

0Minutes Anti-Social Behaviour Working Group

Zoom Call – Thursday 16th September 2021

Present: Cllr Kay Wesley (Chair), Cllr Amanda Martin, Glen Williams, Stg Paul Brunton – Cheshire Police, (CEC), Julia Pestell Hassall (CEC), Paul Bestwick, Jackie MacArthur (CTC)

Apologies: Ruth Burgess (CTC), Cllr Dawn Allen, Cllr Rob Moreton, Cllr Denis Murphy

	Agenda Item	Issue/Action	By Whom	When
1.				
2.	Notes of 8/7/21	agreed by group		
3.	Action Log			
	a) CCTV cameras (jackie/ Denis)	Electricity in place for Lawton Street Camera. Still awaiting camera. Once in place will start on campaign for a camera on West Street CEC to do a site review.	Jackie/Denis re CEC	May
	b) Pub Low Alcohol on draft	Remove from agenda.	Item CLOSED	May
4.	Drug and Alcohol Abuse	Police Action taken in Sheldon Avenue and another drugs operation planned for following week. Spiking incidents believed to have happened in town – none of the victims sort medical advice. Pub Watch to discuss issue. Intel given on a potential issue in Willow Street. PC Helen Hood and PCSO Heath planning a session about drug awareness for the pubs. Also have the drug detection kits (cocaine wipes and torches) for the PubWatch pubs sponsored by the Town Council. Order posters for Toilet doors of pubs re how to get help when in pubs/ reporting Crime Article in Bear Necessities for Winter 2021/22	Congleton Police Police CTC CTC	

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5.	Anti-Social Behaviour	<p>43 incidents in past 6 weeks - decrease of 19 on last time and 9 down Year on Year. Areas of most complaint – Bromley Farm Community Centre (but no reports since August), town centre market area and The Meadows near Mountbatten Way.</p> <p>Good comms with Youth Service, Police and Glen at Bromley Farm and preventative work being carried out with young people on the ASB ladder ABD – Acceptable Behaviour Discussion (voluntary) ABC – Acceptable Behaviour Contract (voluntary – not behaving in certain ways) ASBO – Anti Social Behaviour Order via the courts and has consequences for the families Thoughts for next meeting on how to publicise</p>	ALL	Next meeting
6.	Domestic Violence and Sexual Offences	<p>57 Domestic Violence cases – down 8 since last period. Up 10 year on year. 12 Sexual Offences cases – up 9 on last time and same Year on Year. Domestic Abuse clinics have been running for a year and will be making a presentation to the next Community and Environment Committee. Police supporting with a witness statement.</p>	Kay -October CE t	
7.	Youth Related Issues	Now Bamboogie back open to see if the Youth Event planned for early 2020 can be reorganised .	Rob Moreton	Next Meeting
8.	Police Priorities	<p>Resetting priorities – dealing with long term problem solving, Start from scratch and look to understand the issue and regular proactive work to try and reduce repeat demand. Mental Health nurses work for the police. CBO in Congleton West – targeting individuals with malicious comments Willow Street Market area Trying to help retail re-establish a group to tackle shop lifting – Shops must report incidents Congleton Police will be part of a new Congleton Neighbourhood Policing Unit from early November – to include Sandbach, Alsager, Odd Rode. Front Desk out for review – Paul to send a link on the consultation</p>	<p>Police</p> <p>Paul - when consultation out.</p>	
9.	Update on CCTV	Dealt with at start of meeting		

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10.	Hate Crime	Pride was very successful – but was an issue with pulling down banners in advance of the event. No action taken. Pride group will be meeting with the Police to talk about concerns raised from the LGBTQ+ survey. No other incidents to report.	Kay report back	Next meeting
11.	Speeding and Traffic	A34 – still a very fast road and local concerns. Community Q &A in West Heath on the 13 th October. CEC carrying out a review of speeds across the Borough to be reported in November. Need ward members to help champion schemes.	For next agenda	
12.	AOB	Nothing raised		
13.	Date of Next Meeting	Thursday 6 th January 2021 3.30pm – 5pm via ZOOM		