

PUBLIC SAFETY AND TRAFFIC COMMITTEE  
Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2009

PRESENT: Councillor A. Barker in the Chair  
Councillors J. Arbuckle, K. Arbuckle, S. Whitlock and N. Hunt

In attendance: T Ferry, Sgt Perkis WYP, PCSO Fidler and Matthew Jones Horsforth Pub Watch. Ann Falkingham of Leeds Youth Services also attended and wished to address the Council. The Chair Advised Ann that she will be permitted to address the Council later in the meeting.

1. APOLOGIES – Apologies were received from Councillors R. Hardcastle and I. Scott.
2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – There were no declarations of interest at this meeting.
3. CO-OPT MEMBERSHIP TO THIS COMMITTEE – Members discussed co-option of Horsforth Pub Watch to this Committee.  
RESOLVED – That co-opted membership of Horsforth Pub Watch be approved to this Committee.
4. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING  
RESOLVED – That the minutes of the last meeting held on the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2009 were received and confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings and they were duly signed by the Chair.
5. MATTERS ARISING
  - a. Visit to the CCTV control room. The Chair advised Members that there was not a lot of interest shown in the visit to the CCTV room. Members present said they would still like to attend. The Chair asked if this could now be postponed till the New Year?  
RESOLVED – That the visit to the CCTV Control Room be put on the next agenda.
  - b. Attendance of Mr Clark, Licensing department Leeds City Council. The Town Clerk advised Members that Mr Clark is unable to attend this meeting and that his department had no other available person to attend.  
RESOLVED – That Mr Clark be asked if he could attend the next Public Safety and Traffic Committee meeting and that this item be put on the next agenda.
6. HORSFORTH POLICING UPDATE  
Sgt Perkis provided an update of policing activities in the Horsforth Area which included:  
Parking at Trinity and All Saints University College. Main areas affected by student parking are Brownberrie Lane and Lee Lane West. PCSO's have been active in these areas since the new academic term started and have issued parking tickets on a regular basis.  
Leeds City Council Highways Department are currently going through the process of introducing a Draft Order to introduce Residential Parking Permits. This process requires public consultation and other statutory processes which Highways advise could take up to six months.

ASB Pact Priorities. Sgt Perkis reminded Members of the current ASB priorities, Town Street, Broadgate Lane and the Cricket Club on Brownberrie Lane, these sites are visited daily and there is nothing to report.

The Chair informed Members of a recent incident behind Tesco's on New Road Side, this was noted by Members.

Members raised the use of 'Mini Bikes' as a nuisance, Councillor Whitlock informed Members that this was prevalent in the King George area. PCSO's are to be on the look out for this on there patrols.

Recent Arrests. A 28 year old man was arrested for a burglary on Newlaithes Road, and a 30 year old man from Meanwood was arrested for a burglary in Rose Avenue. A 20 year old man from Horsforth was arrested for a burglary on North Broadgate Lane.

Rise in Crime. There has been a recent rise in the number of sheds and garages broken into where mountain bikes and power tools have been stolen.

Use of SID. Sgt Perkis provided Members with a programme of recent use of SID.

Roads where SID has been used are Hall Lane for 3 hours, Broadgate Lane 2 hours, Low Lane 4 hours, Brownberrie Lane 1 1/2 hours and West End Lane 1 hour. A discussion then took place about using two SID machines in the same area. Sgt Perkis also advised Members that the Parish of Adel pay WYP for traffic officers to set up speed check areas with the use of speed guns. The benefits of this is that individuals know there is a penalty for speeding which may deter them from doing so.

RESOLVED – That Sgt Perkis's report be noted.

## 7. PUB WATCH

Mr Jones provided Members with an update of recent PUB Watch activities during the past two months.

He informed Members that one person has received a 1 year ban for drug use in the Kings Arms.

He then went on to inform Members of a recent burglary at the Fox & Hounds and that a member of the Woodside was held up at knife point, who was carrying cash for banking.

He advised Members that a raised police profile will take place on the lead up to Christmas, which is usual for this time of year.

The Ringway has not been present for the last two Pub Watch meetings and Pub Watch members are unsure of what is happening with ownership and management of this establishment. The Chair informed Members that the Ringway is currently with a holding company.

Mr Jones informed members that he is currently reviewing the ring-round system as it is not working. Members discussed this and asked if radios could be an option, this was viewed the same as telephoning which could not be heard at busy times. Mr Jones said that text messages are the most effective way at present.

RESOLVED: That Mr Jones's report be noted.

8. MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC

The Chair invited Ann Falkingham, a member of the public and a Senior Youth Worker in the Horsforth area, to introduce herself and her activities to Members. After introducing herself, Ann informed Members of youth workers activities in the Horsforth area. These included working with youth ages from 13 to 19 years plus at the Stanhope Centre. She explained that a detachment of youth workers also walk around Horsforth to identify areas where young people may be congregating, which gives the youth worker the opportunity to tell young people what is going on for them in the area, and to make sure that the young people are safe. She informed Members that most young people hang around Town Street and the skate park in Hall Park. Ann finished her address by saying how much she is looking forward to the new youth centre opening in the old library building.

Councillor K. Arbuckle advised Ann that grants may be available for the benefit of Horsforth youth from Horsforth Town Council.

RESOLVED – That Ann Falkingham’s address be noted.

9. INJUNCTIONS FOR INDIVIDUALS

RESOLVED - That this item is included in the agenda for the next meeting.

10. LEEDS CITY COUNCIL ENTERTAINMENT AND LICENSING

RESOLVED – That this item is included in the agenda for the next meeting.

11. SPECIAL PROJECTS

The Police have requested that Horsforth Town Council provided Purse Chains for an event to be held on the 14<sup>th</sup> October at Halshaw Evans where these will be provided to women. Councillor Whitlock suggested that the Police also do the same for Horsforth Training Centre at Church Lane. The Town Clerk advised Members that chains are currently .65 pence each. Members agreed that 200 purse chains should be purchased and that these are held by Sgt Perkis for future initiatives.

RESOLVED – That 200 purse chains are to be purchased and charged to Special Projects, Public Safety budget and that the chains are to be given to Sgt Perkis.

12. BUDGET FOR 2010

Members discussed the Public Safety and Traffic budget for 2010. It was agreed that Policing should include PCSO funding and an amount for the use of traffic police and an amount for an Awareness campaign, and that Special Projects remain at £2,000.

RESOLVED - The following budget was agreed,

Policing	£23,000
Awareness Campaign	£ 5,000
Special projects	£ 2,000

Total budget for 2010 £30,000

13. ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

- a. Parking
- b. Visit to the CCTV Control Room
- c. Mr Clark of Leeds City Council Entertainment and Licensing
- d. Induction for Individuals

14. Date of the next meeting – Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2010.

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