

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Colne and District Working Group of the  
Colne Community Safety Partnership held at Colne Town Hall on 06<sup>th</sup> July, 2017**

**PRESENT**

Jerry Stanford – in the Chair

Audrey Broughton	Friends of Alkincoats Park & Nature Reserve
Sue Bryant-Sharples	WNAG
Roger Whitehead	Resident
Kevin McNulty	Castle Rd NW
Jim Smart	NVRA
David Cleal	Police
Councillor David Clegg	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Margaret Foxley	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Dorothy Lord	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Tony Greaves	Pendle Borough Council
Tim Horsley	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 Yvonne May, Alice Mann and Carol Riley

**2. Minutes of last meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2017 were approved as a true and correct record.

**3. Matters Arising**

**CCTV Cameras** – An agreement was reached between the clerk at the town hall and the Police to do a weekly check of any recordings that needed viewing.

**Drunk outside library** – Tim Horsley and the Police now working on this. The library are also filling in evidence sheets noting down exact dates, times and what is happening.

**Action:** Continue to monitor

**Greenfield Road Rat Run** – speed bumps will be put in place to help deter the irresponsible driving. Funding is being sought from Lancashire County Council to get some gates installed.

**Child Grooming (at McDonalds)** – Police are monitoring the situation very closely, but as yet have not found any evidence of this happening since it was reported at the last meeting.

**Speed trap on Castle Road** – David Cleal did email the office which deals with the monitoring of the speed trap but hasn't yet heard back. He will update at the next meeting.

**Action:** David Cleal to chase if nothing reported back in the next few days.

**Pavement Parking on Harrison Drive** – Police have been up and monitored the area and found no offences to have taken place. Residents claim that the problem is still occurring.

**Action:** David Cleal will ask Ivan and the team to keep an eye out when passing the area and monitor the situation further.

**Drug dealing on Knotts Lane** – Police have been visiting the site and nothing suspicious has yet been identified.

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

**Fern Street drug dealing** – David Cleal is monitoring this situation and is gathering evidence to look to get a warrant.

**Action:** Police continue to monitor.

**Police Presence at Laneshaw Bridge Parish Council meeting** – Police were not present at the most recent meeting of the Laneshaw Bridge Parish Council, however, it's unclear whether the Councillors have asked the Police to attend it.

**Action:** Councillors to email Tim Hitchen and invite a Police presence to attend future meetings.

**14 Allendale Street** – Issue reported to Fleet Street. Council taking care of the problem.

**Byron Road dog bins** – Issue reported to Fleet Street. Council taking care of the problem.

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

**ASB at Cemetery** – reports that youths have been seen running along the walls at the cemetery and causing general mischief.

**Action:** David Cleal to inform the local PCSO and ask that they monitor the area closely.

**Abandoned campervan** – a campervan has been abandoned at the old garage site on North Street. Children have been seen playing in it, which could be dangerous pending on what's inside it.

**Action:** Tim Horsley will look to get the campervan removed.

**Hubs House Farm** – Cattle have been spotted on the golf course having escaped from Hubs House Farm. More rubbish reported to have been dumped at the Castercliff Memorial.

**Action:** Item going to the committee meeting following this meeting. A further update will be given at the next Safety Partnership meeting. Any further incidents arising in the next few weeks need to be reported directly to Tim Horsley at the Council.

**Potholes in roads** – conversation about the state of the roads in Pendle as a whole. Dangerous holes in many of the roads.

**Action:** Councillors are currently preparing a list of potholes in their area that will be sent on to Lancashire County Council for review.

**Parking at Ward Street/ Lenches** – residents unhappy that the issue with parking on double yellow lines has started to occur again.

**Action:** Police to monitor when in the area. Mainly a LCC issue though.

**Fly Tipping** – Lots of issues with fly tipping across the whole of Colne. Mainly building materials that are being dumped. Also spotted numerous cannabis leaves being dumped in bags around Waterside.

**Action:** Nick Harbour to report the issue to Fleet Street and ask that they monitor the parks in particular.

**Raised paving at market** – six months on and the raised flags outside the market still haven't been sorted. Cones are put out during the day but taken in at night so people can't see the hazard.

**Action:** Nick Harbour to report the issue to Scott Whalley.

**Overgrown hedging** – overgrown branches and hedging is causing obstructions on the footpaths next to The Grange, Delta Nursing Home and Hartley Homes. It is causing people to have to walk in the roads to avoid being brushed.

**Action:** Nick Harbour to report the issue to Lee Johnson. May be that the occupiers need contacting if the properties in question are privately owned.

**Colne Police Station counter closure** – consultation taking place whereby the Police are proposing that 10 of the 23 front counters in Lancashire are closed to the public – this includes Colne. If anyone wishes to take part in the consultation they are asked to email the Police and Crime Commissioner at [commissioner@lancashire-pcc.gov.uk](mailto:commissioner@lancashire-pcc.gov.uk) and title the subject Front Counter Review.

**Action:** Residents to take part if they wish.

## 5. Crime Statistics & PACT Priorities

David Cleal presented the crime figures for June 2017, together with figures for the same period in 2016

	Waterside		Horsfield		Colne Rural		Vivary Bridge		Foulridge		Total		Plus/minus
	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	2016	2017	
Burglary in a dwelling	3	4	1	3	2	1	2	1	1	0	9	9	=
Burglary other than in a dwelling	3	6	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	6	7	+1
Vehicle Crime	5	3	0	2	0	4	3	3	0	0	8	12	+1
Hate Crime	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	=
D/V assaults	1	1	2	2	1	1	3	2	0	0	7	6	-1
Licensed premises assaults	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	+2
Other assaults	3	12	4	12	2	0	5	1	1	0	15	25	+10
Criminal Damage/ Arson	11	6	8	12	1	2	3	5	0	1	23	26	+3
All Crime	44	50	36	52	12	11	22	28	5	2	119	143	+24
ASB	44	38	38	28	9	9	25	21	4	4	120	100	-20

## **PACT Priorities**

### **Waterside:**

- 1) Shoplifting in Colne town centre and retail parks.

### **Horsfield:**

- 1) ASB on King Georges playing field
- 2) ASB in and around the North Valley retail park (KFC, McDonalds, Sainsburys).
- 3) ASB and on-street drinking in Colne town centre.

### **Vivary Bridge:**

- 1) Youths congregating and causing ASB on Alkincoats Park.
- 2) Youths congregating and causing ASB on the North Valley estate.

### **Colne Rural:**

- 1) Thefts from vehicles on Wycoller car park
- 2) Youths congregating at the cemetery

## **6. Any Other Business**

No other business was raised.

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

- Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> August 2017

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