

OLD WINDSOR
NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTION GROUP
Meeting at 10.00 am, Monday 6th July 2009
At The Parish Meeting Room, Church Road, Old Windsor

MINUTES

Present: Pete Dalton TVP (PD), Andy Aldridge (AA), Gemma Stephenson RBWM (GS), John Lee Local Businesses (JL), Jen Sams representing NW (JS), Rachel Jinks TVP (RJ), Clare Allison Extended Schools (CA) and John Devlin PCSO (JD)

Apologies: Chairman Tony Troughton and Tony Peach (OWPC). We were also informed that Esther Deacon (RBWM) no longer works for RBWM so will not be attending any further meetings.

The meeting was Chaired by Jens Sams (NW).

1. Minutes of previous meeting (1st June 2009)

The minutes were accepted as being accurate.

2. The proposed Police Post

Pete Dalton informed us that the proposed Police Post had been blocked by Police Head Office but he was confident of getting that changed. The local Police are very much in favour of the proposed post.

Action PD

3. Alcohol Ban

It was confirmed that the signs signifying the ban will remain unchanged. It is understood that a PCSO can enforce the alcohol ban and alcohol had indeed been taken from some people and disposed of. Pete Dalton is happy with the ban as it gives his officers plenty of scope to work with.

4. Crime Reporting

Pete Dalton pointed out how important it is for everybody to report crime. John Devlin reported that some people are actually offered victim support at the start of the call. Unfortunately this is how the Home Office has stated how the calls are to be handled. Residents will continue to be encouraged to report all incidents and crimes.

Action NW/NAG

5. Burglary

There was one burglary reported from a car and four from outbuildings. It was pointed out that this is normally the worst time for theft from outbuildings.

6. Anti Social Driving

In the last month, Steve Parker has done several speed traps in Old Windsor resulting in four tickets for speeding and one section 59 being issued. Andy Aldridge stated that he had found two portable Speed Warning devices and that he believed they could be lent to Old Windsor. The accident at Punto's was also reported. Beckham, the manager at Punto's, was very happy with the Police response but not so of the ambulance service.

Action SP/AA

7. Anti Social behaviour

Drinking in the recreation ground was again cited. John Lee reported a problem with several young girls that are known trouble makers, causing problems at one of the village shops and had personally attended. The result was that two of the girls are now banned from the shop and their names are being sort to give to the Police. There was also reports of people jumping off of Ham Island Bridge and of pouring orange juice onto passing boats.

8. PCSO

John Devlin is enjoying working in the village and is getting to know the people and the area well.

9. AOB

Manor Lodge

John Lee had two reports regarding Manor Lodge inmates. The first was regarding an individual who was either drunk or on drugs outside the Youth Club. When his friends carried him off they then tried various doors to cars in Queens Close on their way back to the lodge. The second incident concerned an inmate who stole the wheel trims off of a car in Albany Road who was then followed back to the lodge by the car owner. On arrival at the lodge the car owner asked for his wheel trims back but the staff refused resulting in him calling the Police and retrieving them that way. Several days later he was intimidated by several inmates sitting on his garden wall resulting in the Police being called again. Pete Dalton was going to follow this up.

Action PD

Summer in da Hood

Andy Aldridge reported that Summer in da Hood, a programme for kids in the summer holiday, would be operating from the 17th to the 21st of August at Old Windsor Youth Club. Clare Allison stated that she would be making the school children aware and that there are posters going up in the village to inform everyone.

Parent Support Evenings

Clare Allison said that there are plans to hold Parent Support Evenings at the schools. These meetings are designed to educate parents about problems like drinking and the taking of drugs. It is anticipated that the Police Drug Team will do a presentation on one of the evenings.

Date of next meeting: Monday 3rd August 2009 at 10.00 am in the Parish Meeting Room, Church Road, Old Windsor.