



Beverley & District Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators' Panel

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General Meeting – Monday 4th March 2019

7pm at Beverley Police Station

Minutes

1. Apologies for absence: PJ [Molescroft Park], CB [Westwood Park], MF [Cedar Grove/Fair Lawn]
2. Present: Jackie Heffer [Chair]; M. S and J. C [Samman Road], R.F [Harrison Mews], Adrian and H. B [Leven], T.W [Tickton and Weel], R. Band T.R (guest) [Molescroft], S.S and H. C [Dunswell], J. W[Grove Park/Grove Close], J.P[St Andrew St], PS759 Andy Beadman [Humberside Police], Maureen Yates [ERYC], M. C [minuting the meeting]
3. Minutes of last meeting accepted as a true record
4. Matters Arising – none
5. Correspondence – none
6. Chairman's Business – C W has resigned as a co-coordinator due to work commitments; Jackie congratulated the police team for winning the town pancake race yesterday.
7. Police Report [Andy Beadman PS759]: reported an increase in residential burglaries in Beverley to 25. This seems higher than usual because thefts from sheds and garages are now included in this figure.

Crimes of violence 35

Business 8

There has been an increase of officer numbers so more patrols take place during the night. Cars are a particular target with 2 or 3 groups likely to be responsible – please put the word out to keep car keys away from doors and windows.

8. Maureen Yates [Community and Crime Resilience Officer ERYC] reported that the Council are looking at Public Space Protection orders [these cover issues such as gates, dog waste and alcohol prohibition] with a public consultation due in April/May. Info on PFPO page on the ERYC website. It is likely the PSPs will remain in place but views can be expressed.

Safe and Sound Fund – the criteria have changed: you can now have £23,250 in savings and still be eligible for help with protection devices on doors and windows. The form is simple, the company used is excellent and the response is often as short as 2 weeks from receipt of the application.

People were asked by the Chair if anyone needed new signage as the weather often damaged these: 3 requested for Copandale/Grove Park and 1 for Bielby Drive.

9. "At risk adults" talk was postponed
10. Co-ordinators' reports:



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JW [Grove Park/Grove Close] – garage broken into and 2 conservatories entered whilst people were at home. Residents increasingly concerned. Julie reported feeling more confident now police patrols are more frequent and this is changing public perception. Andy B reminded us that most burglaries are by unlocked door not smashing windows.

PJ [Molescroft Park] – one minor incident reported of 2 youths messing about in shop car park near Molescroft shops but not repeated.

TW [Tickton & Weel] – buildings and fear of travellers occupy people's minds more than crime, though there have been some thefts from boats. Police have received letters from Tickton residents asking for a greater police presence, which has duly taken place.

HB [Leven] N/A

JP [St Andrew St] N/A

RF [Harrison Mews] – some motor bike noise in the early hours but otherwise nothing to report.

HD [Dunswell] – fixing gates has made a difference otherwise no further report.

RB [Molescroft] – some moans on Facebooks and people seen in gardens and looking over fences, possibly scoping out properties for burglaries. People have contacted police directly. The Hayride was badly damaged inside in a failed attempt to find money. It is vulnerable because of its isolated position. Rob introduced his neighbour Terri who has been assisting him with signage and getting info out in the neighbourhood.

MS [Samman Road] – 13-14 year old kids taking drugs in the area behind the maisonettes. Andy B assured her that patrols are taking place. Maureen took more details – part of the problem may be that people are not locking the gate. Mandy reported that people were riding motor bikes in the play area. Andy explained they can do little to challenge anyone whilst on a motor bike but if a registration number can be taken, the riders can be visited within a couple of hours. Fence at the bookies still not sorted and is another point of entry. Jackie offered to call in again. A surgery for neighbours was organised but not a single person has used it. Andy explained that a further focus on Samman Road area would take place in 4-5 weeks' time after the success of the one last February.

Inspector Phil H joined the meeting.

10. Treasurer's Report – the balance remains at £181.50 People were encouraged not to spend their own money printing leaflets and supplying paper if there is money available. This led to a longer discussion of possible grants to apply for, such as the one from the PCC. Ideas can be passed to Jackie for including in a joint bid. Various ideas were suggested such as illuminated speed signs, competitions through schools with the winners being turned in streets signs, new robust notice boards and touch screen in local shops.

11. Matters for next meeting: draw together any joint funding bid



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12. AOB:

The Annual Town Meeting is tomorrow evening for the central Beverley wards at ER College where issues can be raised with the Town Council.

TW [Tickton and Weel] reminded people of the usefulness of joining the co-ordinators WhatsApp group to pass messages speedily. Please contact Lauren who can enable you to join the group chat.

TW also reminded us to keep an eye on elderly neighbours as the hot weather kicks in. Maureen reminded us that Parish Councils do get sent info-by ERYC on the demographic of each ward, including the number of elderly residents.

Andy B reminded people to sign up for the community alert system and Maureen will use this to send out information between meetings. Please also promote Immobilise.

The National NW meeting for the ER area is to be held at the Racecourse on the morning of Saturday 27th April with worthwhile refreshments! More info from Maureen.

13. Next meeting is on Monday 3rd June which will include an AGM. Jackie indicated that she would be willing to stand again as Chair but that officer positions could be voted on if others wished to stand.