

AMPTHILL COMMUNITY SAFETY GROUP

Minutes: ACSG meeting held at Ampt Hill Town Council Offices 10th March 2009

Present: John Plummer; June Hutley; Tim Norman; Peter Downing; Lloyd Hynes; Bob Barton; Mark Stubbs; Janet Moore; Chris Yates; Dave Rollings

Introduction.

John Plummer welcomed new member Chris Yates and members unable to attend first meeting Janet Moore and Mark Stubbs.

Minutes of January 26th meeting were approved.

Matters arising

With reference to finances it was clarified that for financial transactions only two from three signatures would be necessary.

Finances

- Discussions regarding Sub Account with REVAMP are ongoing.
- Dave Rollings is awaiting April 1st changeover to establish what budgets are available.

Aims and objectives

ACSG Aims and Objectives will be included in the next edition of *Around The Pump*.

Feedback from Community Safety Forum 24th Feb 2009

John Plummer made the following observations from the meeting.

- There was not enough focus on priorities at the forum. (A view supported by Lloyd Hynes and Dave Rollings). ACSG should take the lead and identify priorities.
- Fresh issues raised were; Illegal use of mobile phones; Woburn St Pedestrian Crossing; Cold Calling; Inconsiderate Parking (Highway Code 243)

Priorities

Following a discussion the following priorities were identified and *agreed*:

1. **Neighbourhood Policing.** There should be more daytime police visibility within the town centre. *Post meeting note: John Plummer has written to Sgt Nigel Denham at Ampt Hill Police Station. Action JP*
2. **Disorderly Conduct. (esp Fri/Sat Evenings)** ACSG to write to Ampt Hill Town Council (ATC) and recommend an additional camera in the town centre. (e.g Mobile type as used in Sandy and Biggleswade). *Post meeting note: John Plummer has written to ATC. Action JP*
3. **Speeding.** ACSG to volunteer assistance with any activities. *Post meeting note: John Plummer has met and written to Sgt Nigel Denham at Ampt Hill Police Station. Action JP*
4. **Jack and Jill Playgroup.** PC Element to be informed of youth anti social behaviour and vandalism affecting the Jack and Jill Playgroup playground and building. *Post meeting note: DR has since contacted PC Element and awaits reply. Action DR*

AOB

- Ampt Hill Town Council (ATC) is holding a clinic in the Waitrose foyer on Sat 28th March 10am to 12am. *Post meeting note: JP has been advised since that the ATC will not be holding a clinic. Waitrose are very happy to accommodate ACSG (John, Pete, June and Bob)*
- Members will visit Police Control Room at Kempston. *Date TBA*
- Members may also be able to visit Stevenage. *TBA Action DR*
- Burglar Awareness leaflets are available at www.crimereduction.homeoffice.gov.uk Note. another useful *site* is; www.safer-beds.org (For Ringmaster)
- Ampt Hill Town Council Town Meeting is 8th April 2009 in The Nottingham Rooms.

Date of next meeting; Tuesday 21st April 2009 in WAITROSE meeting room (Upstairs) 7pm