



RADLETT, ALDENHAM AND BUSHEY COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP (CSP) MEETING

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 20 March 2017 at Newberries Primary School in Radlett.

Attendees:	Dr Raymond Coffey (Chair)	Resident
	Cllr Estelle Samuelson (Vice Chair)	Aldenham Parish Council
	Zoe Keyte (Minutes)	Hertsmere Borough Council
	Valerie Kane	Hertsmere Borough Council
	PC Gerard Handscombe	Hertfordshire Constabulary
	Cllr Pervez Choudhury	Hertsmere Borough Council
	David Grossman	Neighbourhood Watch
	Rosamund Gray	Radlett & Aldenham Good Neighbours
	John Howley	Resident
	Clive Glover	Neighbourhood Watch
	David Winder	Silver Kettle Foundation
	Vivien Summers	Resident
	Valerie Green	Resident
	Dennis Sandor	Resident
	Cllr Caroline Clapper	Hertfordshire County Council
	Jack Clapper	Resident
	Cllr Laurence Davis	Hertsmere Borough Council
	Stuart Nagler	PCC Office
	Mike Shrives	Hertsmere Borough Watch
	Victor Boulter	Resident
	PCSO Leon James	Hertfordshire Constabulary
	Cllr Seamus Quilty	Hertfordshire County Council
	Cllr Paul Morris	Hertsmere Borough Council
	Angela Thomson	Radlett Neighbourhood Watch

Apologies for absence:	Dick Lawrence	Hertfordshire Fire and Rescue
	Cllr Brenda Batten	Hertsmere Borough Council
	Sgt Iain Brunt	Hertfordshire Constabulary
	Cllr Neil Payne	Hertsmere Borough Council
	Cllr Viv Charrett	Aldenham Parish Council
	Lee Haward	Hertfordshire Fire and Rescue
	Liz Bissett	Resident
	Cllr Anne Swerling	Hertsmere Borough Council
	Cllr David Lambert	Hertsmere Borough Council
	Cllr Linda Silver	Hertsmere Borough Council
	Michael Cumbers	Resident

	Marion Cumbers	Resident
	Henry Saunders	Resident
	Linda Rauch	Chair, Bushey Forum

1.0	<u>Welcomes and apologies</u>
1.1	The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and went through the list of apologies.
1.2	The Chair introduced those sitting around him; PC Gerard Handscombe, Valerie Kane (Community Safety Manager), Zoe Keyte (Partnerships Support Officer) and Cllr Estelle Samuelson.
2.0	<u>Minutes, actions and matter arising from the previous meeting (10 October 2016)</u>
2.1	The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed as a true record and no further updates were required.
3.0	<u>Community Safety Partnership (CSP) update</u>
3.1	Valerie gave an update to the group.
3.2	A successful bid was made to the Police and Crime Commissioners Community Safety Grant Fund. The approved bid is for the delivery of an E-Safety programme in schools across Hertsmere for year 5 and 6 students. The initiative will raise awareness of the potential risks and consequences when using social media. Empowering students to prevent them getting into risky situations whilst also empowering parents/carers to support the child and increase resilience both on and off line. This will be delivered to 37 schools in Hertsmere.
3.3	Welwyn Hatfield and St Albans & Hertsmere Domestic Abuse Fora held the 14 th annual Domestic Abuse Conference at the beginning of March. This year's topic was 'Male Victims and Perpetrators'. A male survivor opened the conference and spoke about his experience to approximately 150 professionals and members of the voluntary sector. The young man talked about the emotional abuse he suffered from his partner, which led him to lose his home and the subsequent impact on his mental health. Other presentations were made by representatives of Hertfordshire Constabulary's Domestic Abuse Investigation and Safeguarding Unit (DAISU); Mencentric, The Stefanou Foundation - healthy relationships, health baby programme, and Caring Dads an intervention programme for men who have abused and neglected their children.
3.4	Reports of domestic abuse have risen by over 20% in the last year and it is predicted that over half of victims do not report.
3.5	ACTION: Valerie will bring more targeted statistics to Hertsmere to the next meeting.
3.6	Valerie thanked Angela Thomson who collected toiletries and essentials for the local women's domestic abuse refuge before Christmas. The response was overwhelming and we managed to collect three car loads of goodies to donate.

