WHITNASH COMMUNITY FORUM

7th March 2018 Actions and main points from the meeting

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Agenda item	Main points and actions agreed			
Welcome / Minutes of last meeting	Cllr Judy Falp welcomed everybody and introduced the members of the Forum planning group.			
	Minutes of 4 October 2017 were agreed.			
Safer Neighbourhood Team	PC Rachel Smith and PCSO Steve Sample gave an update on behalf of Whitnash Safer Neighbourhood Team (SNT). Handouts were shared at the meeting. Whitnash SNT tel. 01926 684248 or 101			
	Police surgeries at Whitnash Library on alternate Fridays 1pm - 3pm. Starting Friday 9 th March. All welcome Look out for information on new mobile evening surgery at Acre Close.			
	 St Margaret's school parking: lots of proactive work done with parents, school, and near-by residents. School poster competition proposed for pupils to help highlight road safety issues Parking improved noticeably in Moorhill Road and Morse Road 			
	 In response to questions: Beware of latest mobile phone text scam saying 'your card has been used fraudulently' then asking for card details to reimburse funds Police to leaflet drop Glebe Court to highlight inconsiderate parking Nuisance / bogus calls can be blocked by phone companies eg Call Guardian by BT; Sky Shield 			
	Residents are encouraged to sign up to the police Community Messaging Service which provides up to date information on what is happening locally. For more information: https://www.warwickshire.police.uk/register			
	The Forum agreed the following policing priorities for the next four months:			
	 Inconsiderate parking Speeding Anti Social Behaviour in the local parks 			
	It was also agreed to hold 'bogus caller awareness surgeries'			
	Voting was done on-line and using postal boxes at shops and community venues			
Whitnash Community Hub - update	Cllr Tony Heath and Cllr Judy Falp gave an update on the proposed new Community Hub at Acre Close which would replace the existing community centre.			
	Whitnash Neighbourhood Plan 2011 – 2029 lists the new Hub as a key priority for the development of the town following public consultation. Whitnash Town Council is aiming to raise £1.6 million to fund the project which			

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	would provide a sports hall, library, café, meeting rooms and offices for the Town Council.			
	Exterior and interior plans for the building were shown as well as a breakdown of funding sources. £1.1 million is secured and £0.3 million committed. To help meet the shortfall Whitnash Town Council will take out a Public Works Loan Board loan of £100,000 to be added to Town Council precept.			
	A crowdfunding application is also being considered to help raise funds from donations and sponsorship by residents, businesses and local authority support. To find out more about crowdfunding: https://www.spacehive.com/discoverprojects			
	Hub is scheduled to open Summer 2019.			
Community Forum Fund feedback	Funding report: Jenny Mason, Whitnash Town Council reported back on refurbishment of the red phone box by Remember When UK. The phone box is now back in situ outside St Margaret's Church in the conservation area. The phone box will have a padlock fitted to the door. The phone box will be used as a public display for events and local projects. Ideas for use include: knitted poppy display; Christmas trees display school displays			
	Jenny Coles has kindly volunteered to keep the phone box clean and tidy.			
Community Forum Grant Fund	The Forum agreed to award the following grant from the Community Forum Fund - a joint pot of £10,000 (£5k from WCC + £5K from WDC):			
	Applicant name	Project	£ awarded	
	Whitnash Town Council	Contribution towards 8 self watering		
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