

## WIMBORNE AND COLEHILL HOME WATCH

### COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE CANFORD NORTH ROOM AT THE ALLENDALE CENTRE

At 7p.m ON 29<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2015.

- **Welcome plus teas and coffee.**
- **Present :** John Shave (JS) Chairman, John Poat (JP) Treasurer and Membership secretary, Graham Mallett (GM) Area Co-ordinator and Editor, Joan Taylor (JT), Henry Bartlett (HB), John Warren (JW), Margaret Thompson (MT), Keith Baker (KB), PCSO Matt Brennan (MB), New Member Anthony Dalton (AD), Joy Ashmore (JA) Secretary.
- **Minutes of the Meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> September 2014,** no matters arising, it was proposed that the minutes be accepted, proposed by GM and seconded by HB.
- **Chairman's Update :**

Julia Howlett is now responsible for community safety across the Council areas of Christchurch and East Dorset. (Martha is now a temporary part time community event organiser for the PCC).

The Chairman advised that Alan Flint (West St Contact) had passed away.

Matt Brennan had won the Dorset Police PCSO of the Year Award. Julian Humphreys (Fe) was PC of the Year. Viv Frecknall, (St.Leonards and St. Ives Home Watch / Brian's wife) had won Watch Volunteer of the Year.

PCSOs Brennan & Shaw are starting PC training in March, as is Joe Cherrett (CM) – replacements for all 3 are expected in March/April.

Verwood Watch had a good result to invitation to appoint local co-ordinators.

Dorset Alert Messaging – hoping to set up micro site to enable local messaging.

ADW are holding an Open Meeting in Wimborne on 25<sup>th</sup> March.
- **Police Update –** including CSW, PACT & SNT priorities.

PCSO MB stated that Community Speed Watch is continuing, volunteers are needed in Colehill.

Shoplifting and crime figures in general have improved.

No new PACT priorities for Wimborne PACT and none for Colehill & Stour PACT.

JS wished PCSO success in his new role.
- **Council Update –** Town and Parish Boundary changes are going ahead as proposed.
- **Treasurer's Report:**

JP introduced Anthony (Tony) Dalton as his successor as Treasurer. AD gave a summary of his previous and present work and experience. It was agreed that AD would take over as Treasurer following the AGM. JP continued with his report:

**Funding –** Progress on agreed items and new ones for consideration;

Room hire and provision of refreshments for Contacts meetings – on going

Promotional advertising – ongoing?

Watch/SNT checkpoint meetings – ongoing subject to SNT availability

At least one promotional or crime prevention event per month– 2x monthly SNT surgeries.

Campaigns to promote shed/outbuilding security and bike marking/D lock £350.

POPP good neighbour scheme £150 not needed.

Cross district Watch Recruitment campaign - £400.

Contribution to The Reef Youth Centre - £250 was presented to Chairman David Tarring on 17<sup>th</sup> Jan, a report should appear in tomorrow's Stour & Avon magazine.

**New:**

Watch Contact recognition event and/or awards? It was suggested that there be an award for Watch Group of the Year.

Keep Safe booklets for members: JT questioned whether the printing mentioned would be sufficient for new members as well as the present membership and was reassured. Agreed to purchase 1750 at 20p.

**Publicity and Events:**

Use of demo kits.

Sheducation.

Monthly news in local magazines e.g. Stour and Avon, '4 Dorset' and parish mags.

Advertising of events – local media, Council notice boards.

National Neighbourhood Watch week -20<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>. June.

- **AGM.**

GM will arrange the date and venue of the AGM, and ask if The Reef could provide a speaker. *Post-meeting note:* AGM to take place on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 7p.m. in the 'Castleman A' Room at Allendale HOUSE.

- **Other business – Agenda items:**

Officer and Committee proposals: John Burden will remain on the committee, new Treasurer/Mem.Sec. Tony Dalton will take office following the AGM (including JP's current publicity role). John Shave was still looking for a replacement for the position of Chairman (and will remain on the committee); Graham Mallett has offered to stand in for a limited time. Keith will stand for Vice Chair. Our current independent examiner of accounts will act again this year.

JP will produce a proposal to fund a Suggestion Scheme for small projects to support crime prevention.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30 p.m.