

Amphill Community Safety Group

	ACSG Meeting Tuesday 7 th July	Action
	Present June Hutley Tim Norman Helen Armitage Lloyd Hynes Alan Read	
1	Apologies Peter Downing Philip Whiteley	
2	Minutes of 26 th May were approved	
3	Matters Arising	
3.1	<p>Russell School June read out notification of the measures CBC are proposing for double yellow lining and 20 mph speed limit around the school entrance, and inviting comments. Members wondered if the speed limit would be enforced, but welcomed the measures as a step in the right direction.</p>	Maintain watch
3.2	<p>Willow Way Peter has noted that marks have been made for where the signs are due to be but that the signs themselves have not yet been erected.</p>	Ongoing
3.3	<p>Park Hill Alan Read says the resident has been told a weight limit notice will be placed at the bottom of Park Hill, but it is unclear whether Paul Duckett's assurances are being acted upon. At the highways meeting, it was reported that because of air quality measures, there will be an adjustment to lorry satnavs to ensure they avoid using inappropriate routes such as Park Hill.</p>	Closed
3.4	<p>Local Crime Statistics Tim has received the April/May statistics and will circulate to other members.</p>	TN
3.5	<p>Station Road Paul Salmon visited for a site meeting with Peter, June and Amphill Mayor Sue Hinkin on Monday 29 June 2015. He proposed a scheme which would:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • tidy up the signage; • include flashing lights at busy school times; • install double yellow lines on the north side between the pedestrian crossing and as far as opposite Ashburnham Road; • raise the pedestrian crossing which would slow traffic down; • make the whole area 20mph; • extend the double yellow lines into The Crescent opposite the school entrance. <p>On the following Monday June experienced an incident where a car driver mounted the pavement on the wrong side of the road to avoid a school bus approaching from Dunstable Street.</p>	Ongoing
4.	<p>Mayor's Civic Service 19 July 2015 June and Helen to attend. Alan will also be there with the British Legion.</p>	Ongoing

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5.	<p>Carriageway maintenance</p> <p>This will start on the 20 July and will last for several weeks. Hopefully it will include the raised crossings. This will cause major problems when work is being carried out in the town centre by the roundabouts.</p>	Ongoing
6.	<p>Town Council Highways meeting 27 May 2015</p> <p>June and Peter attended. The problem of air quality was discussed at length by experts and the Town Council and has to be improved within the next 18 months, particularly around Bedford Street and Dunstable Street. The Town Council has been told the hourly rate must not be breached.</p>	Ongoing
7.	<p>Dealt with under matters arising.</p>	Ongoing
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9.	<p>Streetwatch</p> <p>June has received a thank you certificate from the police for the work done by Streetwatch. Sue Hinkin has been in touch with the manager at the White Hart. They will clear the site of the drug den as the land belongs to the premises.</p>	Ongoing
10.	<p>Death in Custody of Istiak Yusuf and Bedfordshire Police's new operating model for reporting burglaries - Colette Paul's letters</p> <p>Helen had attended the opening of the inquest for Istiak Yusuf and it is unlike the Leon Briggs case in that the death appears to be from natural causes and no blame can be attached to the police. Colette has written to the press complaining about the way this, and the new burglary response system are being misrepresented.</p>	Closed
11	<p>Colette Paul's resignation</p> <p>We expressed our regret that another change at the top was due so soon after the departure of Alf Hitchcock. Bedfordshire is badly serviced by the funding process as it has two major urban centres and an international airport. The funding doesn't reflect the additional workload these entail.</p>	Closed
12.	<p>Recruiting new members</p> <p>Members discussed putting an article in Around the Pump if Amphill Town Council will allow it. June will approach them about this. Helen suggested also using Streetlife, The Fuddler and The Oracle with a promotional ad. She will draft something and circulate it for approval. Helen will also start an email account so that interested people can respond to us directly.</p> <p>Post meeting note: Helen has opened an email account with the address: Acsq2015@outlook.com which all members can access with the password which she has emailed to them.</p>	<p>JH</p> <p>HA</p>
13.	<p>AOB</p> <p>June said there had been a large police presence of 'specials' at the Gala Day which was fortunate because there were a number of arrests involving drugs,, knives and other weapons. Most of those arrested came from the Luton area. Sadly this is the family day for the Amphill Festival.</p>	
14.	<p>Date and time of next meeting</p> <p>Tuesday 11 August 2015 at 18.30 in Waitrose' Meeting Room.</p>	

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