

ARBURY & STOCKINGFORD COMMUNITY FORUM

Monday 17th October 2016

THE PAVILION, ANSLEY ROAD, NUNEATON

NOTES OF MEETING

Present: Cllrs Watkins (Chair), Phillips, Longden, PC Andy Morrissly, PC Dave Hyde, PC Kinch

In attendance: PC Dave Hyde, PC Kinch, Tamsyn Keyte, Mike Slemensek (WCC), Chris Florance (WCC)

Apologies: Cllr Golby, Cllr Pomfrett and Sgt Williams

Eight members of the public in attendance.

1. Welcome, Introduction and Apologies

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting, invited introductions and noted apologies.

2. Safer Neighbourhood Team Update

Warwickshire Police provided an update on activity since the last meeting of the Forum. Key issues to arise were:

a) Off Road Biking

b) Anti-Social Behaviour on the increase, however this could be due to more frequent police patrols.

c) Speeding

The Safer Neighbourhood Team said they will focus on Haunchwood Road, Kingswood Road and Wycliffe Way.

It was suggested by a resident that the stretch of road from the Raywood mini island to the mini island on Croft Road/Arbury Road and Health Ends Road were areas of concern due to speeding traffic.

3. Local issues

The following issues were noted:

Nuisance motorbikes are a continuous problem in all areas and issues need to be reported. You can report anonymously to the Dob-Em-In project through Warwickshire County Council.

<https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/nuisancemotorcycles>

The Safer Neighbourhood Team noted they are doing frequent patrols of the area and have now issued warnings to individuals.

School parking is still an issue after warning letters have been given out and cones put in place.

Croft Road Parking between the barbers and Petes Chip Shop. The problem is that drivers are ignoring double yellow lines on the road. Both residents and customers are parking half on and half off the pavement obstructing walk ways.

Pedestrian Safety on the stretch of road from Raywoods Mini Island to the Mini Island on Croft Road/Arbury Road it has been noted that pedestrians are put at risk due to having only one central bollard prior to the garage and post the shops. It was suggested that this was changed into pedestrian crossings, which will aid with residents and children crossing the road.

Parking of trade vehicles on croft Road cars are being parked on the pavement alongside 2 Marsdale Drive.

20mph sign just off Tomkinson Road Recreational ground still not put back up. This means that the Police cannot enforce the speed limit of the road. Fencing still not replaced after road accident caused the fences surrounding the canal to be knocked down.

Speeding on Kingswood Road has been noted as drivers are using the speed calming measures as ramps. The police have now been notified of this and will be doing regular speed checks.

Greenmore Road Junction with Croft Road has become an increasing issue due to extra traffic. It has been suggested that widening the road and replacing the junction with a roundabout would help the traffic, flow reducing the build-up of traffic and waiting time.

A resident suggested that putting traffic lights on the Cock and Bear Bridge and Greenmore Junction would also help to reduce traffic.

Kingswood Road Park a resident asked about how he would gain support of the local people on expanding the existing park area to cater for more young people and different activities.

3. Boundary Changes

Mike Slemensek updated on the new boundary for Nuneaton for more information on this please contact northernareateam@warwickshire.gov.uk

4. Grant schemes

Mike Slemensek updated around councillor grants and Capital Grant funding.

The Capital grant fund has now ended. Please note that, due to Christmas staff leave arrangements, the panel will not convene to consider the applications until January. Award decisions will be announced by the end of January 2017.

WCC Councillor Grant fund

Each County Councillor has £5,000 to award to local voluntary and community groups for projects that will benefit their community. To receive an application please visit <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/grants>

4. Summary and close

The Chair thanked all for their attendance and noted that the next meeting would be held on 6th February 2017.