

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Colne and District Working Group of the
Colne Community Safety Partnership held at Colne Town Hall on 09th November, 2017**

PRESENT

Jerry Stanford – in the Chair

Audrey Broughton	Friends of Alkincoats Park & Nature Reserve
Yvonne M. May	Resident of Waterside
Sue Bryant-Sharple	WNAG
Jim Smart	NVRA
Councillor David Clegg	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Sarah Cockburn-Price	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Margaret Foxley	Pendle Borough Council
Councillor Tony Greaves	Pendle Borough Council
Nick Harbour	Pendle Borough Council
Ivan Hartley	Police

1. Welcomes and Apologies

The Chairman welcomed everybody to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance.

Apologies were received from Tim Hitchen, David Cleal, Kevin McNulty, Carol Riley and Marion Snowden.

2. Minutes of last meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 05th October, 2017 were approved as a true and correct record.

3. Matters Arising

ASB in Alkincoats Park – Shaun Spencer was recently reported to the Police by the owners of the café at Alkincoats Park for urinating in the baby changing facilities whilst a member of the public was in there with her child. However, for the Police to take action they need the lady to report the incident herself. Shaun has had two previous court summons for urinating in the town centre. Sandra Proctor at Housing Pendle is working on getting an injunction at Shaun's grandad's and auntie's house – the two home owners need to co-operate.

Action: Continue to monitor.

North Street caravans – Caravans have moved since the last meeting. One is now on Lilac Street, one is at the junction of North Street and Keighley Road. The other one had been torched down near The Arches and has been taken away by the Council.

Action: Continue to monitor and work on getting the caravans moved.

North Street trolley dash – Ivan has been to visit the lady who has the incident on CCTV. The lady wasn't at home but Ivan put a card through her door with his contact details asking her to call him so the Police can continue with the investigation.

Cricket Club ASB - No update with this incident yet. No further problems have occurred at the cricket club this past month.

Hubs House Farm – Pendle Borough Council, the Police, Environment Agency, Fire Service and Lancashire County Council all still busy working on the Hubs House Farm case. They are looking to take the property owners vehicles from him. The Fire Service are also sending a drone over the site to monitor the goings on at the farm. Jerry had also written to Andrew Winter raising the Colne CSP concerns.

Action: Continue to monitor the situation.

Overgrown hedges on footpaths – All hedges that were reported as overgrown have now been cut back.

AED map progress – Jerry has written to Chris Barnes seeking an update on whether the maps showing where the defibrillators in Colne are located are nearly ready. He's yet to receive a response.

Locality review – The review will be going ahead on 29th November 2017. The organisers asked if there were any specific groups who they could get in touch with that could assist with the review.

Action: Pass on details of 'The Nook' children's home, Burnley Football Club in the Community and New Ground Together to the organisers.

Exchange Street caravan – The caravan has now been removed.

Rutland Street paving issue – Awaiting LCC to go out and look into the problem. New photos were sent to them last week highlighting precisely where the issue is.

Large vehicle problems at Glenroy – Vehicles now appearing to take an alternative route.

Trawden Graffiti – No new incidents reported this month.

4. Matters of Concern

Suspicious activity at Alkincoats Park – A man was seen in the car park at Alkincoats Park taking photographs of his car. Residents thought this was suspicious and asked that the Police look into this further. They passed on the registration plate number to Ivan.

Action: - Police to monitor the area and do a registration check on the vehicle.

Off Licence signage – Reports of misrepresentation at the off licence at the bottom of Albert Road. Signage states that the alcohol in the store is the 'cheapest in Britain' – yet the owner sells the goods for the standard price.

Action: Jerry to contact trading standards.

Holt House flashing car lights – Cars have been spotted up at Holt House flashing their lights at one another on the car park. It is suspected that this could possibly be related to drug dealing.

Action: Police to investigate. David Clegg to also notify the Police through 101 next time the issue is spotted.

Potholes on Waterside Road – People are still having issues with potholes down at Waterside Road/ Colne Lane. LCC recently fixed 5 of them but there are many, many more that need looking at.

Litter pick at Sainsbury's – Following a recent organised litter pick in the area surrounding Sainsbury's, Cllr. Cockburn-Price reported that a large amount of drug paraphernalia had been picked up. She reported this to the manager of the store (Mike O'Hara), who has promised that the whole site will be cleaned within the next month.

Mattress in the river – Report that a mattress had been dumped in the river. The resident who tried to get it shifted had lots of problems trying to get it removed when speaking to Pendle Borough Council, the Environment Agency and the Rivers and Canal Trust. The mattress had been swept away by the river the following day after heavy rains.

5. Crime Statistics & PACT Priorities

Ivan Hartley presented the crime figures for October 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	8	1	6	0	2	2	4	2	0	8	20	+12
Burglary other than in a dwelling	2	9	2	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	5	13	+8
Vehicle Crime	5	5	2	4	0	3	2	11	0	0	9	23	+14
Hate Crime	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	-2
D/V assaults	3	2	1	1	0	0	3	5	0	1	7	9	+2
Licensed premises assaults	2	0	7	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	-10
Other assaults	6	4	5	8	0	1	5	3	4	0	20	16	-4
Criminal Damage/ Arson	12	6	10	6	1	1	8	2	0	0	31	15	-16
All Crime	63	67	39	47	6	8	32	40	7	1	147	163	+16
ASB	27	25	24	30	2	3	20	23	3	4	76	85	+9

PACT Priorities

Waterside:

- 1) Shoplifting in Colne town centre and retail parks.
- 2) Youths causing ASB and smoking cannabis within the Cemetery grounds on Keighley Road.
- 3) Motor cycle nuisance on Midgley Street and Blucher Street.

Horsfield:

- 1) ASB on King Georges playing field.
- 2) Coping stone thefts from walls.

Vivary Bridge:

- 1) Sean Spencer a nuisance at his auntie's on Talbot Street and also taking drink induced naps on Alkincoats Park.
- 2) Issues at North Street.

Colne Rural:

- 1) Speeding through Laneshawbridge along the A6068.

6. Any Other Business

No other business was raised.

7. Date of Next Meeting:

- Thursday, 7th December 2017

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