PANGBOURNE NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTION GROUP

A meeting of the Pangbourne Neighbourhood Action Group was held in the Parish Office, Purley on Thames on Monday 20th July 2015 at 4.30 pm

Present:

John Haggarty (Chairman) Tidmarsh & Sulham PC, Jeremy Spring Streatley PC, Dominic Bartlett Neighbourhood Wardens, Lesley Crimp Pangbourne Magazine, Robert Greasley Basildon PC, Pamela Bale WBC (Pangbourne), R Jones WBC (Purley-on-Thames), T Metcalfe WBC (Purley-on-Thames), D Williams Pangbourne PC, John Higgs Pangbourne PC, Sue Briscoe Purley on Thames PC, Sue Nix PCSO TVP

In attendance:

Christine Lamb Assistant Clerk, Purley on Thames Parish Council, three residents from Beech Road, Purley on Thames.

15/42 Apologies:

Ian Taylor (RBFRS)

15/43 Declarations of Interest

None

15/44 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 20th May 2015 were accepted and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

15/45 Neighbourhood Action Group Website

The members noted that other NAG groups are much bigger and benefit from joining the national website. It was agreed amongst members that more could be done locally to advertise the NAG. Members agreed to update their websites and asked for a summary to explain the terms of reference to their local residents.

ACTION: Mrs Lamb to circulate a copy of the Terms of Reference that were updated in 2013.

15/46 Mr Haggarty welcomed local residents from Purley on Thames who were attending the meeting. Mr R Jones and the Purley residents outlined concerns they have about traffic speed in both directions on Purley Rise, in the area at the Pangbourne end of Purley on Thames. Mr R Jones asked the NAG members if they agreed that the issue should be investigated further and would support efforts to do so. The NAG agreed that it should.
ACTION: First step, figures and statistics on traffic and speed need to be gathered.

15/47 Introduction and Reports

Parishes

Pangbourne Magazine

• Bin outside Londis Shop now causing a rat problem.

ACTION: Sue Nix TVP will visit Londis and raise the issue with the manager.

ACTION: P Bale WBC asked for photos and will raise with Environmental Health at WBC

Horseshoe Road – vehicles parking on double yellow lines and mounting pavements.
 There is also an issue with vehicles blocking pavements to deliver to retail premises in Pangbourne.

Streatley

Speeding continues on the main A329 through Streatley.

Mr Spring asked Sue Nix if there are restrictions that could be enforced with regards to the issue of young children riding mini motorbikes on the Ridgeway, as this is becoming a serious issue.

Mr Spring requested TVP to run a 'Have Your Say' session in Streatley.

ACTION: Sue Nix PCSO will contact Streatley Parish Council to arrange a suitable date.

Neighbourhood Wardens

Wardens are currently working with Police because of finding drug paraphernalia on a couple of occasions in Pikeshaw Woods, Purley on Thames.

Wardens have been monitoring Pangbourne Meadow, especially during the warm weather, and have collected alcohol bottles and noted signs of fires which have been set.

No other serious issues to report.

Basildon

Generally quiet.

Speeding – Aston Martin test drives in the area are speeding.

Fly-tipping – one particular area is an issue which the PC is working to address.

Two shed break-ins since the last NAG meeting.

TVP

New PCSO is starting in area. Her geographic patrol area has not been confirmed yet.

Two additional part-time PCs have started in the area also.

Speed awareness signs for Basildon are on their way from WBC.

Pangbourne Meadow – it is being patrolled but no incidents reported to date.

Crime figures since last NAG meeting:

Pangbourne

Burglary dwelling: 1 Burglary non-dwelling: 1 Criminal Damage: 4

Theft of MV: 0 Theft from MV: 0 ASB: 2

<u>Purley on Thames</u>

Burglary dwelling: 0 Burglary non-dwelling: 0 Criminal Damage: 2

Theft of MV: 0 Theft from MV: 0 ASB: 3

ACTION: All Parish Councils: Sue Nix PCSO emphasised that residents should be encouraged to dial 101 to report incidents as this highlights area to TVP and increases patrols.

Pangbourne

Di Williams reported on an incident in Pangbourne which she was involved in – which involved reporting a man behaving suspiciously with a gun near Pangbourne Allotments (reported on 24th May 19.37 URN1277). She reported that the Police's response had been unsuitable for a gun related incident.

ACTION: Both Sue Nix and P Bale said they would make enquiries to understand what happened.

J Higgs reported people fishing for trout in the Pang and J Haggarty confirmed they are not allowed as it is private fishing only.

Purley

T Metcalfe reported there had been a recent anti-social behaviour incident in area near Mapledurham Lock which had resulted in a number of signs being ripped down. He recently attended a Rural Action Group (RAG) which was attended by representatives across West Berkshire.

Sue Briscoe gave an update on the recent activity by Purley Beeches Resident Association which has raised a petition about the parking situation on Hazel Road after a RTA involving a local resident. As the local resident was trying to pass the parked cars, and on the wrong side of the road as a result, the insurance company will not pay. The petition has been sent to WBC which has now agreed to look at the parking situation on Hazel Road.

SB also reported on the anti-social behaviour incidents that had take=ken place recently at Goosecroft Recreation Ground. S Nix said incidents need to be reported as soon as possible to 101 phone line.

Tidmarsh and Sulham

J Haggarty reported on fly-tipping. A car had been abandoned which had been involved in a crime and was taken away by the police.

At Sulham and Tidmarsh PC meeting it was reported that cars had been seen parked at Sulham Woods. Sue Nix reported that this is youths sitting in cars and the police are not concerned.

15/48 REVIEW OF OPEN PROFILES

Oxford Road - Speeding

No new incidents reported. Road works outside the new housing development have slowed traffic.

Dog Control Orders

No new incidents reported.

Other Matters

None raised

15/49 Date of Next Meeting

Monday 19th Oct 2015 at 4.30pm at Purley on Thames Parish Office.

