Minutes Anti-Social Behaviour Working Group

Spencer Suite, Congleton Town Hall, Thursday 5th March 2020

Present: Cllr Kay Wesley (Chair), Cllr Amanda Martin, Cllr Rob Morton, Cllr Denis Murphy, PC Helen Weeks, Glen Williams, Stuart Hobson (CEC CCTV Manager) Jackie MacArthur (CTC)

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1	Apologies	Julia Pestell Hassell – Cheshire East, Ruth Burgess, David McGifford		
2	To receive notes of meeting of 9 th January 2020	To go to next CES 12 th March 2020 along with today's meeting which will go out for clearing tonight	Jackie Mac	March
3	CCTV - Update	If we identify an area that we want a camera installed on a light column CCTV will talk to highways to check that the column is able to take a camera. – short time delay of a couple of weeks. CCTV to have a technician who can come over and have a look at location in West Street for Congleton.	Stuart Hobson to meet Denis Murphy to check best site for a trial - with aim of adding a	Meet w/c 9/3
		ASB group want the camera to be able to see main evening economy places on West Street. Trial this and using CEC equipment and then t	permanent camera.	Trial asap by CEC

		Councillors can make an informed choice for an additional permanent location – Barn Road or West Street. Recommending to CTC to ear-mark funding from Crime reduction fund 2019/20 to cover a permanent CCTV for Congleton for 20/21 Noted that when two towns in CEC area pulled out of having CCTV cameras monitored crime went up. Within 7 months Towns had opted back in. were paying for CCTV.		
4	Matters Arising Moody Hall Street-a- Week Canal side litter /graffiti	Not aware of any issues recently. Happened on the 24 th February. Knocked on all doors in Brunswick Street (including all flats). Questionnaires filled out. Main issues around cannabis use which is being taken up by Plus Dane. Better than the previous check a few years ago. Believe Plus Dane CCTV and new lighting helped. Next Street a Week ikely to be April/May. Highways were on site and have sorted the graffiti and litter.	CLOSED Police to notify Jackie Mac of next date. Jackie to inform the group of date CLOSED (unless notified of further issues)	When organised
5	Update on Public Space Protection Order	No further reports. Group keen to see PSPO remain in place. We believe that it may run out in November 2020. Contact CEC to find out what the procedure is and next steps	Jackie to write to Laura from CEC on behalf of group	By end of March
6	Bamboogy Event – 9 th April	Congratulations to Cllr Robert Moreton for organising an under 18s night with Bamboogy for the 9 th April. Hoping this first event will be a success and that other venues may want to also put on specific event. Trying to find venues and activities for more events	All to help promote the event. Rob issued posters Rob has spoken to over venues too	Event on 9 th April Ongoing

	Table Tennis	Scheme similar to that Longton – but need an inside shopping centre	Kay to investigate if inside West Heath may be an option.	For next meeting
7	Drug and Alcohol Abuse Hotspot Areas	No particular areas – sporadic calls to the Police about various areas but all one-off incidents. One issue at one particular address being tackled by Police.		
	Priorities	Query about violence on the train back from Manchester. It has been reported to the British Transport Police – what can CTC do to help? Have been that advised British Transport Police will be sorting		
		Group to investigate what information is available to tell the public what to do. Agreed to write to BTP and also Northern Rail to flag up the incidents and concern for our residents.	Action – Jackie to draft letter for a draft	
		Noted in Brighton that every pub now has a non-alcoholic beer and it has been a great success for the pubs. Is this something that is worth raising with the pubs. Could be popular. Interesting to find out how many have a non-alcoholic beer on tap	Action to take to Pub Watch - Jackie or Denis	
8	Anti-Social Behaviour			
	Hotspot Areas	No big areas reported by the Police.		
	Priorities	Issue with Quad Bikes driving recklessly – Bromley Valley Way, Bromley Woods and on roads.	Article for Bear Necessities.	
		If on the road – must have a number plate to be on the road – road legal. If aware of a problem to take the number plate and report to 101.		
		West Heath Shopping Centre – reported in as an issue – Police have been up for the past two weeks – but no issues noted, groups of	Kay to find out if the area by Home Bargain would work.	

	young people gathering in places. Possible location for a Table Tennis area. Car windows broken on the car park in Hankinson's Field – looks like a one-off. Not flagged up as an issue by Police.	No further action	
Vehicles on the Boat by the River Dane	Reported to CEC – keeping an eye on the area not currently at a level where court action for an environmental order is likely to be successful.	Watching brief.	
AOB	 PCSO Jeanette Carter – should be starting and will cover Odd Rode PCSO Amy Heath - will be starting soon as Town Council funded PCSO. Raised an issue from PubWatch about the lack of the Police visibility during the evening. Helen explained the coverage of the Beat Team (Congleton based and on duty until 11pm/midnight). Also two Police late team – basaed out of Macc 		
Dates of Next Meeting	 Thursday 14th May 3.30pm – 5pm Thursday 16th July 3.30 – 5pm Thursday 22nd October 3.30pm – 5pm Thursday 10th December 3.30pm – 5pm Thursday 18th February 3.30pm – 5pm 	JMac to send out calendar invite and book rooms	Once minutes agreed