

Minutes Anti-Social Behaviour Working Group

Zoom Call - Thursday 16th July 2020

Present: Cllr Kay Wesley (Chair), Cllr Amanda Martin, Cllr Denis Murphy, Cllr Sally Holland, Glen Williams, Stg Paul Brunton Cheshire Police, Jackie MacArthur (CTC).

Apologies: Julia Pestell Hassell, Cheshire East, Cllr Rob Moreton, Ruth Burgess (CTC)

Item	Issue	Action	By Whom	When
1	To receive notes 28 th May 2020	These were agreed via email and presented to the 4 th June Community and Environment Committee	Jackie Mac	May
2	Action Log	Reviewed Action Log Outstanding Actions West Street CCTV Bamboogie Youth Event Non-Alcoholic beer on tap Letter to Northern Rail re abusive passengers on the late train home	Cllr Murphy/ JMacA Cllr Moreton Cllr Murphy/ JMacA JMacA	Asap When possible Discussions started July
3	Drug and Alcohol Abuse Hot Spot	Police aware of local issues and continuing to carry out operations. Appears to be more dealing now in the early morning rather than evening and an increase of issues around Waggs Street. Noted traders also reported regular issues in Little Street and Police will follow up. Public has been good at giving intelligence, encourage more to ring 101. Awareness of private CCTV and to approach new owners of Lion and Swan about installation of CCTV to cover Waggs Street and Little Street.	Police Police Cllr Murphy	Update at next meeting

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4	Anti-Social Behaviour Hotspot Areas	<p>Astbury Mere Country Park has generated most concern from the public – particularly with people swimming in the mere. Planning Police presence over the weekend.</p> <p>Other areas have been raised as a problem on more than one occasion</p> <p>Buxton Old Road</p> <p>Mossley Cricket Ground</p> <p>Public raised issues about Cross Lane, the Police are not aware of issues and CTC to encourage the public to ring 101 so that issues are logged and resources can be targeted to areas with issues.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Bear Necessities article - JMacA</p>	<p>Report to next meeting</p> <p>Summer 2020</p>
5	Domestic Violence and Sexual Offences	<p>Police reported 79 incidents since ASB met on the 28th May. This is similar to previous years. Cllr Kay Wesley has been working with the Cheshire Without Abuse (CWA) Group and DI Clare Jensen. CWA run a number of programmes across Cheshire and have hubs in Crewe and Macclesfield. Congleton would like to have its own hub, and as a first step it was suggested that maybe the Police and CWA could hold monthly clinics in Congleton. This idea is to be developed further and a proposal taken to Community Environment and Services on the 30th July.</p>	<p>Paper to go to CE for the 30th July.</p> <p>Will Police and CWA attend FoC Potential Location and costs</p>	<p>23rd July paper</p>
6	Speedwatch and Speeding issues	<p>Contact from a member of Public concerned about speeding on Newcastle Road and wishing to be part of a Speed Watch group.</p> <p>Idea for more Speed Watch groups across Congleton to work with the Police – online and press release information</p>	<p>Paul Brunton to speak with PCSOs re speedwatch activities</p> <p>Article in Bear Necessities</p>	<p>July</p> <p>Summer 2020</p>
7	Silk Mills request for assistance	<p>Residents are concerned that the Right of Way though the land by the Silk Mill is being abused by some inconsiderate people who are causing ASB in the area and issues with drink, drugs and damage. Police urged residents to make complaints via 101 so that they are registered. If enough evidence may be able to look to extend PSPO in the area. Streetscape to carry out some physical improvements to open up the area (as they did with the path by Aldi). CEC ROW and CEC Youth Workers to be informed</p>	<p>Ruth – Streetscape</p> <p>Jackie – ROW</p> <p>Glen – Youth Workers</p> <p>Paul – PCSO awareness</p> <p>Kay – respond to residents.</p>	

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8	Dog attacks	Group made aware of a couple of nasty dog on dog attacks in Congleton Park. Police aware of two different dog attacks, both of which have been dealt with and owners taking actions to prevent it happening again. Public encouraged to report incidents on 101. Cllr Sally Holland to seek more information on the attacks. CTC to encourage local people to respond to the PSPO on Responsible Dog ownership consultation – closes on the 10 th August.		
9.	AOB	Speeding issue at Blossoms Gate Drive, off Back Lane Congleton Edge – motorcyclists and scramble bikes causing a danger/nuisance Neighbourhood/Community Watch groups – encourage more to be set up in Congleton – made COVID-19 neighbourhood Watch groups aware of the opportunity. Police will support local groups. There are currently 7 local groups. https://www.ourwatch.org.uk/	Police to look into Police to add to operation. JMacA Comms	
10	Date of Next Meeting	Thursday 22 October 3.30pm – 5pm	ALL	