4.0	<u>Hertfordshire Constabulary Update</u>
4.1	PC Gerard Handscombe gave an update to the group.
4.2	<u>Staff movements</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspector Edwards has joined the team as Neighbourhood Inspector. • PC Ailsa Turnbull is now covering Radlett alongside PC Dean Edwards. • New PCSO's Abbas Hussain and Leon James have joined the team and are both covering Bushey North. • PCSO Elliott McDermott and PCSO Tim Conway are now covering Radlett.
4.3	<u>Radlett update</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The team received a letter of appreciation from Police and Crime Commissioner David Lloyd after their policing of the Holocaust Memorial Parade in January. • There has been an arrest of two suspects for criminal damage at Phillimore Rec, an investigation is ongoing. • A smart car was abandoned in the parking bays outside the Radlett Centre in November. It was checked by police on several occasions when parking tickets started to appear on it. Its owner had returned abroad and dumped the vehicle, as it was not causing any obstructions it was not a matter for the police. There was nothing to suggest that it was there for sinister means - it was clear it had been dumped. As this was registered as an abandoned vehicle it was subsequently removed. • The team attended the Radlett Winter Fair and held a stall. • School patrols are being carried out at Newberries, St. Johns, Fairfield and Haberdashers to monitor traffic problems. • Anti-social behaviour (ASB) patrols have been carried out at Phillimore Place following reports of youths smoking drugs and hanging around in the car park. • An Internet Safety stall was set up in Radlett Library and information was given. • Cadets carried out their crime prevention visits around Newberries Avenue. • Following an increase in ASB in Radlett including damage to the Phillimore Recreation Ground Toilets, disruption of a Council Meeting and General Misbehaviour around the area. Groups of youths have been stopped and details taken, there is the possibility of banning letters being sent out to the youths involved. • Beat Surgery's will continue to be held around the villages and outlying areas of Aldenham. Future dates include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 7 April 9am-4pm in Aldenham Parish - 18 April 2pm-4pm at the Radlett Centre - 28 April 2.30pm-4.30pm at Radlett Library
4.4	<u>Bushey update</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Safer Streets visit was held in Park Avenue, 108 addresses were visited and 34 questionnaires were completed. 23 OWL sign ups. • Attended Highwood School meeting with councillor regarding parking issues – held a meeting in December and asked through the school emails for parents, staff and local residents to attend Royal British Legion to discuss parking issues.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assisted in the Mayor and Cllr Jane West’s clean-up campaign along Mill Way in March. • Visited play groups in the area and gave the opportunity for children to dress up in police clothes and sit in the police car. • School patrols are ongoing. • The area is being hit hard with garage break-ins, theft from motor vehicles and the theft of mopeds. The team have been offering crime prevention advice in relation to locking and securing vehicles and adding additional security for garage doors. • Dealing with ASB issues around Collins Court regarding littering, youth and damage. • Drugs warrant executed in Lambert Court in February. One occupant was charged and convicted at court for the possession of class A and B drugs. • Travellers on ‘Europcar’ site were evicted and the team continue to work with potential future sites they may attend to try and secure them. • Numerous youths have been stopped and referred to the ASB Officer for various examples of cycling, mainly wheelies. They have been issued with various forms of behavioural contracts and warnings. Operations have been completed in Bushey working with Bushey Academy to educate and highlight good/bad examples of cycling to/from school. • Beat Surgery’s on going although times have changed due to comments made at previous meeting still lacking public attendance. Future Beat Surgery dates include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 19 April 3-4pm at Bushey Library - 10 May 3-4pm at Bushey Library - 28 June 3-4pm at Bushey Library • Held a property marking event where 19 mobile phones, 3 laptops and 7 pedal cycles were marked.
<p>4.5</p>	<p>Future Events include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operation Raj (an operation designed to target rogue traders, distraction burglary, fly-tippers and unsafe taxis/private hire vehicles) planned for the end of March. • Beat Surgery’s • Allotment Watch • PL8 S4FE
<p>4.6</p>	<p>A resident raised concerns about burglaries in Radlett and how difficult it is to know whether to report suspicious people due to building work and new developments. For example if there are people dressed as workers, how would they know to report them? Gerard told the group that if they see anything that they think might be suspicious, please call 101. The police would rather know so they can check it.</p>
<p>4.7</p>	<p>Residents were reminded that Hertfordshire Police have Twitter, as does each Safer Neighbourhood Team, where they post updates and information for residents. @HertsPolice @BusheyPolice @RadlettPolice @HertsmereBC</p>

5.0	<u>Local Issues</u>
5.1	A resident raised concerns about the pavements in Melbourne Road. They cannot get through on the pathway; they must go on the road to get past. Cllr Seamus Quilty explained that there are problems with pavements across the whole of Hertsmere. Money is spent on a priority basis and unfortunately roads are dealt with first. Cllr Quilty has visited Melbourne Road and asked for residents opinions but didn't hear anything back.
5.2	Another resident raised concerns about the traffic at the top of Loom Lane. The police explained that they have previously done a speed test there but the speed was not as high as it appears. Cllr Caroline Clapper told the group that proposals to make it a one way road had gone to consultation. The possibility of making Watling Street and surrounding areas 20mph will also go to consultation next year.
5.3	A resident asked what was being done about a blind corner in Radlett where the pavement ceases. Cllr Clapper explained that they are coming up with ideas for this and will update at the next meeting.
5.4	ACTION: Cllr Caroline Clapper to update the group on the progress of the above at the next meeting.
5.5	Cllr Clapper has asked to redo the signage on Station Road at the junction as there have been lots of accidents there.
5.6	Residents were reminded that as well as contacting their local county councillor about road issues, they must log the issues with Hertfordshire Highways too. This can be done online or call them for advice on 0300 123 4047.
5.7	It was announced that the Community Safety Partnership are currently reviewing the suitability and sustainability of the local CSP meetings across the borough which are held three times a year. The result of the review will be clearer in the next couple of months.
5.8	Police reminded residents not to bottle up issues to bring to the CSP meetings, there are regular opportunities to attend Beat Surgery's and have one to one interaction with PCSO's which tend to be more productive. Residents can also call the police on 101 or the council's CSP team on 0208 207 7801 with any issues.
5.9	Stuart Nagler commented that there are over 40,000 people in Bushey and Radlett and we only have 13 residents that are interested in attending the CSP meetings. Stuart suggested looking for other ways to make more people attend.
5.10	Cllr Seamus Quilty commented that he finds the meetings a useful tool to find out what's going on in the area. Cllr Quilty stated that he is happy to fund local meetings in Bushey with locality budgets and Cllr Clapper offered to do the same for Radlett.

6.0	<u>Making a Difference Event</u>
6.1	Valerie told the group about an event that took place in Borehamwood and Elstree last year called Making a Difference Together. Valerie showed a video which was taken at the event.
6.2	Valerie told the group that this is something that the CSP would like to run in Radlett and Bushey in the future.
7.0	<u>Dates of future meetings</u>
7.1	To be confirmed.