

DRAFT NOTES OF THE COMMUNITY POLICE TASK GROUP ON SEPTEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup> AT POLICE STATION

Police attending : Lauren Fairley and Tom Newman

Present : Cllr Pip Ridout (Chair) Cllr Newbury (VC) Cllr Parks, Phil Holihead (Chapmanslade), Neil Carpenter (Corsley) Len Turner (WVCP) Nick Barton & Alan Russell (Sutton Veny) Kate Plastow (Crockerton)

Apologies: Nikki S-Clews (Upton S), Heather Parks?? Simon Wager

The chairman explained that this was the first meeting since Dec22 as police had been too short staffed to attend but thanked Lauren and Tom for changing shifts to make this meeting happen

She also stated that the Chief Constable and PCC would be coming to next AB meeting

(We were subsequently informed that the Chief Constable was unable to attend)

Lauren and Tom were then able to go through their roles and update us on current issues within Town and Rural in relation to Warminster Community area

A full report from Inspector Kevin Harmsworth is in the pack for next area board on Oct 11<sup>th</sup>

Members present then explained all their local problems Viz

Speeding – in town and villages Overweight trucks Noisy Cars – crackdown needed on exhausts? - ?? Boy racers – cars and motorbikes Electric scooters

Antisocial behaviour – RR was dealing with problems in Dene The Park quieter now schools back

Shoplifting increasing ( no rep from Shopwatch ??) Needs monitoring before Xmas when it spikes

Staffing – the active reality NOT the theory of how many they should have ( Lou on maternity, Matt on paternity (and is reassigned when returns). Tom is acting sgt for Matt and is Westbury based so covering 2 areas

Speedwatch has been restructured and TOM will send details of SW team .The list of locations is changed every 2/3 weeks and speed enforcement is staggered over areas .Cllr Newbury was worried about Chitterne who had cancelled theirs and Heytesbury; Cllr Parks and his villages had problems in Chapmanslade, Corsley & Maiden Bradley; Kate reported things were improving in Longbridge Deverill .The focus MUST be on getting people to join in CSW and getting SIDs and sending in the data [siddata@wiltshire.police.uk](mailto:siddata@wiltshire.police.uk). The info can only be accessed by police officer but Lauren showed us what is available on her laptop . Roads policing is done from Devizes

STAFFING concerns to be clarified with Chief Constable as it was explained that what complement should be – there are 5 response teams for Warminster, Westbury, Mere and Tisbury - should be active and not seconded or on maternity/paternity leave etc . It did seem that Warminster was quite understaffed from what it should have .

What is future for Warminster if returning to hubs – would it be based in Trowbridge

After nearly 2 hours of lively discussion the meeting closed – next meeting would be DEC/JAN and Pip would discuss and advise – as Sgt Matt would not be returning she would liaise with Lauren

