



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Tuesday 4th March 2014 7.15 pm

Harrogate Fire Station

MINUTES

Present: Maureen Asher, Katy Piazza, Tina Oates, Keith Roberts (chair), Graham Slights, Peter Dallas, Eric Walker, Nick Andralojc.

Guests: Insp. Steven Ratcliffe was welcomed to the meeting and introduced to the committee by the Chairman.

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Chris Oates, Catherine Park Peyton

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

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

3. Matters Arising

Item 4.1 Second to last paragraph by GS regarding feedback on Ringmasters - Insp. Ratcliffe to follow up.

Matters arising last meeting (proposed Ripon MSM) - Insp. Steven Ratcliffe and EW will follow up, propose a date and location and EW will report back.

There was a discussion about a NHW purchase of a CCTV system as used in Woodfield. EW offered to progress – spec from KWR and KR will draft terms of usage.

4. Police Report by Insp. Steven Ratcliffe

Performance Jan 2013-Jan 2014

Overall performance: reported crime down by -1%

Cycle theft +67.4% (often result of careless security but still worrying)

Shoplifting +12.3% (still cause for concern)

Violent crime +6.3%

Criminal Damage -9.1%

Burglary-Dwelling -9.9%

Robbery -13%

General Theft -5.7%

Public Order Offences -16.3%

Vehicle Offences -10.8%

Antisocial Behaviour -11% (result of extra special efforts by police)

Quality of life initiatives: Granby Ward - improvements achieved. Next area will be Ripon Minster Ward.

5. Chairman's Report

Chairman's Activities since last Committee Meeting to 6 May 2014

7 Jan H&D NHW Committee Meeting

10 Jan NHW Review Meeting with Insp. John Freer & PCSO Rebecca Moorhouse

17 Jan Road Safety Committee RFS

23 Jan Woodfield/Bilton Coordinators Meeting.

6 Feb Granby Ward 'My Neighbourhood' Meeting

10 Feb CSP Meeting – Apologised
 11 Feb Little Ribston Village Meeting (Several burglaries)
 26 Feb Technical Tasking Meeting HPS
 27 Feb Knaresborough SNG
 4 March H&D NHW Committee Meeting
 Planned Meetings up to next committee meeting:
 5 Mar CSP Planning Day Springfield House
 6 Mar CSP Action Day – Morning – Jennyfields & Bilton Burglaries
 11 Mar Boroughbridge SNG
 20 Mar CSP Action Day - Afternoon
 25 Mar NYNHW Meeting – Malton / CSP Action Day AM + PM
 26 Mar Technical Tasking Meeting HPS/AIG Meeting
 2 Apr CSP Action Day AM + PM
 26 Apr Technical Tasking Meeting HPS
 25 Apr Road Safety Meeting HFS
 6 May H&D NHW Committee Meeting

6. Treasurer's Report

Income

SmartWater Sales x 5	£110.00
Other Sales	£6.00
Interest	£0.46
Donations	£28.00

Total Income	£144.46
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Expenses

Bilton Coordinators Meeting	£57.84
Refreshments	
Barnsley Lock Co.	£67.70
MEM (Signs)	£6.60

Total Expenses	£132.14
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<u>Bank Balance</u>	<u>£4,482.01</u>
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7. North Yorkshire NY NHW meeting 3 Dec 2013

TO reported that for personal reasons she was unable to attend the December meeting but she has selected the following items of interest from the minutes:

7.1 Total number of Watches at end of Feb. was 13,382 and there are now more Rural Watch coordinators than NHW coordinators in the county.

7.2 A bid for £3,750 pa funding for three years to the PCC was rejected, despite previous assurances that it would be viewed favourably.

7.3 'Owl' messaging system has again been demonstrated but is no better than Ringmaster and is much more expensive.

7.4 An App being developed by Ringmaster was demonstrated recently but proved to be incompatible with NYPs systems which are running on an outdated Windows system.

7.5 A review is in hand looking at the boundaries of NYP and its Districts. The outcome will affect the boundaries of NHW areas in North Yorkshire.

7.6 Apparently in future there will only be two CSPs in North Yorkshire – one for the City of York and one for the rest of North Yorkshire. Each will have to bid separately to the PCC for funding.

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

8. Reports from other Meetings

Bilton and Woodfield Coordinators' Meeting – Due to the high number of criminal incidents it was agreed with police that we would organise a Coordinators meeting in order to encourage a more responsible and prompt reporting of suspicious incidents. Of the 125 Coordinators there was a very poor attendance. Chairman will follow up when the list of attendees is forwarded.

9. Existing & New Schemes

New Schemes set up since January:

Firs Close; Firs Gate; Firs Crescent; Firs Road. (Firs View will be incorporated into Firs Crescent)

Throstlenest Drive.

Latter end of Burnbridge Road.

10. Member's Support Meeting

Insp. Ratcliffe and EW to liaise on the MSM proposed for Ripon. The issue of disappointing attendances by Ripon coordinators at previous MSMs was discussed. The idea of a separate NHW Association for Ripon was mooted.

11. Attendance at Oatlands Gala

We have been approached by the organisers about having our stand there again on Sat. 7th June. KR will enquire of the availability of committee members for their support. To be discussed at next meeting.

12. Publicity

13.1 Newsletter – LOOK OUT

PD gave the timetable for the issue of the April 2014 edition:

Drafts to PD about 15 Apr.; Enveloping about 22nd Apr.

PD thanked MA for distributing the Jan edition to libraries.

13.2 Website

PD informed the meeting that David Siddans had kindly done various updates for us – most importantly the new SmartWater webpage and leaflet.

13. Any other business

KR requested that TO pass on the thanks of the committee to Chris for his contribution to the distribution of SmartWater, which we have now concluded, and to add our very best wishes for the future.

Long serving coordinator Evelyn McGillivray has retired and the Chairman will take a 'gift of thanks' on behalf of the committee.

14. Dates of future meetings

Tues.6th May and Tues.1st July 2014 at Harrogate Fire Station commencing at 7:15 pm.

Meeting closed at 10:00pm