



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday 7th January 2014 7.15 pm
Harrogate Fire Station

MINUTES

Present: Maureen Asher, Katy Piazza, Tina Oates, Keith Roberts (chair), Graham Slights, Catherine Park Peyton, Peter Dallas

Guests: Act. Sgt Tom Barker was welcomed to the meeting and introduced to the committee by the Chairman.

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Chris Oates, Reg. Rowett and John Hodgson, Nick Andralojc, Eric Walker.

2. Minutes of meeting held on 3rd September 2013.

These minutes were proposed by KP, seconded by GS and accepted unanimously.

3. Matters Arising

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The Chairman has arranged to meet with Insp. John Freer about the proposal to use an email system in lieu of Ringmaster for communication between police and coordinators.

CP said that the number of Ringmasters had increased in Harrogate which was quite an improvement.

11. Insp. Steve Radcliffe will be asked to liaise with EW for the proposed Ripon MSM. We will discuss and fix a date at the March meeting.

4. Police Report by Act. Sgt Tom Barker

4.1 Performance Jan 2013-Jan 2014

Overall net increase in crimes on previous year is only 0.1%. There have been significant specific increases in Harrogate:

Cycle theft +50% (45 more crimes)

Shoplifting +21% (110 more crimes)

Violent crime +9% (64 more crimes)

By Area overall:

Harrogate Town Centre -1.1% (14 less crimes) (A small group of young people is the main source of thefts in Bilton/Woodfield)

Harrogate Outer -4% (52 less crimes)

Knaresborough -2.8% (27 less crimes)

Ripon +10% (111 more crimes) biggest area of concern.

Specific problems – Insecure Sheds, Cycle theft, Opportunist shoplifting.

CP added comments from experiences in her area:

Garage break-ins – Need to advise people on improved security measures for garage doors. Generally need to re-stress simple precautions that can be effective.

Jewellery theft is more prevalent as it is easy to conceal and carry away.

CP expressed concerns that small shops and businesses in our communities are not getting involved in Watches to protect themselves unlike larger ones which are in Shop Watch and Business Watch.

CP is liaising with the local police to contact coordinators to arrange a social get together in the Bilton area to raise interest and awareness.

GS stressed the importance of feedback from the police about Ringmasters to inform on action taken. Sgt Barker agreed with this idea.

Sgt Barker finished his report by stressing the need to encourage the public to be proactive by immediately reporting suspicious incidents on 101 or 999. They should not be afraid to use 999 particularly at night. He stressed that no-one will be criticised for using 999 in good faith.

5. Chairman's Report

H&D NHW CHAIRMAN'S ACTIVITIES SINCE LAST COMMITTEE MEETING-3 SEP 2013

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| 6 Sept | CSP Domestic Abuse Seminar Organised by Simon Aston, CSP. Most disputes are about money. People are encouraged to report incidents and not ignore them. Loan sharks problems – a big problem. Many debts have been recovered. Again, please report any evidence. Paul Stephenson on Child exploitation – includes cyber bullying. Please report any evidence. PM – Woodfield Ward – Police Drop-in Surgery was poorly attended. |
| 11 Sept. | Technical Tasking Meeting HPS |
| 17 Sept. | Boroughbridge SNG Meeting |
| 24 Sept. | NY NHWA Committee Meeting (Hgte. Hosts) |
| 25 Sept. | I.A.G.Meeting - (Apologies sent) |
| 27 Sept. | Road Safety Committee – (Apologies sent) |
| 1 Oct. | Moor Monkton PC Meeting |
| 9 Oct. | Technical Tasking Meeting HPS |
| 15 Oct. | Ripon My Neighbourhood Meeting |
| 23 Oct. | Ripon AGE UK – Meeting (1/2 day) |
| 30 Oct. | H&D NHW AGM |
| 6 Nov. | Technical Tasking Meeting HPS |
| 7 Nov. | Ripon My Neighbourhood Meeting (Apologies sent) |
| 11 Nov. | CSP Meeting |
| 22 Nov. | LIFE COURSE – Passing Out Parade HFS |
| 28 Nov. | NHW Review (Aborted) Insp. JP Freer, PCSO Bex Moorhouse, CPP, KR |
| 30 Nov. | Knaresborough Road Christmas Fair – Fairfax Community Centre |
| 3 Dec. | Road Safety Committee Launch of new DVD/ Technical Tasking Meeting HPS |
| 3 Dec. | Moor Monkton NHW - refreshed and new coordinators appointed. |
| 9 Dec, | Woodfield Police Surgery |

