

Minutes Anti-Social Behaviour Working Group

Virtual Meeting – Thursday 5th May 2022

Present: Cllr Kay Wesley (Chair), Cllr Amanda Martin, Cllr Rob Moreton, Cllr Denis Murphy, Cllr Dawn Allen, Glen Williams, Stg John Robinson, Julia Pelsall Hassell (CEC), Jackie MacArthur (CTC)

- 1. Apologies:** Ruth Burgess (CTC), Paul Bestwick (CEC), Guests Stuart Hobson from CCTV needed to cancel.

	Agenda Item	Issue/Action	By Whom	When
2.	Notes of 3/3/22	accepted by group		
2a	Welcome	Since the last meeting, Paul Brunton has taken a sabbatical from the Police and a new Beat Sergeant John Roberts has just joined the team. The group introduced themselves to John.		
3.	Action Log a) Completed b) Ongoing but not on the agenda	<p>Gave a good and robust response from CTC with reasons why we wanted to see the Front Desk at the Police Station remain open. Actions following the consultation are likely to happen in the autumn. Police were recommending closing 11 of the 16 front desks across Cheshire.</p> <p>Article for Bear Necessities on drug and alcohol abuse Publicising actions that can be taken against ASB offenders Re-establish a youth event at Bamboogie - meeting in the next two weeks to report back at the next meeting. Jackie and Kay to arrange a visit to the CCTV HQ – open to other members Invite the Traffic Police to a future meeting traffic</p>	 Jackie Cllr Rob Moreton Jackie	Closed

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4.	Drug and Alcohol Abuse	General discussion. John to provide information on number of incidents in Congleton East and West Wards for future meetings. Group not aware of new hotspot areas.	Police	Ongoing
5.	Anti-Social Behaviour and Young Offenders	<p>Issues being experienced at the March meeting have now calmed down. Bail conditions still in place for 15 young people until late May. Some have Antisocial Behaviour Contracts or have had ASB Discussions and are on the system with the Police and Cheshire East Council.</p> <p>Action – Police to check an incident from the 27th April that appears to have been carried out by a group of young people.</p> <p>Discussion – ahead of summer holidays should we CTC hold a meeting for parents on consequences of ASB?</p> <p>Action: Concern raised about the area at the back of Salford Place. Used to be a playground. Residents concerned and frightened about drug taking, alcohol and noise. In dry weather can go on to the early hours of the morning. Police asked people to report – can do so anonymously via Crimestoppers</p>	<p>CEC/Police</p> <p>Stg John Roberts</p> <p>KW/JM to discuss</p> <p>Stg John Roberts to speak to beat team</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Immediate</p> <p>May</p> <p>May</p>
6.	Domestic Violence and Sexual Offences	<p>Police to supply figures.</p> <p>Kay reported that the DA Clinic needed to close for short while due to number of staff with COVID but back up now and a Peer Support Group has also been formed. Clinic a success story and now applying for national funding to keep it going.</p>	<p>John Roberts</p> <p>Kay to report next time</p>	
7.	Youth Related Issues	Anticipate there may be a question at the Annual Town Meeting. Parents don't always realise that it is a multi-agency team and rather than criminalising they are trying to divert away from a criminal path	Jackie/ Kay for ATM	

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8.	Police Priorities	Night Time Economy and engaging with Pub Watch Bromley Farm Estate Engaging with youngsters on Bail conditions.	Police	
9.	Update on CCTV	Jackie and Kay to arrange a visit to CCTV Carried over to next meeting for a discussion with CCTV	Jackie Mac	
10.	Hate Crime	Numbers to be provided by the Police Asked that the type of Hate crime also to be noted Members of Congleton Pride have been trained in being a reporting centre for Hate Crime. Kay congratulated Cheshire Police for being held up as an example of how stalking complaints should be dealt with.	John Roberts	
11.	Speeding and Traffic	No data provided and no information from the team	For next agenda	
12.	AOB	Eaton Bank – Head Teacher is very concerned about safety of children walking to and from the school as no crossings. Can the Police help Action: Jackie to send the presentation from the school to John Roberts. Rough Sleepers – Aware of a male rough sleeper often in town. A complicated issue that the police and housing officers are aware of Police Liaison Officer – a few years ago a couple of councillors were nominated to act as Police Liaison Officers. This was a request from the Police. Should this role be reinstated? John Roberts to find out more.	Jackie to send presentation. John to mention to Beat team John Roberts to find out more.	May May
13.	Date of Next Meeting	Thursday 30 th June 2022 3.30pm – 5pm FACE TO FACE MEETING	Jackie book	