

# Northern Villages Community & Police (CaP) Group

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**Minutes of the meeting of the Northern Villages Community and Police Support Group held on 14 June 2017 in Sawdon Village Hall, Sawdon and began at 7pm.**

## Present

CLlr Mrs H Phillips (Chairman)	East Ayton Parish Council
PCSO Ria Lockey	North Yorkshire Police
Mrs E Mudd	Brompton-by-Sawdon Resident
CLlr P Morrell	Irton Parish Council
CLlr L Backhouse	Snainton Parish Council
CLlr S Willbourne	Brompton-by-Sawdon Parish Council
CLlr M Almond	West Ayton Parish Council
CLlr D Pendlebury	Hutton Buscel
CLlr Mrs V Milner	Seamer Parish Council
Mr J Milner	Seamer Resident
Tricia Colling (Secretary)	East Ayton resident & NHW/CSW

## Apologies for absence

Representative Wykeham Parish Council

- 1. The Chairman opened the meeting:** The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting and gave tribute to Mr Charles Agar (a former Seamer Parish Councillor who had attended meetings up to last year as a resident of Seamer) who had consistently attended meetings for over 13 years until recently when his personal circumstances changed ... his presence at our meetings is greatly missed. Sawdon Village Hall has recently had extensive renovations; the results are stunning.
- 2. The minutes of the meeting:** held on 8 March 2017 were agreed as accurate.
- 3. Matters Arising:** The Chairman asked if there had been any increases noticed on fly-tipping but none were known of.
- 4. Chairman's report:** The Chairman had not been contacted since the last meeting and it was agreed that this item on the agenda should be removed.  
**Action: the secretary will remove Chairman's report from the agenda.**
- 5. Police Report:** PCSO Lockey introduced herself – she has been 10yrs on the Barrowcliff estate and joined the Rural team in January 2017. She explained about No Cold Calling Zones (NCCZs) for which the lead agency is Trading Standards; a very successful NCCZ is in Cayton. The Scheme involves residents placing a no cold-calling sticker in their window

and there are signs that are erected on lamp-posts to alert cold callers that the NCCZ is in place. The Scheme is designed to reduce the opportunities for distraction burglaries or bogus tradesmen. PCSOs are the initial contact if anyone wishes to set up a No Cold Calling Zone but, as ever, funding is an issue due to cuts to Trading Standards budgets – however, it could be that Parish Councils may be able to match-fund future schemes.

**Action: PCSO Lockey to find out if Parish Councils can match-fund future schemes**

**UPDATE: An NCCZ app form has been received and mailed out with the newsletter.**

There have been instances in the Seamer area of a deaf person selling paintings door-to-door; PCSO Lockey asked that should this gentleman be seen, call it in to 101 so that his movements can be tracked.

**Action: ALL to report any sightings of this seller to North Yorkshire Police on 101**

The Horse Fair in the Seamer area is between 12 July and 15 July (4 days) – all is in place for their arrival with postings of Officers to monitor site and area. There is a blue line painted on grassland in the Knapton area on the A64 – PCSO Lockey to investigate and update on what the blue line is for; the site has been regularly used by Travellers who visit the area after Appleby Horse Fair.

**Action: PCSO Lockey to investigate the use of blue lines on grassland in Knapton area of A64**

An attempted burglary in the area has led to the perpetrator being arrested. A timely reminder is given to ensure all doors and windows are kept locked/secured especially if the home-owner is outside at the back of their properties.

There is an operation scheduled for the near future to monitor for speeding vehicles. Locations for speed operations to be carried out are co-ordinated by 95Alive and there are strict criteria that have to be adhered to in order to carry out speed monitoring.

A request was made for results on speed trials was made; can they be sent to Parish Councils (for example) for information purposes – the secretary will contact 95Alive

**Action: The secretary to contact 95Alive to ask if it is possible for speed reports to be sent to Parish Councils for information purposes only.**

Recently there has been a car seizure on the Seamer by-pass as the driver was found to have used a “Class A” drug; the vehicle was “flagged” by the ANPR system – ANPR stands for Automatic Number Plate Recognition. PCSO Lockey was thanked for her report.

- 6. Items raised by members of the Public** – on Saturday 10 June between 08:30 and 09:00 there was a loose pig on the roadside. A call was made to 101 but the call went unanswered – after 5 minutes the call was terminated. The question was raised as to should 999 have been called instead – PCSO Lockey responded that if the pig was in the road and/or could cause accident, then 999 would be the number to call, not 101. PCSO Lockey stated that the call to 101 not being answered after 5 minutes “on hold” was not acceptable.

- 7. Items raised by members of the Group**

**Irton** – a particular individual has returned to the area; there is a tendency for this individual to attract others to the area and Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) increases.

**Action:** PCSO Lockey will patrol the area of Irton and surrounding at a given time to monitor the situation.

**West Ayton** – the Bowling Club has had instances of burglary and (more recently) attempted burglary – advice has been given by Cllr Almond regarding installation of CCTV cameras. No damage was done this time, but he reported that measures are to be put in place.

**Seamer** – parking at the School is becoming dangerous (see following re Cllr Nock and Cllr Turner)

**Brompton-by-Sawdon** – school parking getting worse

**Snainton** – speeding is an issue; two speed cameras have been in the area recently.

**Special Guests** - The Chairman introduced Cllr John Nock (Portfolio holder for Parking) and Cllr Sandra Turner (Portfolio holder for Democracy, Safer and Stronger Communities).

Cllr Nock began by explaining that parking enforcement is never easy. Revenue from meters pay for car park maintenance and wardens – extra revenue isn't permitted (i.e. no profit is allowed) and the current system in place in the Borough create £90,000 per year with the maximum charge per ticket being slightly increased recently. If there are no parking restrictions and no obstruction, it is a Scarborough Borough Council issue; if there is an obstruction of the pavement it is a Police matter. Any signage changes to parking regulations can take up to two years to get consent; Civil Enforcement Officers give "5-minutes grace" before issuing a penalty ticket. After listening to the issues raised by group members Cllr Nock agreed to send 12-months statistics to the group and also agreed to "increase the presence" of Parking Enforcers over the next 10 days (from the meeting) for the five Villages currently experiencing parking issues in School areas. Anyone causing an obstruction will have their details taken and passed onto the Police for actioning; sometimes the Considerate Parking Scheme is used in certain cases. Feedback will hopefully be obtained from North Yorkshire Police as to how many tickets have been issued – but it was stressed that no "in-depth" facts would be provided.

Cllr Sandra Turner is the portfolio holder for Democracy, Safer and Stronger Communities and she informed the Group of the much-needed works carried out by Street Triage Teams in ensuring that vulnerable people are not held unnecessarily in Police custody. Some questions could not be fully answered at the meeting and Cllr Turner assured the group she would attend the next Cap Group meeting in September with some more information.

Both Cllr Nock and Cllr Turner were sincerely thanked for their attendance at the meeting and for giving such detailed responses to Group members' questions.

Cllr Phillips announced she is to run a Dementia Friends course for the Derwent Valley area in the near future.

#### **8. Date, time and place of future meetings – all meetings start at 7pm**

Wednesday **13 September 2017** – Tom Young Room, Seamer Village Hall, Seamer (**AGM**)

Wednesday **13 December 2017** – Hutton Buscel Village Hall, Hutton Buscel

Meeting closed at 20:40