

Amphill. Clophill and Maulden Community Safety Group
Minutes of meeting held on 23rd May 2017

1.	Present June Hutley Tim Norman Peter Downing Helen Armitage Barbara Wheeler Cllr Paul Downing Apologies Lloyd Hynes Steve Ware Alan Read	Action
2.	Minutes The minutes of the meeting held on 4 th April were approved, after amendment to Item 2a after members' discussion: 'Peter and June to visit the Hub at different times to find out about access/opening times etc.'	
2a	Report from Cllr Paul Downing Cllr Downing had circulated to members the minutes of a recent Police and Crime panel meeting which was attended by HMIs Billingham and McCarthy who answered questions about their recent report which highlighted neighbourhood policing and serious crime as needing improvement. The minutes claim the new hub at the Fire station is now open to the public with an inspector and staff, which is not the case. A previous email about staffing to the town council remains unanswered. Paul will raise this at the meeting on 24 th . ACSG will write to the PCC drawing attention to the increase in crime figures and recommending more staff to be based at the hub. ACSG will continue to monitor crime figures closely. Cllr Downing has received constant complaints about parking in Bedford Street. He said there was now agreement for nurses at the Oliver Street surgeries to park at the back of the fire station. Re lorry monitoring, and the possible use of police cadets. The police would do their own risk assessment. Paul will raise at the ATC meeting. He will also ask about the possibility of moving of the tidy tip gates to avoid lorries queueing up on Abbey Lane.	PD JH/AII PD PD
3.	Matters arising	
3a	Station Road - work is due to start on Monday 29 th May which is a bank holiday. June will email Steve Lakin and check if this was still the plan.	JH
3b	Warren Farm	Ongoing
3c	Website June will speak to Steve about updating this.	SW/JH
3d	Local Plan Members questioned when the result of the public consultation will be released. June will sign up for email update.	JH
3e	Crime Figures discussed during 2a	Ongoing
3f	St George's Place	Closed
3g	Park Hill and Air Quality June has received a message from Kay Stirling to say that plans are being drawn up by two Highways Departments to remodel the town centre to improve air quality and also to improve congestion and safety. June will contact her again for more information.	JH
3h	Parking Strategy and Town Meeting Helen attended and reported as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the council offices are moving to the Football Club in August. • Natwest is to close on 13th June despite the petition. The mayor had a 	

	<p>meeting with the CEO who said the falling number of customers meant it was no longer viable but the ATM will stay, possibly moved to another location.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The police hub was to be officially opened on 19th April by the mayor and PCC. • Sue Hinkin reported that planning permission for the Covanta incinerator had been granted in 2013 and they were now applying for an environmental permit to operate it. There was a coalition of councillors from CBC and town and parish councils to oppose. A website has been created. The plant would emit noise and light 24 hours a day and a in the dip in the land means the smell wouldn't dissipate. There would be an impact on SSSIs currently supported by heritage funds. Covanta's own environmental impact report is out of date. • Stephen Addy, the chair of finance, outlined the council's expenditure details and money distribution. <p>Questions from the floor, including ASCGs question about the pavement outside the Queens Head. No undertakings were given that it would be tackled.</p> <p>On the parking proposals they are still awaiting some S106 moneys to be able to fund the changes..</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>Ongoing</p>
3i	<p>Nat West Closure and the Post Office Peter had a copy of an email from the fire safety officer who had inspected the Post Office in which he reports that provision for escape was adequate. Members suggested he should revisit after the bank closure on June 13th to see the impact of the extra footfall. Members should keep a record of the queues at peak times.</p>	<p>All</p>
3j	<p>Covanta Incinerator Dealt with under 3h.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
3k	<p>Dunstable Street Parking Tim has sent more emails for information but has heard nothing back. He will follow up again.</p>	<p>TN</p>
4	<p>Police Cadets and road census. Dealt with under 2a.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
5	<p>Overview and Scrutiny Committee. June will have a look at the website to see whether there are any comments following the questionnaire.</p>	<p>JH</p>
6	<p>Town Meeting. Dealt with under 3h.</p>	
	<p>Agenda Items</p>	
4	<p>PCC Reply to Cllr Downing re. staffing Kathryn Holloway's reply summarised crime data for 2016/17 which shows that crime in the Ampthill Ward overall is less than in Bedfordshire as a whole. She will write an article for Around the Pump so that residents are aware of PC Aaron Dagley's contact details. Her priority must be to increase the Response frontline.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
7	<p>Have Your Say Survey Members wondered how useful an exercise it was as there was a long list of issues, but it was only possible to choose one. We will await feedback.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
8	<p>AOB Tim reported that a number of sheds and outbuildings had been broken into in The Avenue.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
9	<p>Time and date of next meeting: July 4th, 1830 hours. Waitrose Meeting Room</p>	