

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Colne and District Community Safety Working Group  
held at Colne Town Hall on Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> November 2021  
Cllr Mark Chung – in the Chair**

Cllr Mark Chung	Colne Town Council
Cllr Kevin McNulty	Colne Town Council
Cllr Ash Sutcliffe	LCC & Pendle Borough Council
Stuart Banks	NPT
Kevin Dolphin	NPT
Cllr D. Cockburn-Price	Pendle Borough Council & Colne Town Council
Cllr S. Cockburn-Price	Pendle Borough Council & Colne Town Council
Tim Horsley	Pendle Borough Council
Mary Peden	Resident - Newmarket St.
Yvonne May	Resident - Primet Heights
Cllr Alice Mann	Waterside Action Group
Roger Whitehead	Waterside Action Group

### **1. Introductions and Apologies**

Apology received from Jerry Stanford.

### **2. Minutes of last meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2021 were approved as a true and correct record.

### **3. Matters Arising**

#### **Police Actions:**

#### **Toyota van using another car's registration number**

- Stuart Banks asked that the registration number is provided to them before they can investigate.

**Action: whoever reported this at a previous CSP meeting, please send the registration number to the Chair.**

#### **Knotts Lane neighbour harassment**

- Stuart Banks advised the best way forward would be to go down the restorative justice & mediation route.

**Action: Police to arrange.**

#### **Long-term parking of vehicle with advertising hoarding**

- Vehicle not currently parked – item closed.

## **Chair Actions:**

### **Car parking on pavement top Cleveland Street**

- Car is still being parked and the police advised it is not illegally parked under the current law.
- The police also advised that they can investigate cars parked on pavements if they are blocking access to a property.
- Other examples of cars being parked on pavements in other areas of Colne were provided by Cllr Sutcliffe.

**Action: Chair to write to Andrew Stephenson MP to request changes to the law to prevent vehicles being parked wholly or obstructively on pavements.**

### **Pigeon detritus under road bridge by Colne Station**

- PBC has cleaned the pavement but detritus soon returns and needs to be regularly cleaned.
- It has been suggested to PBC that netting is installed under the bridge to prevent pigeons nesting/settling under the bridge. PBC advised that Network Rail are responsible for the bridge and has contacted them.

**Action: Chair to ask PBC how often they will clean the pavement to prevent injury to pedestrians.**

**Action: Chair to follow up netting suggestion with Network Rail & PBC.** We also said we can ask Colne BID whether they can use their hired hawk in this area.

### **Street lighting dimmed Castle Road & Hereford Street**

- Email received from Steve Sanderson, Ops Manager, Street Lighting, LCC. He advised the street lighting should be switched on at dusk on full power, then dims down after 19:00 in the evening to a lower level, during quieter periods and then returns to full power at 07:00, as the roads become busier until it switches off at dawn. This profile is used throughout the county and they are unable to change it.
- Local residents have reported the lighting is not operating as Mr. Sanderson has advised.

**Action: Chair to respond to Mr. Sanderson and request the lighting is checked.**

### **Anti-social behaviour in Peel Rd**

- Update received from Alan Davies (Together Housing). The tenant causing the ASB is moving out on or around 7/11.
- Mr. Davies also reported that there was another ASB issue being caused by three tenants in two different properties on Cross Street West. This is being monitored & managed by Together Housing.

### **Speed Indicator Devices (SPIDS) Update – Cllrs D. & S. Cockburn-Price**

- SPIDS need to be owned by a Parish or Town Council. Trawden PC has agreed to take ownership of the SPIDS and will buy them. Any proposed sites need to be surveyed and approved by LCC prior to installation.

**Action: DC-P is liaising with Alan Cox, Road Safety, at LCC**

#### 4. Matters of Concern:

##### **Cllr Ash Sutcliffe**

- Is it possible to use one of the speed indicator trailers in Colne?

**Action: Police to check availability**

##### **Cllr Sarah Cockburn-Price**

- Rough Sleeper in Alkincoates Parks is harassing women and dog walkers. two incidents have been reported to the police who have investigated and spoken to the man. Since the CSP meeting, the man was arrested on 6<sup>th</sup> November near the Leeds-Liverpool canal after attacking a dog walker.
- Parking issue in Laneshaw Bridge. A resident is putting barrels outside her house when she is at work or out and also when she is away. This is restricting parking for local residents and some are putting out their own obstacles. Laneshawbridge PC has written to her.

