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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY, ORDER AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE HELD AT 8PM ON MONDAY 18TH MARCH 2013 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC HALL, POYNTON

PRESENT

Chairman: Cllr Mrs J Saunders

Cllrs. L A Clarke, Ms R Horsman, Mrs J Sewart, and Mrs I Thornton-Maddocks

Attending under SO51: Cllrs I Hollingworth substituting for Cllr M Beanland

Attending under SO53: Cllrs C Gorst and Mrs S Horsman

Also Attending: Inspector Griffiths, Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing and Erica Adkins, Town Council Youth Co-ordinator

PART A

76. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs. M Beanland, P Hoyland and A Smith

77. Absent

78. Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary or Other Interests

None

79. Minutes of the previous meeting of 25th February 2013

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 25th February 2013 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman (NC)

80. Youth Co-ordinator's Report

The Youth Co-ordinator, Erica Adkins presented a summary of her written report and invited questions.

Youth Safety Project

The Chairman asked for clarification on the introduction of the DBS. Erica explained that this is the new Disclosure and Barring Service which replaces the existing CRB checks. The Chairman asked if our local football clubs were aware of this change to safeguarding. Cllr Mrs J Sewart said she would check with the Child Welfare Officer. The Youth Co-ordinator offered to conduct in-house training if required.

International Women's Day

The Mayor commented on this excellent event.

RESOLVED: That the written report from the Youth Co-ordinator is received with thanks (NC)

81. Family Fun Day

The Youth Co-ordinator outlined the various funding sources, both confirmed and potential, for the Family Fun Day to be held on Saturday 29th June 2013. She requested up to £1,000 from the Town Council for the event. The Chairman informed the meeting that in the past sports clubs offered taster sessions and asked the Youth Co-ordinator if clubs intended offering something similar this year. Erica confirmed that the clubs will be offering tasters and activities. She will be meeting with them to discuss plans on how to attract and encourage people back, such as free taster sessions. The Chairman stressed the importance of a legacy from this event if the Town Council are supporting it. The Clerk suggested an audit three months after the event, to understand how many of the sports clubs had attracted and retained new members.

RESOLVED: That the Town Council approve up to a £1,000 for the Family Fun Day; that an audit is conducted within three months of the event with those sports clubs participating; and that following the event a breakdown of all costs and expenditure is provided to COPS (NC)

82. Policing Update

Insp. Steve Griffiths of the Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing Team provided a policing update. He began by reporting that Gary Thurgoland, a very experienced officer from Macclesfield, has moved over to Poynton.

Insp. Griffiths reported that in the last month there has been one attempted burglary on Vernon Road. He hoped that the heightened patrols in the area have helped reduced these incidents since the previous month. There has been one possible attempt of shoplifting at Waitrose. There have been four road collisions; London Road, Brookside, Middlewood Road and Chester Road. These were relatively low injury collisions. On Park Lane six Fixed Penalty Notices have been issued. There were two incidents of anti-social behaviour. Insp. Steve Griffiths added that one was a house party and the other an incident involving youths at Barnaby.

Insp. Griffiths reported that alcohol had been seized on Friday and Saturday nights and this is an on-going issue. Also two males were seized in possession of cannabis. There has been one incident of criminal damage with a broken window at the Farmer's Arms and an arrest made as a result.

On speed enforcement Insp. Steve Griffiths explained that the speed gun was used on Anglesey Drive and 200 cars passed along here in a one hour period. Also 66 cars were stopped for travelling over 30 mph.

Insp. Griffiths reported that PCSO Chris Luke has been at the 'Drug Proof Your Kids' project held at Poynton High School. The purpose is to educate parents of the danger of drugs.

A Gateway ceremony was held to award the youths that have been on the project.

Regarding the issue of through traffic on Anglesey and South Park Drives, the Chairman asked Insp. Griffiths when the replacement batteries for the SID will be available. Insp. Griffiths explained that once the batteries are ordered they will arrive quite soon. The Clerk said that he was waiting for the PCSOs to provide him with the name of the SID manufacturer. Insp. Griffiths said he will follow up on this. The Chairman also noted that the issue on Anglesey and South Park Drives was more about the sheer volume of traffic rather than speed. Insp. Griffiths confirmed that he will consider the options to deal with the situation and report back.

Cllr Clarke asked about the safety of the Glastonbury Drive junction with London Road North. Insp. Griffiths said that enquiries were still on-going and he had conducted a site visit. He needs to better understand the perception of speed but could not understand the reason for the 40mph signage that appears just before that junction when a driver is travelling out of Poynton. The overtaking lane perhaps also causes further confusion. Insp. Griffiths will report back.

RESOLVED: That the verbal policing update from Insp. Griffiths is received with thanks (NC)

PART B

RESOLVED: That the public and the media are excluded from this part of the agenda under SO 69(vii) - any action taken or to be taken in connection with the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime (NC)

(PART B Section removed)

The meeting concluded at 8.35pm