Sprowston and Old Catton

SNAP meeting minutes

The Pavilion, Old Catton

Date 5th February 2019

Panel members present:

Chair Councillor Judy Leggett
Cllr Robin Tovell, Old Catton Parish Council

PC Russ Tupper, Beat Manager Sprowston and Old Catton

Also present:

Ian Moncur District Councillor, Chair - Sprowston Town Council Karen Vincent, County and District Councillor for Old Catton John Ward, County Councillor ad District Councillor for Sprowston Barry Leggett, Old Catton Parish Councillor 11 members of the public, including members of SYEP with Youth Leader C Lincoln.

1. Apologies

Panel member Cllr Bill Cousins, Sprowston Town Council.
Cllr B Sabberton-Coe, Old Catton Parish Council
The chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and Introduced PC Russ Tupper the new Beat Manager for Sprowston and Old Catton.

2. Minutes of last meeting held 22nd October 2018

These were agreed as a true record

3. Matters arising and Priorities for last quarter

Cllr Vincent reported that incorporating pedestrian lights to the traffic lights at the Woodman would cost £100,000 and thus was not viable.

PC Tupper reported on last quarter's priorities: no further ASB had been reported at the north end of St Faiths Road or on Taylors Lane.

Numerous speeding checks had been carried out and words of advice given. In Linacre Avenue 3 out of 10 cars were over the limit but the number of vehicles was comparatively low whilst on St Faiths 5 to 6 out of 100 were over the speed limit but there is a greater volume of traffic.

4. Public discussion

In response to:

complaints about parking outside schools on the yellow zigzags and on pavements and causing an obstruction, PC Tupper plans to visit all schools and where parking problems occur encourage the schools to send letters to all parents where appropriate. PC Tupper can send a formal letter to the car driver.

In response to complaints about parking near "Friends Dentists" on Wroxham Road possible solutions were discussed. PC Tupper is happy to receive photographic evidence if that can be obtained safely. Parking on double yellow lines can be reported to Civil Parking Enforcement the contact details are on Sprowston Town Council website. The parking attendant will attend if there are frequent occurrences. It was suggested by a councillor that the yellow lines outside Tescos should be removed as the road was wide enough for parked cars not to obstruct traffic.

PC Tupper reported that locking the car park on Church Lane had successfully reduced ASB in the area. However a resident had reported specific concerns in the Barkers Lane area to PC Tupper before the meeting.

PC Tupper explained that it was a ANPR camera on Wroxham Road

C Lincoln of SYEP said they have funding for Outreach and she would like to accompany PC Tupper to talk to young people in Sprowston.

Cllr Vincent reported that one of the barriers on St Faiths Road had been removed and cars were now travelling down to the NDR. Could PC Tupper visit until the barrier is replaced?

Crime statistics since the last meeting:-

Burglary of a dwelling 8
Burglary of other premises 6

Criminal damage 22 of which 6 are DV and 11 involved vehicles

Drug use (cannabis) 12 Theft of vehicle 22

Violence 113 57 DV) but recording has become more rigorous

for this crime category

5. Priorities for next quarter

- Parking outside all schools
- Speeding on Spixworth Road near Morrisons
- Using Smiley Sid to assess problem areas of speeding traffic

6. AOB

Residents raised the lack of advertising of the SNAP meetings especially in Sprowston. Advertising in "Just Sprowston" and "Sprowston Matters" to be investigated by the chair.

Residents asked if PC Tupper would be holding surgeries and/or having box in local supermarket where residents can post not urgent queries. PC Tupper said he would follow up these suggestions. PC Tupper was invited to join councillors in Sprowston library 10.30 to 11.30 on the last Saturday of the month.

7. The Chair thanked the public for attending.

Next meeting Gage Road Chapel, Sprowston. Date to be confirmed