

WANTAGE WEST
MINUTES OF NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTION GROUP MEETING
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 1st May 2013

Present

Tony Wilson (TW) Chair	John Wheeler (JW)	
Darren James (DJ)	Wendy Stimpson (WS)	Kerry Barnard (KB)
Tanya Dyer (TD) Deputy Chair	John Amys (JA)	
Sue Humphries (SJH)	Glyn Oliver (GO)	
Dorothy Hadcroft (DH)	Andrew Forsyth (AF)	
Jonathan Smith (JS)	Geoff Chown (GC)	

- 1. Apologies:** Zoe Patrick, Bernard Connolly, Roger Humphries, Barbara Williamson, Eddy Goldsmith, Jenny Hannaby and Ceri Walsh

- 2. Minutes of Last Meeting:** These were approved as a true record.

- 3. Matter Arising:**

It was confirmed the NFU had sponsored the NAG website.

- 4. NAG Priorities:**

The Chair felt that much had been done in respect of the current priorities and that the NAG should await the outcome of the next survey before setting new objectives. He stated that the NAG has changed. There is greater opportunity to respond to wider community concerns whilst still maintaining the closest possible association with Thames Valley Police. TVP said that to be successful we must have Police influence and a good chair. We are perceived to be a very good NAG.

- 5. Policing Priorities Report:**

Thames Valley Police reported that every crime will be attended. If a job is classed as high priority they will attend immediately. A member reported they were very pleased with the response to their recent crime.

Crime figures are down and there is relatively little problem in this area.

Rural crime continues to be the major issue and is been prioritized

The move to the new police base has been completed and, despite a few teething problems, is working well.

The question was raised as to why the old premises is still lit and it is not obvious where the new Front Desk is situated or how to contact the Police. The matter would be investigated

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- 6. Public Consultation 2013:**

The Chair thanked KA's for producing the questionnaires. They will be collected from KA's and distributed to the community. The survey will also be online via survey monkey. Survey to begin week commencing 13th May. Boxes to be collected 1st July

- 7. NAG Publicity- Website/Facebook:**

Launching website low key. Also linked into Wantage and Grove and will register with Wantage.com

Thames Valley alert slowly putting info on website. Survey to get more coverage.

8. Report from Youth Members:

Change of Youth representative to NAG was noted.
Sweat box lots of activity. An award given to the sweat box was filmed and broadcasted on the BBC. Beat box planning a trip to Thorpe park.
Approximately 100 attend each night. Tuesdays are the most popular.
Rock in the park 13th and 14th July. Will be carefully managed.
Sweat box to be liked into NAG website

9. NAG contributions to neighborhood updates:

Contributor agreed for August

10. Any other Business:

A witness reported a near accident involving a child.

11. Date of next meeting:

Wednesday June 12th 2013, 7pm Ka's