

Amphill Community Safety Group

	Tuesday 14 th April 2015	Action
1	Present June Hutley, Peter Downing, Tim Norman, Helen Armitage, Alan Read	
2	Apologies Lloyd Hynes, Philip Whiteley	
3	Minutes Minutes of the 24 th February 2015 were agreed.	
4	Matters Arising	
4.1	Russell School We wrote to the Headteacher and the Chairman of Governors. June then spoke to the Headteacher. She said that the school is as exasperated as residents about the irresponsible parking. They have asked the police to attend, sent newsletters to parents and asked CBC to provide a drop off point or to introduce a one way system and a sleeping policeman. They have been told that posts and enforcement notices will only be installed after the building work is completed. ACSG will contact CBC to ask for more enforcement measures and visits by the mobile CCTV van.	JH/HA
4.2	Willow Way On behalf of ACSG, Helen addressed the last Highways and Planning Committee to ask them to fund the additional signage. The committee recommended approval. Unfortunately at the full council meeting the following Wednesday this was rejected on the basis that there is no money available in this year's spending plans. June has emailed Donna to asking whether money for this will be allocated when more funds are available but has not received a reply. June, Helen and Peter will attend the Town Meeting on Monday 20 th April 2015 to make further representation. June will email Joy Craven to seek more support from her and will approach John Seemarks with a view to him visiting the site with Peter. <i>Post meeting note: When pressed at the Town Meeting about the possibility of the Town Council funding these signs, the Mayor Mike Blair, said that they are not in favour of funding this type of thing as they feel that this is something CBC should be doing. He also said that they would pursue this with CBC.</i>	JH
4.3	Parkside Hall event June reported back on the event which, although enjoyable, was not quite what we expected. There was not much opportunity for networking as guests were formally seated at tables and the only place to display literature was one table in the foyer.	
4.4	Park Hill Alan said that a resident has been told by CBC that the only way of dealing with large vehicles being directed to this area by their sat. navs. is to put a weight limit sign at the bottom of the road. Tim will look into this as he has some knowledge of ways to avoid this problem and will report back.	TN
5	AOB	
5.1	HWRC June mentioned that there are plans to expand the Household Waste Recycling Centre with a site office, welfare facility and better parking. Peter questioned whether the problem of lorries backing up onto the road will be addressed when this is done. <i>Post meeting note: Peter asked this question at the Town Meeting Mike Blair said that he thought this was being included in the plans.</i>	

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5.2	<p>Community Watch</p> <p>June attended this meeting at the Police HQ in Kempston which was predominately a meeting for the PCSO and not the voluntary sector which was disappointing. The Police and Crime Commissioner spoke of his plans for the increase in the Council Tax precept to fund more police officers and two police officers spoke about their work in Luton working with the ethnic communities to try to avoid tension and conflict.</p>	
5.3	<p>Police Celebrating Volunteers Event</p> <p>Helen attended this held at the Rufus Centre which had a large Street Watch, Speed Watch and Neighbourhood Watch presence. John Plummer was there and received a special award.</p>	
5.4	<p>Local Crime Statistics</p> <p>Lloyd has produced a table of local crime statistics and is asking for further clarification on the sexual crimes category. There have been incidents outside Number 4 on the Market Square which needs watching to prevent it turning into another White Hart scenario. Peter and June will visit when doing their Street Watch patrol on Friday night together with the Zig Zags where drug taking has been reported.</p>	
5.5	<p>Highways Meeting 15th April</p> <p>The agenda has mainly planning applications so no ACSG members will attend.</p>	
5.6	<p>Warren Farm Stakeholders meeting</p> <p>Denison have nearly finalised the sale of the land to a new developer. The deal should be completed in May to one company who will abide by the plan already agreed. CBC have slightly amended the parking arrangements to reduce the number of parking spaces for each house.</p> <p>Peter mentioned that because of inadequate parking provided at the new football facility opposite the One-o-One garage, cars are parking in Flitwick Road past Redborne School and causing traffic problems especially if there is a car boot sale.</p> <p>Paul Duckett told the meeting that the car park at St Andrew's Place would soon be open and the diagonal parking in Bedford Street which was being funded by S106 money would also be completed.</p> <p>Paul also told the meeting that all social housing on new developments will be prioritised for local people.</p>	
5.7	<p>ACSG Leaflet</p> <p>This needs updating with our new logo and names of current members. We also need to locate the Street Watch logo.</p> <p><i>Post meeting note: June has contacted John P and he has sent this by email.</i></p>	JH
5.8	<p>Town Meeting</p> <p>Helen will email Clare Thomas to remind the police of the meeting as the presence of a senior police officer would be desirable.</p> <p><i>Post meeting note: Inspector Nouch and PCSO Juliet Wright attended.</i></p>	HA
5.9	<p>Date and time of next meeting</p> <p>This has been confirmed with Waitrose by June for Tuesday 26th May 2015 at 6.30pm.</p>	