

# HAZLEMERE / CHEPPING WYCOMBE NAG

## Meeting of meeting held on 1st March 2012 At Sir William Ramsay School, Rose Avenue, Hazlemere

### Attendees:

David Onslow	Chair/Chepping Wycombe Parish Council
Peter Cartwright	Vice /Chair Bucks County Council
Carolyn Leonard)	Flackwell Heath Residents Association
Jean Johnson	Chepping Wycombe Parish Council
Sandy Macdiarmid	Penn & Tylers Green Residents Society
Richard Mapp	Sir William Ramsay School
Brian Mapletoft	Hazlemere PC/Hazlemere Residents Association
David Brown	Hazlemere Resident
Sgt Andrew Deane	Thames Valley Police HNPT
Robert Kin	Flackwell Heath Co Dir/ Loudwater Resident
David Johncock	Wycombe District Council

### Guests

Geoff Pegg	Wycombe District Neighbourhood Watch Association
Richard Boyle	Action4Youth
Tristan Hardy	Action4Youth
John Sparks	Hazlemere Neighbourhood Watch

1. Apologies for absence  
Les Willis, Alex Slater, David Gresswell
2. Appointment of minute-taker / note writer for the meeting  
Brian Mapletoft offered to take the notes for the meeting
3. Minutes of last meeting (19th January 2012)  
Accepted
- 4a Matter's arising from last meeting  
Correspondence with Chief Inspector Colin Seaton re HNPT Staff Changes, reply was non-committal. A meeting with our NAG chairman and Inspector Ray Wilks was pending  
**Action : David Onslow**
- 4b Items distributed since last meeting
  - January 14<sup>th</sup> 2012 Minutes of Hughendon NAG meeting of January 12th sent
  - January 24th 2012 Minutes of NAG meeting of 19<sup>th</sup> of January 2012 sent
  - January 25th 2012 January issue of HNPT Newsletter sentThere was no comment on these articles
5. Hazlemere Youth Club Update  
A presentation by Mr Richard Boyle from Action 4 Youth, was introduced by Richard Mapp Bucks CC had turned over the operation of the youth centre to a management committee. The original management committee had been unable to secure grants. Action 4 Youth and SWR school had met, and at a public meeting a new management committee was created. It was hoped the club would open after Easter, with two evenings, one for the juniors and one for seniors. They are looking for volunteers. Tristan Hardy was introduced as the youth apprentice helper. who had just joined Action 4 Youth. The judo would continue with Martin Ball providing continuity.

Funding for youth leaders would come from Bucks CC, with the school helping with maintenance and cleaning. Juniors were very popular, but the seniors showed less enthusiasm, and would require more work and support.

## 6 Community Messaging

An update on Community Messaging from Mr Geoff Pegg Chairman of Wycombe District Neighbourhood Watch Association.

Some 88% of the communications were sent by email, with the rest by phone.

Geoff Pegg described the demise of the old community messaging system, where Alan Clements had been retired, and the old system had atrophied in the absence of a proper handover.

Funding was also withdrawn for hiring venues for NHW, which also extended to suspending work on the database until end March.

There was great concern over the cessation of individual messaging. The service that had recommenced in October, was all about advice and patterns rather than individual crimes that were specific to an area.

Chief Inspector Colin Seaton had been invited to a NHW committee meeting.

Agreement had been reached on the format, and phone messaging was to be restored.

There appeared to be confusion within TVP, who did not appreciate that the problem had not been resolved.

Since summer 2011 crime information had been provided via Twitter, with a hyper-link to the TVP website. This had attracted 2500 followers against the NHW database of 1500, reaching perhaps 25000 households. It was felt that Twitter was being promoted at the expense of the original community messaging system.

It was noted that there would be an election in November for a police commissioner.

Action : Geoff Pegg

## 7 NAG priorities

### 7a NAG Priority - Anti-social behaviour / criminal damage update

- Further ASB on Recreation Ground FH

Whilst young people had been "moved on" as a result of cars and loud music, there was no evidence of drugs or alcohol, despite allegations of local residents. There was occasional boisterous behaviour on the Skateboard Park.

