**Minutes of a Meeting of the Colne and District Working Group of the**

**Colne Community Safety Partnership held at Colne Town Hall on 10th January, 2019**

**PRESENT**

Jerry Stanford – in the Chair

Audrey Broughton Friends of Alkincoats Park & Nature Reserve

Roger Whitehead Waterside Neighbourhood Action

Councillor Alice Mann Waterside Neighbourhood Action

Kevin McNulty Horsfield Resident & Castle Rd NHW

Councillor Jonathan Nixon Pendle Borough Council

Councillor Dorothy Lord Pendle Borough Council

Councillor Tony Greaves Pendle Borough Council

Councillor Sarah Cockburn-Price Pendle Borough Council

Nick Harbour Pendle Borough Council

D Dolan Resident

L Bracewell Resident

J Nolan Resident

D Nolan Resident

Lesley Morville Resident

Chris Resident

1. **Welcomes and Apologies**

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

Apologies received from Carol Riley & Yvonne May.

1. **Minutes of last meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 10th December, 2018 were approved as a true and correct record.

1. **Matters Arising**

**North Valley Takeaway** – Councillor Fletcher not present to give an update on the spent oil issue that was first raised at the August 2018 meeting.

**Neighbourhood Policing Issues** – Jerry recently attended the Full Community Safety Partnership meeting where Chief Superintendent Matt Horn spoke of how the Police are planning on tackling neighbourhood policing issues. The main points raised that would affect this group are the staffing levels, which CS Horn stated wouldn’t really be changing for Colne. For full details, please see the attached minutes from that meeting.

**LCC Highways issues** – as mentioned at the last meeting, Jerry had written to Simon Bucknell at LCC seeking a response to various highways issues raised at previous meetings. He hasn’t yet received a response.

**Firework sales** – Jerry was asked at the last meeting to raise the issue of firework sales at the Full Community Safety Partnership meeting – he did this and it is something that the Full CSP will look at in the coming months. Whilst it may reduce some of the problems, fireworks can be purchased over the internet, for which there is not much services in the local area can do about.

**Sheep in the river** – following on from the last meeting where concerns were raised about the amount of time, money and resource put into rescuing a sheep from the river, Caroline Harrison from the Fire Service gave a quick update. She stated that crews from Nelson, Colne and Darwen were present (Nelson and Darwen due to their specialist rescue capabilities). This decision was made by the Incident Commander who was present. No cost implications were mentioned in the response.

**Action:** - Jerry to respond to Caroline at the Fire Service seeking information on the financial implications of the rescue.

**Trawden Graffiti** – more graffiti has been spotted in Trawden. Police not present at this meeting to check if they have spoken with the person who was suspected of this last year.

**Action:** - check with Police if they have any leads on this and if they have spoken with the person suspected of similar offences last year.

1. **Matters of Concern**

**ASB in North Valley/ Byron Road** – a lengthy discussion took place on how to combat the issue of youth’s committing anti-social behaviour in North Valley and Byron Road, particularly at Sainsbury’s. Offences include being rude to members of the public, throwing eggs at cars and riding bikes around Sainsbury’s.

Suggestions to combat the issue:

* Public Protection Orders on the offenders
* Work with schools to identify the offenders
* Use CCTV images or photographs of the offenders and put them out on social media to identify them
* Give local children somewhere to go where it is warm, safe, has entertainment and food available
* Work with Burnley Football Club in the Community to give the children something to do

**Action:** - Councillor Nixon and Lesley Morville to arrange a meeting inviting various organisations who could get together to help resolve the problem. This will include the Police Early Action Team, Pendle Borough Council, Burnley Football Club in the Community, Horsfield Residents Association, Together Housing, PAC, local youths and their parents.

Parents to arrange with Dorothy a separate meeting whereby the youths are invited along to meet with members of the Colne CSP to explain exactly what facilities they would want to keep them off the streets.

1. **Crime Statistics & PACT Priorities**

Unfortunately, a problem with the new software the Police use to record crime figures was down in the build up to this meeting, meaning no figures for December were available.

However, Jerry did briefly run through the statistics for the whole of Pendle which were recently presented at the Full Community Safety Partnership meeting he attended.

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| **Category** | **YTD Performance 2018-2019\*** | **Performance Description** |
| ***All Crime*** | +45% | Year to date, all crime has increased by 45%. This increase has been seen in East BCU (48%) and pan Lancashire (42%). Violent crime has contributed to the increase in all crime.  |
| ***Domestic Abuse*** | **DV** +80% (188)**DA** +112% (418) | Domestic violence offences have increased, as have domestic abuse offences. Domestic assaults have increased by 80%  |
| ***All violence against the person*** | +80% (938) | Violent crime continues to increase in Pendle, in East BCU and pan Lancashire. Exceptionally high numbers have continued since April 2018.  |
| ***Alcohol Related Crime*** | +58% (232) | Alcohol related crime has increased by 58%, alcohol related violence has increased by 29% (67). Alcohol related violence accounts for approximately half of all alcohol related crime. |
| ***Burglary***  | +24% (113) | Residential burglary has increased by 27% (67) and business and community burglary offences increased by 21% (46).  |
| ***Vehicle Crime***  | -10% (-36) | All vehicle crime has decreased, with decreases in theft from a vehicle and vehicle interference. Vehicle taking has increased by 9% (7) |
| ***Criminal Damage and arson***  | +18% (105) | Increases have been recorded in all categories of damage. Arson offences have decreased by 4% (2)  |
| ***Anti-Social Behaviour*** | -30% (-777) | Environmental ASB decreased by 37% (-37). Nuisance ASB decreased by 12% (-162).Personal ASB decreased by 50% (578).  |
| ***KSIs*** | -18.2% (-4) | Year to date, there has been a reduction of the number of RTCs in East BCU and in Pendle district. There was a reduction of 5 serious injury RTCs.There has been an increase of 22 slight injury collisions |

**PACT Priorities**

**Waterside:**

1. Shoplifting in Colne town centre and retail parks.
2. Motor cycle nuisance on Midgley Street and Blucher Street.
3. Youths causing anti-social behaviour in the Waterside area.
4. Drug issues at Millennium Green.
5. Monitor rough sleepers outside old Blockbusters and the library.
6. New Market Street speeding vehicles.
7. Stone thefts

**Horsfield:**

1. ASB on King George’s playing field.
2. Youths causing ASB at McDonalds and Sainsbury’s.

**Vivary Bridge:**

1. Shoplifting at TK Max.

**Colne Rural:**

1. Incidents at Ball Grove Park.

**6. Any Other Business**

No other business.

**7. Date of Next Meeting:**

* Thursday, 07th February 2019

Commencing at 5.30 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Colne Town Hall