

## South West Wiltshire Community Safety Group Record

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Area	South West Wiltshire				
Date	5/6/2019	Times	6 – 8.00pm	Venue	Nadder Centre, Tisbury
Present	Cllr George Jeans (Chair, Wiltshire Councillor), Nigel Cooke (Swallowcliffe PC), Karen Linaker (Wiltshire Council), Clare Churchill (Berwick St John, Burcombe, Dinton, Donhead St Mary, Fovant, Quidhampton), Mike Davidson (Wiltshire Neighbourhood Watch Association), Merv Quick (Wiltshire Neighbourhood Watch Association), Sandie Smith (Quidhampton Community Speed Watch), Frank Freeman (Hindon PC), Cllr Jose Green (Wiltshire Councillor), Michael Neal (Tisbury/Police volunteer), PC Matt Holland (Wiltshire Police), Richard Salter (Community Co-ordinator Wiltshire Police), Helen Daveridge (Community Co-ordinator Wiltshire Police). Patrick Boyles (Chilmark Parish Council)				
Agenda Items					
1	Welcome and Introductions/Apologies				
2	Notes/actions from the last meeting on 13 Feb 2019				
3	Updates from Services/Partners				
4	Consider key actions from 4 <sup>th</sup> June Drug & Alcohol themed area board discussion				
5	Any other business				
<b><u>Decisions/Actions from this meeting:</u></b>					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) clarification would be sought on whether or not Wiltshire still ran speed awareness courses as an alternative to receiving a fine and licence points</li> <li>b) Karen and Mike to liaise over improving communications between neighbourhood watch co-ordinators / volunteers and this community safety group</li> </ul>					

	<p>c) Karen to liaise with Mike to set up some drop in support and training sessions in Mere and Wilton</p> <p>d) Karen to work with the council's community safety partnership team to shape an item for the next group meeting, so that the group could understand better its work and how it linked with local community priorities and focus</p>
1	<p><u>Actions completed:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Clarification secured that the Justice Traffic department is not currently able to accept dashcam evidence for traffic offences other than collisions. This is under review.</li> <li>b. Matthew Stops – Dorset &amp; Wiltshire Fire &amp; Rescue Service representative has been confirmed for the South West Wiltshire Area. Karen to liaise with him and invite him to future meetings.</li> <li>c. Group agreed in February to recommend to the area board that it issue a communication to the general public with the best numbers and systems to use when wishing to report speeding issued 30<sup>th</sup> April</li> </ul>
2	<p><u>Service/Partner Updates</u></p> <p>The Chairman :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• reminded all about the revised interim reporting system for highway</li> <li>• improvements and traffic survey requests</li> <li>• clarified that the current SID protocol was still acceptable for use according to Dave Button</li> <li>• updated that the area board's fund to tackle older people's isolation and loneliness was committed at the 4<sup>th</sup> June</li> <li>• updated that funds could be bid from a Scottish &amp; Southern Electricity grant scheme for snow plough blades</li> </ul> <p>Matt Holland referred to the police report on the agenda, and added the following extra points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• staff changes had brought in 2 new community co-ordinators for Mere and Tisbury – Helen Daveridge and Richard Salter .</li> <li>• the police was very appreciative of the work done by all community speed watch volunteers and officers will always endeavour to visit teams and sites, but this has to be done, prioritising all other areas of crime</li> <li>• a review of countywide speedwatch schemes had been carried out recently and it was good to see a number of schemes sharing equipment</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• it was unfortunate that neighbouring and further afield county's did not operate speedwatch schemes, as this therefore limited Wiltshire Police power in taking action against those offenders living outside of the county</li> <li>• police work on tackling drug misuse was a major priority and officers were involved in partnership and ongoing operations around this. It was often the case that drug misuse would be a component in any investigation of a murder or serious anti-social behaviour incident</li> <li>• referred to the Police and Crime Commissioners recent letter on the need to make it easier for victims of domestic abuse to report issues and to seek intelligence on a partner's previous convictions</li> </ul> <p>The following key points were made during the ensuing discussion:</p> <p>e) clarification would be sought on whether or not Wiltshire still ran speed awareness courses as an alternative to receiving a fine and licence points</p>
3	<p><u>Wiltshire Neighbourhood Watch Association</u></p> <p>Mike Davidson provided the <b>attached</b> update.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Karen and Mike to liaise over improving communications between neighbourhood watch co-ordinators / volunteers and this community safety group</li> <li>b) Karen to liaise with Mike to set up some drop in support and training sessions in Mere and Wilton</li> </ul> <p>The group discussed this and made the following further points:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) The police very much welcome the work of the Neighbourhood Watch Association and of the co-ordinators and volunteers and would always strive to support them in clarifying the benefit of community messaging and how to get the best out of it</li> <li>b) Later this year, the reporting of crime will be further assisted by use of 101 becoming free of charge (currently a 15p flat charge is levied), and the setting up of a new online reporting tool</li> <li>c) Police reiterated what were the correct emails to use when reporting incidents – but also stressed that the public think carefully about which incidents they report on email, as police are only really able to focus on the highly urgent ones:</li> </ul> <p><a href="mailto:CPTWestWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk">CPTWestWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk</a> (Tisbury/Mere)  <a href="mailto:CPTSouthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk">CPTSouthWiltshire@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk</a> (Wilton)</p>

5	<p><u>Wiltshire Council Service Update including from 4<sup>th</sup> June Area Board</u></p> <p>Karen updated the group regarding the role and work of the council's Community Safety team, which worked with partners to tackle issues of crime and community safety. She suggested it a possibility to invite a member of the team to a future meeting to perhaps highlight those high level crimes and issues that the team had been tackling in the community area. Mike Davidson explained that he, Karen and Merv had met with the team co-ordinator earlier in the year to explore how stronger links could be established between the county's Community Safety Partnership group and with local area community safety groups.</p> <p>Karen also talked the group through the discussions and key matters arising from the area board's public debate on local drug and alcohol misuse at the 4<sup>th</sup> June board meeting. The group noted the potential for the following, and that these would be pursued over the coming months:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a scrutiny exercise into issues such as youth drug taking and school support for those on the verge of exclusion because of drug misuse;</li> <li>• local action to support schools needing more volunteers to read to children whose parents struggle to support them in their education due to drug/alcohol misuse</li> <li>• help with the county's public health campaign in November to raise awareness of the issues around alcohol misuse</li> </ul>
6	<u>AOB</u> – none raised