

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY ORDER & PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD AT 8.00PM ON MONDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 2016 AT THE
CIVIC HALL, POYNTON.

PRESENT

Vice Chairman: Cllr G King

Cllrs: L Berry, Mrs S-J Gilmore, T Holbrook, Mrs R Horsman-Johnson, Mrs S Horsman, H Murray and Mrs J Sewart

31. Questions from members of the public

There were none present.

32. Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Mrs J Saunders and Mrs N Wylie.

33. Declarations of disclosable pecuniary or other interests

None.

34. Previous meeting minutes

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Community, Order and Public Safety Committee meeting held on 10th October 2016 are approved as an accurate record (4 for, 4 abstentions)

35. Verbal update from the Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing Team

Sgt Brazendale attended the meeting to provide a verbal update on the Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing Team since 10th October 2016.

He reported that there has been a notable increase in the number of ASB (anti-social behaviour) incidents. This is in part due to 'mischief week' including Halloween and Bonfire night. There have also been incidents of ASB at Poynton Sports Club. One incident involved a large group of youths gathering at the Sports Club. The Public Protection Order for Poynton Sports Club is due to be implemented soon and this will provide PCSOs with additional powers such as fixed penalty notices to address incidents. There was also one incident of ASB reported at Waitrose. There were two burglaries from a dwelling, one shed was entered and bikes were stolen, a pressure washer was stolen from a garage and there was one vehicle theft.

The following SID data was reported for the period 19th October 2016 to 4th November 2016:

- London Road North towards Poynton
 - Total number of vehicles was 37,004.
 - The average speed was 29.9mph.

- London Road North towards Hazel Grove
 - Total number of vehicles was 35,390.
 - The average speed was 30.8mph.

Sgt Brazendale reported that the residents on Woolley Avenue have been canvassed with regard to Operation Shield by PCSOs. Thirty residents have expressed an interest in taking part in the Operation, one resident has declined. Members discussed how best to implement Operation Shield across Poynton. Sgt Brazendale explained that Operation Shield is a mechanism for the prevention of crime which has been used successfully in other areas. The police are able to gain Operation Shield kits at a discounted rate. There is the issue of coordinating residents in an area that would like to opt into the scheme and a central point for administration and payment is required.

RESOLVED: That the Town Council support Operation Shield on Woolley Avenue as a pilot scheme. That the Town Council will allocate a member of staff for administration. That on completion the Town Council will review and consider information on the next area to be identified for Operation Shield (NC)

A member raised their concern about the increase in ASB incidents. Sgt Brazendale explained that the police have implemented Operation Treacle to address the issues which are in part due to the time of year. Sgt Brazendale assured that police patrols have been in place.

A member also noted concern about the large number of youths congregating at Poynton Sports Club and suggested that more effective methods should be implemented.

A member reported that over the last month there has in general been a noticeable increase in the number of youths around the Park Lane area. Also there has been rowdy behaviour at the Kingfisher which has been unreported and Morrisons have noted that there has been theft of pumpkins from their store which have not been reported. Sgt Brazendale encouraged residents to report all incidents because that information is used to organise and plan police patrol.

RESOLVED: That the verbal update from the Macclesfield Neighbourhood Policing Team is received. That the Town Council note a vote of thanks to Sgt Brazendale for his work with Poynton Town Council and wish him all the very best for the future (NC)

36. Update from the Future of Policing in Poynton Task and Finish Group

Members received a verbal update from the Future of Policing in Poynton Task and Finish Group. The exploratory work to determine options should a gap in the correct policing provision in Poynton emerge continues. The extraction of PCSOs under a new SLA (service level agreement) remains a real concern.

The review of the current SLA has been postponed until 2018 with negotiations due to start in September 2017.

RESOLVED: That the verbal update from the Future of Policing in Poynton Task and Finish Group is received (NC)

37. Report from the Town Council's Communities Co-ordinator, Sharon Duke

The Town Council's Communities Co-ordinator, Sharon Duke spoke on her written report.

It was noted that the 13th May 2017 for the World War I exhibition may limit the involvement by schools because it tends to be a busy time of the year for schools and may clash with exam weeks. Sharon will feedback and communicate this to the Cheshire Villages Great War Society.

The excellent increased attendance at the Time Out Café was noted.

Referrals have been made to Age UK for potential group members for the Wednesday lunch club.

Sharon will liaise with PC Jane Commins, Police Youth Engagement Officer, to help coordinate support and provision for youth in Poynton.

RESOLVED: That the comprehensive written report from the Town Council's Communities Co-ordinator is received with thanks (NC)

38. Review of the COPS provisional budget for 2017/18

The committee received the COPS provisional budget for 2017/18 for review. It was proposed that in the absence of the committee Chair this item is deferred to the next COPS committee meeting scheduled to be held on 12th December 2016.

RESOLVED: That a review of the COPS provisional budget for 2017/18 is deferred to 12th December 2016 (NC)

39. Note an invitation from David Keane, Police and Crime Commissioner for Cheshire, to attend a meeting on 8th November 2016 with Town and Parish Council representatives

RESOLVED: That an invitation from David Keane, Police and Crime Commissioner for Cheshire, to attend a meeting on 8th November 2016 with Town and Parish Council representatives is noted. That the Clerk write on behalf of the Town Council to invite David Keane, Police and Crime Commissioner for Cheshire to attend a Poynton Town Council meeting and establish dates for the meeting (NC)

40. Consider and agree any communication messages arising from the meeting

The following communication messages arising from the meeting were agreed:

- SID average speed for London Road North including the location of the SIDs.
- Articles from the report from the Town Council's Communities Co-ordinator, Sharon Duke; the 'Poynton Offer' and the World War I exhibition in spring 2017.

RESOLVED: That the communication messages arising from the meeting as stated are approved (NC)

Meeting End Time: 9.40pm