bus stop at Alkincoates – long distance reported between bus stops in Alkincoates and lack of protection from the elements. Can something be done?

Action: Sarah has already reported this to the Council and they are looking to move an old bus shelter into the new location.

CCTV in Colne – the new cctv is almost good to go. It will be being discussed at the Full Council meeting on 20th July, where Members will look to agree the number of poles to be put up, and discuss whereabouts they might go. They will be a great help to the Police, as there will also be a live stream running back to the Police Station, and officers out on the beat can also get a stream directly to their smart phones.

Tractors speeding – A number of tractors have been spotted speeding down Keighley Road. Due to the sheer size of them, concerns have been raised as if they hit someone they could cause some serious injuries, or worse.

Action: Jerry will speak to Simon Bucknall about what we can do to get the tractors to slow down. A camera could be an option if it's perhaps placed somewhere around Hartley Homes.

Uninsured taxis – reports of a resident of Colne being knocked off his bike by what turned out to be an uninsured taxi. In the most recent spot check, 74% of taxis were taken off the road due to problems. This was noted as an alarmingly high figure.

Action: Jerry will notify Jackie Allen of the incident.

Damage to cars – People asked to be vigilant after a number of expensive cars have been reported to be damaged around Primet Heights. Chipped windows and scratches have been found on the vehicles.

Signage in Laneshawbridge – reported that some old signage is yet to be removed in Laneshawbridge.

Action: Jerry to email Simon Bucknall to enquire as to when it will be going.

6. Crime Statistics & PACT Priorities

Carl Nevison presented the crime figures for June 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	2	3	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	8	9	+1
Burglary other than in a dwelling	1	3	1	1	1	2	5	0	1	0	9	6	-3
Vehicle Crime	4	5	10	0	8	0	7	3	1	0	30	8	-22
Hate Crime	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	-2
D/V assaults	0	1	1	2	0	1	2	3	0	0	3	7	+4
Licensed premises assaults	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	=
Other assaults	4	3	5	4	0	2	7	5	0	1	16	15	-1
Criminal Damage/ Arson	7	11	8	8	0	1	4	3	2	0	21	23	+2
All Crime	35	44	39	36	11	12	38	22	6	5	132	119	-13
ASB	27	44	27	38	4	9	31	25	2	4	91	120	+29

***Some members of the group requested a link to where the statistics can be found in full for all crimes – they can be found at <https://data.police.uk/>**

PACT Priorities

Waterside

- Increase in shoplifting in Colne town centre and retail parks – regular foot patrols carried out around the town centre and larger stores, 2 well known shoplifters have been identified and dealt with for those offences.
- Youths causing anti-social behaviour on Hawley 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.

Vivary Bridge

- ASB on the area including Alkincoates Park/ Nature Reserve and Barcroft Street Bowling Green – attention by the dedicated evening ASB car.
- Parking on ZIG-ZAG's outside schools – police patrols at dropping off/ picking up times. Motorists warned where appropriate. Daily patrols both on foot and during ASB patrols in the Alkincoates Park/ Nature Reserve area with nothing of note, spoken with Liz from parks dep't who also states no issues in the area. Sporadic visits to both Lord St and Sacred Heart Schools, with few parents being warned re parking on Zig-zags and double yellows.

Colne Rural

- Speeding on Skipton Road, Colne.
- Night poaching in the rural areas.

7. Any Other Business

Drinking in town centre

A matter was raised in regards to the previously mentioned issue with people drinking in the streets, and what punishment people are receiving for doing this. Carl Nevison said that frequent offenders were being punished with fines etc. A more common sense approach is taken with those who are perhaps out of towners and they are just asked to dispose of their alcohol.

8. Date of Next Meeting:

- Thursday, 04th August, 2016

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