

Grantham East
Neighbourhood Panel Meeting
Tuesday 4th November 2008

Present

Ray Wootten Councillor/Chairman
Linda Wootten Resident
Ian Selby Councillor Harrowby Ward
Colin Holloway Resident
Maryann Crossland Resident
Anne Whittington Neighbourhood Watch
Mary Treacy Harrowby Neighbourhood Group
Barrie Cox Grantham North Neighbourhood Group
Rachael Spence Local Journalist
J Rhodes Resident
PCSO Gill Taylor
PCSO Mark Jacklin

Apologises

Robert Young Headmaster Cliffedale School
Mike Whittington

Crime Trends

PCSO Taylor informed the panel that there had been a series of burglaries to homes in the Manthorpe area where entry was gained by forcing a rear window. Most offences had occurred during the latter part of the day and in most cases, jewellery was stolen. There are no description's of suspect's or any information of vehicles related to the crimes.

PCSO Taylor stated that one person had been arrested for the theft of a moped in the Harrowby area.

Open Tasks

Hills and Hollows

PCSO Taylor requested that this task remain open as there has been an increase in the number of youth riding off road bikes.

Buttercup Meadow

The Chairman informed the panel that he had a meeting with the Manthorpe Residents Association and Council representatives regarding clarification of outstanding money which could be used to fund play equipment. It was stated that the Council may adopt the land but no money was outstanding.

Pretoria Road

No further information was available for this task.

New Beacon Road

PCSO Taylor stated that Council permission to block the footpath which backs on to 103/105 Sharp Road cannot be given without Police approval. Therefore PC Bownes was compiling a report to be submitted to SKDC. Panel member for Harrowby stated that the warden for Sandon Close has been harassed by youths. PCSO Taylor said that she would inform PCSO Bownes who had control of the Policing plan for the Sharp Road project.

Closed Tasks

None reported

New Tasks

The policing team briefed the panel on the problem of young children, sometimes as many as 60 wandering around the Harrowby estate with nothing to do. PCSO Taylor said that the majority did not cause problems but they needed somewhere to meet. The Chairman suggested writing to the Community Safety Team to see if they could help. A discussion then took

place with panel members giving their suggestions to the policing team on how they could be helped.

Rushcliffe Road

Panel member for Rushcliffe Road highlighted a continuing problem of speeding vehicles and boy races causing problems at the corner shop. It was decided to pass this to on to PCSO Bownes for passing attention. The Chairman will liaise with the County Highways Officer to see if a solution can be found to stop speeding along Rushcliffe Road.

Any Other Business

Members of the public new to the panel highlighted continual problems of youths with drink that have caused criminal damage to property in Swinegate. Although an area not covered by this panel information will be passed to Inspector Housley.

There being no further business the meeting was closed.

Date of next meeting Tuesday 20th January 2009