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| 31 Dec. | Technical Tasking HPS |
| 7 Jan | H&D NHW Committee Meeting |
| 10 Jan | NHW Review – Insp. J P Freer, Bex, KR? |
| 17 Jan | Road Safety Committee RFS |
| 6 Feb | Granby Quality of Life Meeting |
| | Previously a good meeting which identified 12 potential coordinators. |
| 4 March | H&D NHW Committee Meeting |

6. Treasurer's Report

KP informed the meeting of the planned sale of RBS branches and accounts (including our account) to a new group of investors who are re-forming as Williams & Glyn's. This will occur sometime in 2015.

Easy Fundraising – disappointing. Need to promote in next Look Out.

Accounts from 01/09/13 to 06/01/14

Income

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| SmartWater | |
| Sales x 12 | £264.00 |
| Other Sales | £6.00 |
| Interest | £0.46 |
| Gift Aid | |
| Repayment | £30.03 |
| AGM Donations | £5.00 |
| Donations | £44.00 |
| <u>Total Income</u> | £349.49 |

Expenses

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| NHW Brochures | £120.00 |
| Audit Fee | £50.00 |
| AGM | £24.53 |
| Refreshments | |
| Laminating | £16.99 |
| Pouches | |
| MEM (Door | |
| Intercoms) | £140.40 |
| <u>Total Expenses</u> | £351.92 |

Bank Balance £4,494.69

7. North Yorkshire NY NHTA meeting 3 Dec 2013

TO, gave a brief report of the meeting held at Athena House, York.

Main items discussed were: Funding appeal, new coordinators' booklet, Ringmaster and Trading Standards.

Full unapproved minutes of this meeting may be found on the website: www.nynhwa.co.uk

Next meeting to be held on 25 Mar 2014 at Rydale Council Offices, Malton.

Meeting proposed for 2 Dec 2014, Harrogate Fire Station.

8. AGM Wednesday 30th Oct 2013 - Review

KR thought that the meeting went reasonably well and the venue was good, though attendance was less than the previous year. A discussion followed on the format – e.g. should we have formal business first or have the first speaker, then formal business, closing with second speaker. Also what is best time to have refreshments - on arrival, or halfway through? The venue was also questioned and whether to revert to Saturday morning. It was recommended that a microphone must be used and that we should avoid bonfire night, possibly delaying by a week. It could not be earlier as time is needed to produce the annual accounts. We need to think about these issues and decide at a later meeting. We also need suggestions for speakers – Victim Support was suggested.

9. Reports from other Meetings

Nothing to report.

10. Existing & New Schemes

The number of NHW schemes continues to expand. Further integration of Rural Watch is being encouraged.

11. Member's Support Meeting

The next MSM is proposed for Ripon on a Tuesday in early 2014. KR is to speak to EW about the arrangements.

12. Attendance at Oatlands Gala

We have been approached by the organisers about having our stand there again in June. To be discussed at next meeting.

13. Publicity

13.1 Newsletter – LOOK OUT

PD outlined the timetable for the issue of the January 2014 edition:

Drafts to PD about 14 Jan.; Enveloping about 21 Jan. Distribution by post and email before end of January.

13.2 New Leaflet

PD and MA volunteered to place copies in local libraries.

13.3 Press

No further comments.

13.4 Website

PD & KR outlined problems with getting website updated and outlined possible solutions that are being considered.

14. Any other business

None.

15. Dates of future meetings

Tuesday 4th March and Tuesday 6th May 2014 at Harrogate Fire Station commencing at 7:15 pm.

Meeting closed at 10:10pm