

## Sprowston and Old Catton

### SNAP meeting minutes

The Pavilion, Old Catton

Date 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2018

#### Panel members present:

Chair Councillor Judy Leggett  
Cllr Bill Cousins, Sprowston Town Council  
Cllr Robin Tovell, Old Catton parish Council

#### Also present:

Ian Moncur District Councillor, Chair - Sprowston Town Council  
Karen Vincent, County and District Councillor for Old Catton  
Bob Fowkes, Sprowston Town Councillor  
Sergeant Angie Youd, PC Groom, PC Nick Roberts

#### 1. Apologies Councillor John Ward

The chair welcomed everyone to the meeting with 16 members of the public present

#### 2. Minutes of last meeting held 16<sup>th</sup> July 2018

These having been circulated were agreed as a true record

#### 3. Matters arising There were no matters arising from the minutes

#### 4. Police Update

Sgt Youd was invited to speak. Sgt Youd outlined the new working partnerships and the way police officers would be deployed in dealing with the policing of Old Catton and Sprowston. Officers relied on the public to report incidents that they are concerned about and to report repeat occurrences so that incidents can be recorded and patterns identified. Report using the web site <https://www.norfolk.police.uk/your-area/sprowston>

email [SNTsprowston@norfolk.pnn.police.uk](mailto:SNTsprowston@norfolk.pnn.police.uk) or phone 101

Sgt. Youd introduced PC Tucker, who was present but off duty, who will be replacing PC Nick Roberts.

## **5. Priorities for last quarter**

PC Roberts gave facts and figures regarding anti social behaviour. Several young people had been served notices regarding their behaviour in and around Barkers Lane. Taylors Lane was being monitored but part fell into city territory as well. Both Sgt Youd and PC Roberts are in close contact with the city officers. Incidents have happened on the city side of Taylors Lane near to the walk through.

Speeding had been monitored around Cannerby Lane and it was obvious that the worst cases occurred during term time. During school holidays nothing significant was recorded. Pioneer Road was also monitored but due to the shape of the road the police were quite visible and traffic was of no significant speed.

Since Church Lane car park is now locked at night there has been a very significant change and all is quiet

The new staffing levels would allow for two or three colleagues to help if needed for example to do more speed checks.

Under a new policy there are changes in relation to the varying speeds that drivers would be prosecuted eg 20mph to 26mph would be acceptable unless, due to circumstances, officers thought it more appropriate to give a ticket.

## **6. Public discussion**

Reference to lack of lighting at the entrance to the footpath leading from Taylors Lane into Dowding Road. The chair explained that due to the Lane not being adopted it was not the responsibility of Old Catton Parish Council although some years ago two lights were put up in Taylors Lane. Perhaps the Norwich City Council may help; there is also money to reduce incidents of crime.

A request was made for a pedestrian crossing at the lights at the Woodman. It was difficult to cross there especially with young children. Cllr Vincent said she would try and help with this request.

Reports of anti social behaviour at the far end of St. Faiths Road near the cemetery and possibly drugs. PC Roberts stated that this had been monitored and the airport patrol was also keeping an eye on the situation.

Parking is a problem around Merlin Avenue especially and speeding in Blithewood Gardens. PC Roberts advised the residents to take number plates and tell him and he would deal with this issue.

Lancaster Close was a dumping ground for canisters presumably coming over the fence from Catton Chase.

PC Roberts is in close contact with SYEP where the youth leader was encouraging the young people to be responsible for their actions and not be anti social. She was an inspiration and the police will keep in touch with her. .

## **7. Priorities for next quarter**

The pedestrian crossing will be dealt with by the County Councillor s

The problems at Merlin Avenue are part of normal policing

1. Regular monitoring of the Taylors Lane anti social behaviour
2. Speeding on St Faiths Road and the Sprowston east area.

The Chair thanked the public for attending.

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