

SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM GROUP

MULTI MEMBER WARD 15: SOUTHSIDE/NEWINGTON
NOTE OF MEETING: TUESDAY, 1 November 2011
BRAIDWOOD CENTRE,

PRESENT:

Community Representatives

Dr Mike Hunter	Grange/Prestonfield CC
Walter Chapman	Cameron Park
Alexander Morrison	Cameron Park
Charles MacKinder	West Grange Gardens
David Jenkins	Blacket Place
Alison Mowat	Neighbourhood Watch – Blacket Place
Pat Harkin	Oswald Court
Janet Walker	Braidwood Centre Management Committee

CEC

Margaret Campbell Services for Communities – Partnership Business Manager

Lothian & Borders Police

Sgt Steven Cairns
 PC Evelyn Hegarty
 PC Lynsey Collins

APOLOGIES

Colin Christison	Southside Association
Liz Mulligan	Dumbiedykes Environment Group
Marian Bradley	Braidwood Writers Group

Detail	Action
<p>1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES</p> <p>1.1 Sgt Steven Cairns introduced himself and his colleagues, explaining that he was taking over responsibility for the Ward 15 SNT Priority Setting meetings, from Sgt Allan Campbell</p>	
<p>2. NOTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</p> <p>2.1 The minutes of the previous meeting were noted.</p>	

<p>3. UPDATE ON PRIORITIES OVER THREE MONTH PERIOD (Update Circulated)</p> <p>Priority 1 – Drug/alcohol fuelled Anti Social Behaviour in Southside including the Nicolson, Hill, St Patrick’s and Bristo Squares & the Meadows/Middle Meadow Walk.</p> <p>3.1 Uniformed and plain clothes patrols in relevant areas. Drinking by-law enforced; Pursuit of drug warrants; joint patrols with CEC wardens. Recent efforts have seen a decline in activity within the area although it was acknowledged that this would result in a degree of displacement. However, as a result of the success it was agreed to close this priority for the coming three months and monitor any changes.</p> <p>Priority 2 – Speeding in Sciennes Road</p> <p>3.2 Uniformed foot and cycle patrols undertaken. Corrective advice given to several motorists and cyclists. Liaison ongoing with CEC into the position of speed monitoring device. Traffic Wardens conducted speed detection patrols at Sciennes Primary. 18 vehicles found to be above the 20 mph limit and corrective advice given. Agreed this priority be closed.</p> <p>Priority 3 – Inconsiderate Cycling and Cycle Security</p> <p>3.3 Approximately 250 hrs spent on cycle patrols; 30 persons issued with conditional offers (£30 fine or refer to Court) and 50 persons warned for minor offences. Officers targeted roadways, pavements, pathways and open areas. Mike Hunter requested that Grange/Prestonfield CC be provided with the full report. Steven agreed to communicate with the CC.</p>	<p>SC</p>
<p>4. ISSUES HIGHLIGHTED BY SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM AND COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES</p> <p>4.1 Inconsiderate / dangerous cycling in Southside: This continues to be a concern with cyclists using the pavements cited as a particular hazard. Concern was raised about the safety of cyclists – bikes without proper lights and dark clothing. Noted that the Police will stop people not properly attired and warn them of the dangers of not being clearly visible to traffic. Agreed this issue should remain a priority.</p> <p>4.2 Graffiti/Vandalism: Reported that the Police have been investigating using cycle patrols and plain clothes officers without a great deal of success. As of 1st November they will have a dedicated team set up to try and gather intelligence in an effort to tackle the problem. Agreed this should become a priority for the coming three months,</p> <p>4.3 Anti Social Behaviour – Dumbiedykes: Janet Walker reported a significant rise in anti social behaviour throughout the area. There are two three groups of four to six youths causing distress to residents through their recent behaviour. They are confrontational and threatening, particularly to the elderly; they are also indulging in opportunist theft. The problem is exacerbated by the erection of scaffolding throughout the area which brings additional problems. The group agreed that this issue should become a priority for the coming three months.</p>	

<p>5. CONFIRMED PRIORITIES FOR THE THREE MONTHS TO FEBRUARY 2012</p> <p>5.1 Anti Social Behaviour in Dumbiedykes</p> <p>5.2 Cycling Issues in the general area (continued)</p> <p>5.3 Graffiti in the general area</p>	
<p>6. AOCB</p> <p>6.1 Mags reminded the group that the Neighbourhood Partnership was running a community conference entitled "Its Good to Talk ...<i>About Alcohol</i>" on 16th November in the Gillis Centre. This event is open to the general public and those wishing to attend should register their name with Mags.</p> <p>6.2 Mags informed the group that the Southside Community Council were holding an interim election. She distributed information and asked that anyone interested in standing for election can obtain nomination forms from Mags.</p>	
<p>7. DATE OF FUTURE MEETINGS</p> <p>10.00 am – Tuesday, 14th February 2012 @ Braidwood Centre, Dumbiedykes Road</p>	

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