There was a Leisure Facility Committee meeting of CWPC that evening, to discuss the installation of the BMX Jumps facility, at which residents' objections would be listened to. Allegations had been made that not all incidents reported to the HNPT had been recorded, but this was not substantiated. The chairman commented that the new 101 non-emergency number was available for incidents to be reported.

Action : HNPT

- Magpie Lane FH update

CWPC chairman Jeff Herschel was to meet with BCC and residents of 52/54 Magpie Lane to cover actions on cutting back foliage along the footpath.

Action: David Onslow

- Hazlemere

Graffiti was on the increase, notably the bus shelter outside the library on Amersham Road, and the bus-stop outside SWR school on Rose Ave. WDC had been informed.

The desire for a skateboard park was noted, which would be pursued through HPC, where a number of alternative sites could be discussed. The desirability of keeping this some distance away from residents was noted.

Action : Brian Mapletoft

### 7b NAG priority – Speeding / Road Safety update

- Community Speedwatch FH

HNPT to provide suitable dates, then this would be arranged with the Straight Bit Road Rep Natalie Allen, several weeks in advance.

Action: HNPT

- Community Speedwatch Hazlemere

Two dates had resulted in HNPT-only monitoring, possibly because residents were diffident about being involved when personal retribution might result from any incident.

Action : Alex Slater

The 20 is Plenty banner for SWR school was about to be unfurled, and the chairman commented on the initiative of Alex Slater on making this happen. The "legality" of the political nature of the banner was queried.

It was noted that fines had increased for using mobile phones whilst driving, from £100 to £200, though the police had no spare resources for road safety. It was queried whether Community Speedwatch could be privatised.

Penn Road would be closed for resurfacing and the completion of the crossing that had been campaigned for by the HRA. London Road would be resurfaced in April.

Straight Bit FH was to be resurfaced at the end of March, but may be put back because of ongoing discussions about removing the speed humps

## 8 HNPT Staff changes

Sgt Deane was moving to Princes Risborough in exchange for Sgt Anne Dunbar.

There would be two PCSOs in Hazlemere, plus one back from maternity leave.

The Flackwell Heath/Loudwater PCSO post would be filled shortly, and the PC post had been re-advertised.

It was questioned whether TVP were distancing themselves from the NAG's. Their new approach was teamwork, rather than relying on single points of contact.

Role-sharing was part of the new ethos, enabling personnel to be flooded into crisis areas when required (eg Tylers Green had had a recent spate of break-ins).

Budget cuts on staff, were now beginning to bite (frozen pay, poorer pensions).

Hazlemere Neighbourhood Policing numbers should not be further affected, particularly since the old policy of setting targets from the centre had been abandoned.

## 9 Youth involvement

- BMX Facilities FH Update

There was general agreement that there was no connection between the BMX Jumps facility and ASB on the Recreation Ground car park. It was felt that it would be a good idea to illuminate the area.

The installation of the new facilities was moving towards a Public Consultation exercise, with outspoken residents against, and councillors, seeking to provide facilities for youngsters. A full CWPC Council meeting in April, would vote on the proposal

Action: David Johncock

## 10 NAG Funding

- Cheque from CWPC

A cheque for £250 would be presented by CWPC (Jeff Herschel) to the NAG in May at the AGM of the Council. The objective/utilisation of the funds would be notified to JH.

Action: David Onslow /David Johncock

## 11 Communications update

- NAG Article in January edition of FH Grapevine. No response to request for new members
- NAG Article for the Spring Issue of the CWPC Newsletter. Progressing. Action: David Onslow
- FHRA Public Consultation meeting 21<sup>st</sup> Jan 2011

Provisional results showed highest three complaints were:

- 1] Speed humps in Straight Bit
- 2] Speeding in the Village
- 3] Closure of Cherrymead Surgery FH

The full Public Consultation Meeting results had not yet been published

Action: Carolyn Leonard

- It was generally agreed that the NAG needed to become better known in the community for example through articles in Village Magazines/Web- sites on what has been achieved. Other ideas were précised articles from the HNPT Newsletter, or using the BFP. **Action: All**

## 12 Any other business

- Loudwater Forum Showcase Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> of March– St Peter's Church Loudwater.  
A showcase exhibition of clubs and organisations within Loudwater

### Date and venue of next meeting

- Thursday 12th April 2012 Sir William Ramsey School [provisional]