**Action: SC-P to send details to Stuart Banks & Tim Horsley.**

##### **Kevin McNulty**

- Hereford Lighting – see item 3: Chair Actions
- Speeding in Shaw Street, need SPIDS ASAP

##### **Roger Whitehead**

- Issue on Wood Street with somebody feeding 40 pigeons.

##### **Mary Peden**

- Stone slabs on New Market Street. Cllr. Sutcliffe has advised that since the CSP meeting, they have been re-instated.

##### **Alice Mann**

- Speeding motorcycle round Millennium Green. On several Saturday mornings ~11.00 a.m., a man and a child have been seen riding a motorcycle. Police asked local residents to call them if the man is seen again.

**Action: local residents to call police on 111.**

- Does CCTV in Colne help the police? Police advise it is good quality, but unlike other towns, it is not monitored 24 hours per day. If any incidents occur, police have access to the Colne CCTV system.
- Lighting in Colne Bus station.

**Action: AM to pass details onto to Tim Horsley.**

- Increase in graffiti (rats!) at the bus stop near the Muni.

**Action: AM to report to CTC Town Clerk.**

## 5. Crime Statistics & Police Priorities

### The crime figures for October:

The crime figures for October, together with figures for the same period in 2020, were overviewed by Stuart Banks:

- Assaults increase – an assault can be an incident of pushing and grabbing (including school children)
- Burglary increase – three burglaries reported at one address.
- ASB increase – around/at Sainsburys
- Thefts increase – mainly down to two individuals shoplifting who have been now arrested.
- Police look at the priorities (increase crimes) and concentrate on them.

	Waterside		Horsfield		Colne Rural		Vivary Bridge		Foulridge		Total		Plus/minus
	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	2020	2021	
<b>Burglary – Residential</b>	1	5	7	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	12	5	<b>-7</b>
<b>Burglary – Commercial</b>	3	0	2	0	0	0	3	1	2	0	10	1	<b>-9</b>
<b>Vehicle Crime</b>	9	6	6	1	2	0	3	3	0	0	20	10	<b>-10</b>
<b>Hate Crime</b>	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	<b>+1</b>
<b>Assaults</b>	7	23	5	7	1	5	2	9	3	3	18	47	<b>+29</b>
<b>Theft</b>	7	7	9	22	2	1	13	4	1	0	32	34	<b>+2</b>
<b>Criminal Damage</b>	5	4	6	4	2	0	2	1	2	0	17	9	<b>-8</b>
<b>All Crime</b>	58	75	68	64	17	12	52	33	11	7	206	191	<b>-15</b>
<b>ASB</b>	64	20	52	62	4	8	32	29	4	1	156	120	<b>-36</b>

## 6. CYAG Update:

### Cllr. Sarah Cockburn-Price

- CYAG now has a permanent employee.
- Should hear soon about taking over the building at Byron Road from LCC.
- Have been attending school assemblies (3 per week) and holding lunchtime sessions at schools.
- Planted 3,000 bulbs on the banking on Byron Road.
- Asda grant received for an air hockey table & a table football table
- CYAG in Trawden will be starting on a Wednesday at the Community Centre.

## **7. Any Other Business**

### **Report to Pendle CSP**

- Copy available on request

### **Secretary Role**

- Secretary still required.

**Action: please ask around and if anybody is interested, please advise the Chair.**

### **27<sup>th</sup> November Christmas Fair**

- Stall has been booked and subject to PBC accounts paying then we will be all set to go for the CSP Roadshow. It is expected to be a 09.30 set-up with 10.00 start; confirmation that Gail Barton from Our Lancashire will be attending, and it expected that a Police, Fire and possibly Inspire presence will happen during the day. Lots of organisations will be providing leaflets and we will be encouraging residents to attend the Working Group meetings and to set up Neighbourhood Watches in their localities. A spreadsheet will be circulated nearer the time for group members to select slots when they could attend to help on the stand.

**Next Meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2021 at Colne Town Hall, start time 5.30 p.m.**

**Please note that attendance is limited to 20 persons until the pandemic situation eases so will members please let Mark know if they are intending to be there.**

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