

CAMP HILL AND GALLEY COMMON LOCALITIES FORUM MINUTES

Thursday, 4th June 2015, 7.00pm
At Haunchwood Sports and Social Club
Valley Road, Galley Common, Nuneaton, CV10 9NH

Attendees: Cllr Corinne Davies (WCC), Cllr Phil Johnson (WCC), Cllr Ian Lloyd (NBBC), Cllr Paul Hickling (NBBC), Chris Egan (Pride in Camp Hill), Gary Phillips (WCC), PC Iain Sherwin (Warwickshire Police)

Apologies: Cllr Dennis Harvey (NBBC), Cllr Christine Bennett (NBBC), Dawn Dawson (NBBC), Simon Smith (WCC), Sgt Paul Speddings (Warwickshire Police)

There were approximately 6 Camp Hill residents and 3 Whittleford residents at the meeting and 4 from Galley Common.

1. Welcome, Introductions and Apologies

Apologies were noted as above.

2. Police – Briefing and Feedback from the Last Meeting

PC Iain Sherwin provide an overview and statistical breakdown for the Camp Hill and Galley Common areas.

March, April and May Overview			Comment
	Camp Hill	Galley Common	
Criminal Damage	50	10	High for the Camp Hill area.
Burglary	12	4	High for the Camp Hill area.
Violence	28	13	Mainly low level incidents and not stranger related reports.
Theft	63	16	
Vehicle Crime	25	16	
Drug Incidents	7	21	High number in Galley Common reflects multiple reports for same properties.
Anti-social Behaviour	84	42	High for the Camp Hill Area.

In summary, PC Sherwin highlighted that multiple actions are currently being undertaken against a small number of individuals which accounts for the high number of incidents in the Camp Hill area. It is expected that the number of incidents will be greatly reduced for the next quarter as the current actions will be completed. Camp Hill now has a 2nd police officer patrolling the area due to the increase in figures.

The figures for the Galley Common area (excluding the drug related incidents) remain average for the area.

PC Sherwin also highlighted concerns regarding the use of legal highs and MCAT which is a methadone based drug. He asked residents to speak to their local officers if they have any information on the use of drugs in their area.

3. The Council – Briefing and Feedback from the Last Meeting

With no priorities taken at the last Forum meeting Cllr Phil Johnson opened up discussion on current local issues.

Park Lane, Low Bridge

Gary Phillips, Warwickshire County Council Fire and Rescue, had been invited to the Forum to discuss concerns raised on emergency services accessing Galley Common via Park Lane and the low bridge.

Residents were assured that the fire service was aware of the Park Lane low bridge and that call centre staff had been briefed to ask callers for additional information to ensure that the crew arrives on the right side of the bridge. When calls come in to report incidents with an unclear location, particularly house fires, two crews are dispatched to ensure both sides of the bridge are covered thereby avoiding any delays.

Parking on Plough Hill Road/Hickman Road

Concerns were raised at the last Forum regarding a white transit van parking on the brow of Plough Hill, which caused an obstruction and forced motorists to drive on the wrong side of the road at this blind spot.

PC Sherwin reported that a warning and penalty notice has been given to the owner and that he will continue to monitor the situation.

Cllr Phil Johnson is looking into the possibility of a TRO/yellow lines for this area as a long term measure.

Fly Tipping in Park Lane

Following a number of reports from residents the problems with fly tipping in Park Lane seem to be increasing. Residents suggested additional signage or CCTV cameras could be installed in this area. Cllr Paul Hickling will investigate and report back.

Incident at Park Lane School

Residents asked why NBBC delayed in responding to the incident with the foxes at Park Lane School.

Valley Road Recycling Area

Residents reported that the brook near Valley Road Recycling area, which runs along the back of the Social Club, is blocked by rubbish in a number of places. This has been reported previously but no action seems to have been taken.

Cllr Paul Hickling to look into this and report back.

Speeding on Plough Hill Road

Residents requested an update on issues previously reported in this area. Cllr Johnson reported that flashing speed reminder signs are due to be installed later in this financial year.

Concerns were also raised in relation to speeding cars on Haunchwood, Tompkinson and Kingswood Roads. PC Sherwin to report the issues raised.

White Lines on Ansley Lane

Residents reported that the lack of white lines and profusion of pot holes on Ansley Lane makes the road dangerous when driving towards Smorrall Lane in Bedworth.

4. Current Local Issues

No matters were raised during this item.

5. Summary and Close

The meeting was closed. Next meeting: Thursday 1st October at 7pm, venue CHESS