

Cleobury Crime Meeting Notes

6th February 2017

Present

Matthew Sheehan (Chairman)
Vicky Turner (Shropshire Council)
Kit Smith (Resident)
Pete Blackburn (Resident)
Tank Waddington (Resident)
Andy Gould (Social Club)
Debbie Brown (CMPC)

Geoff Hainsworth (CMPC)
Toby Kirkby (CMPC)
Andrew Vanderhook (Resident)
Jim Reynolds (Clarion)
PCSO Liam Jones (West Mercia Police)
Julia Priscott (Schools)
Jane Abbott (Bromford Housing)

Apologies:

No apologies received

UPDATE ON ACTIONS FROM LAST MEETING

- The group received a letter of thanks from Phillip Dunne MP
- Matt S has had a meeting with Graham Oliver (Police Crime Commissioners Officer)
- Hopton Wafers Parish Council need to make a donation to the Crime Reduction Group for the Smart Water kits they had
- Gates at either end of the town – costs and suggested options are going to CMPC 6/2/17 for a decision **RECOMMENDATION from Crime Group is – for substantial plastic ones (£93.61 each)**
- **ACTION Matt to speak to Mick Simpson about the advertising trailer**
- Insurance update – 2 more residents have had reductions in their home insurance after informing their insurance companies of Cleobury being a Smart Water Town. Kitt has kindly produced a guide on the key points when renewing your insurance
ACTION – guide to be included in the Clarion.
ACTION – Group to formally write to the major insurance companies and local brokers to explain about benefits of being a Smart Water Town –Mick Simpson to provide the evidence to include in the letter
ACTION – Matt to compile a list of Brokers and Insurance Companies that will give a discount for being a Smart Water Town

SPEEDING AND PARKING CONCERNS

Toby commented on how having traffic lights for the road repairs had considerably slowed down the traffic.

Concern was raised, that there are no plans to improve the traffic situation opposite Vaughan Road in the planning application for the 58 room Nursing Home being built there.
ACTION Matt to speak to Glyn Shaw and contact Planning Department and also the latest situation with the new crossing following the Co-op development.

Enforcement Issues -

- The 20mph zone through the High Street is not enforceable by the Police who can only enforce at 30mph
- Parking on the chevrons by the crossing – causing sight obstructions of anyone on the crossing. – **ACTION Liam and SNT team to issue Advisory Notices / tickets whenever they see parking on the chevrons**
- Parking outside the primary school - the school would like to see a police presence when possible at the start or end of school and to do any enforcement possible.

ACTION – Matt to arrange meeting with Ann O’Leary and other members of the Crime group to discuss enforcement

It was recognised that the PCSO’s are undervalued for the work that they do.

Some progress has been made on the other suggestions to reduce speeding

- Permanent flashing speed lights in the High Street – **ACTION Gwilym Butler looking if any spare ones at Shropshire Council as an alternative to buying a new one**

- Mirrors or other measures for pulling out of the Industrial Estate on to the Tenbury Road
- Community Speed Watch scheme – still being considered, but being mindful to the problems / backlash in other areas for the volunteers involved
- Consider traffic calming measures in Childe Road
- Use of the CCTV system for evidence of offenders **ACTION letter to be sent to the parents at the primary school to this effect.**
- Liam has met the Foreman from the quarry and all drivers have received letters from their employer raising the speeding concerns and driving dangerously. **ACTION Matt to see if the quarry has extended its working hours.**

UPDATE ON CCTV

Chief Inspector Sarah Challoner was tasked to look at the role of CCTV volunteers and will share the policy when it is completed **ACTION – Mick Simpson to chase on a copy of this policy for the CM volunteers and also for the schools.**

ACTION – Julia and Mrs Mayfield to visit the CCTV recording system to see how it works, what it covers and the safeguarding in place.

ACTION – SNT to attend the primary school parents evening in March

PHASE 2 OF CCTV PROJECT

Shropshire Council is compiling a combined funding application on behalf of the Parish and Town Councils for their CCTV requirements to send to the Police Crime Commissioner. Vicky has started the application on behalf of the Cleobury Crime Reduction Group – but decisions now need to be made on what is to be included in this application. Closing date for this application is 13th February 2017.

ACTION – CCTV sub group to meet on Thursday 9th Feb at 4.30pm, to look at additional sites for cameras – places to look at include: Talbot Carpark, either end of town, Langlands Rd, Catherton turning, Whitcombe Orchard, Business Park and Tenbury Turn and to look at what the most appropriate camera for each area would be.

ACTION – Matt to complete the application form following the meeting and submit to Andrew Gough.

MOBILE POLICE STATION / POLICE UPDATE

No update on the future of the mobile police station and the Rural and Cyber Crime unit. Charmaine Woolley will remain in post for another 12 months.

POLICE STATISTICS AND UPDATES

Increase in cold callers (countywide issue) including companies wanting to do building work, drives etc– Liam has included advice about these in his Clarion update this month.

The Dog Handling Team will be back in Cleobury but over the winter have been training more in buildings than outside.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

- The Co-op now have a night security guard
- The carwash cash box was stolen in daylight

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 24th April, 11am at Sport and Social Club