

# **Arbury & Stockingford Community Forum**

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2013**  
**Stockingford Sports & Social Club**

## **Draft Notes of Meeting**

**Present:**

Cllr Barry Longden – Chair	NBBC
Cllr Chris Watkins – Vice Chair	NBBC
Cllr Caroline Phillips	WCC

**In Attendance:**

A Rigby, E Price – WCC  
Sgt P Speddings, Sgt D Williams, PC P Painter,  
PCSO M Shaw, PCSO K Owens – Warks Police  
S Poole– Positive About Young People  
Mercedes – PODWatch Committee Member  
R Wills, D Blease, O Ritson, J Beasley, K Beasley

**Apologies:**  
Cllr G Pomfrett, Cllr B Olnier and M Ryder

### **1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies**

Cllr Longden welcomed everyone to the meeting. Everyone introduced themselves. Apologies as listed were given.

### **2. POD Watch, Kingswood Road – update from young people**

The project is funded through the Home Office's Community Action Against Crime: Innovation Fund.

Nuneaton & Bedworth Neighbourhood Watch Association and Positive about Young People (PAYP) developed PODWatch, a youth led approach to tackling crime in the local area.

Shivorne, PAYP leads the young people project that meets on Tuesday evenings 4.30pm – 6.30pm on Kingswood Road open space 'field'. Mercedes is a Committee Member.

Shivorne presented a letter and model of the field that the young people put together to show the improvements they'd like to see in the area.

The model showed a play area with swings, slides and a skate park. The young people would like to see the area better maintained with more litter bins and posters displayed to remind residents to keep the area litter free. The young people have designed their own anti-litter posters. They would like an artist to help them spray paint the outside of the POD.

Barry thanked Shivorne for the support she's giving young people. A discussion took place with the following points made:

- A teenage youth shelter is planned to be installed between the POD and MUGGA
- The shelter and POD could be sprayed at the same time. Possible artist: Art-Alert.
- Skate park cost is likely to be prohibitive
- Anti-litter posters can be displayed at Kingswood Road noticeboard and Community Centre noticeboard
- PAYP to approach local schools for support – Nuneaton Academy, Park Lane Primary

- Other ideas to improve the field include: concrete circle for roller skating; seating area; better use of football pitch
- Grove Farm Community Centre to consider opening up for young people

Shivorne invited everyone to come to the POD on a Tuesday.

### **3. Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT) Update**

A detailed report was received from Warwickshire Police reporting on statistics and trends in the Arbury and Stockingford Community Forum area. For further information about the Safer Neighbourhood Teams please visit: <http://www.safer-neighbourhoods.co.uk/your-neighbourhood/nuneaton-and-bedworth-district>

- PC Painter fed back on policing from Nuneaton South SNT (Arbury area).  
Increase in number of police officers for area  
Increase in theft from vehicles on The Raywoods and GE hospital  
Decrease in burglary dwellings. Neighbourhood Watch set up in The Raywoods  
Drug warrant issued for Bermuda Road  
Increase in criminal damage – car tyre slashing on Heath End Road
- PCSO Owens fed back on policing from Nuneaton West SNT (Kingswood area).  
Dispersal Order around Nisa, Kingswood Road in force for 6 months. One caution, two Acceptable Behaviour Contracts (ABC) issued  
Stockingford Primary School lunchtime football match with pupils  
St Paul's library - post coding bike event to be held before and after Christmas  
Ansley Road speed checks – 8 drivers caught speeding  
Kingswood Road – 4 Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinators recruited  
Off-road motorbike team - new funding in place to train up 2 SNT officers
- PCSO Shaw fed back on policing from Nuneaton West SNT (Bar Pool area).  
Tow path at 'cat-gallows' bridge - multi-agency approach (inc. WCC, N&BBC, police) to tackle anti-social behaviour  
Croft Road speed checks – no offences  
PC Sharon Coldrick joins Bar Pool beat to support PCSO Woodhams

### **4. The Councils – briefing and feedback from September meeting**

Barry Longden reported back on the issues and actions from the last meeting. A table of issues and actions was circulated with the agenda.

A presentation on the completed Bermuda transport bridge feasibility study should be available at the next scheduled Forum meeting.

### **5. Current Local Issues**

Request for litter bin on Kingswood Road near Spa shop to be replaced after it was vandalised and removed.

Request for water leak on Pennine Way to be reported to Severn Trent.

### **6. Summary & Close**

Barry wished everyone a merry Christmas. Future arrangements for the Forum are under review. A date will be set pending the outcome of the review.