WANTAGE WEST MINUTES OF NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTION GROUP MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 11th September 2013

1. Minutes of Last Meeting: These were approved as a true record.

2. Matters Arising:

Action points from previous meeting:

Parking:

Parking at the Methodist Church in Grove.

General Parking County Council and District Council will not take up parking issues. One of the members will raise this at the next Traffic Advisory Meeting. It was noted that Witney In West Oxon District did operate a scheme, this would be followed up.

Should the NAG group raise this issue via its web site?

Several parking issues were commented on.

Speeding – Community speed checking schemes it was noted that we can train volunteers, minimum of six people, to man our own speeding. It was agreed, unanimously, not to bother at this point.

Speeding issue will be raised to local police.

Constitution of this NAG – will be reviewed at the following meeting.

3. Brief Introductions by Each Member

Everyone introduced themselves and what they represented in the Nag.

NAG Priorities:

Survey Top 3 concerns are

1. Speeding vehicles, 2. Litter and . 3. Burglary and Rowdy Youths.

4. Policing Priorities Report:

Now taking place 100 days of action for rural crime. Big event next week at Millets.

Now have Official Police CESAR scheme and datatag. Equipment thief must be stopped.

Now possible to tag bicycles- this needs to go our website.

Smart water very useful as stolen items easy to trace owner.

The Local Police now have NPR mobile kit (number plate recognition) reads and checks all info on vehicle.

Lots of activity in rural and other crimes. Police making lots of effort to make public aware of rural crime.

It was asked with new Police commissioner is there more police activity for rural crime

5. NAG Publicity- Website/Facebook:

It was agreed that the NAG should only carry positive items or information.

6. Report from Youth Members:

Lots of friends of sweatbox.

Promoting sweatbox to new year 7

Beatbox going well and will be visiting the Fire station and Jack and the beanstalk.

2014 fundraising: they will be having clothes show live again, sea fishing and Rock in the park Also to raise funds blues and beer evening and waffle- local food exhibition in civic hall.

7. NAG contributions to neighborhood updates:

This is ongoing..

8. Any other Business:

A case was reported where a national charity had called at peoples houses asking for their Bank details as a method of fund raising, this NAG felt that it should not support charity workers calling at door trying to get you to set up a regular payment. As people especially the vulnerable could feel pressured into giving such details. Further investigation with regard to the legal position of such activity. Members of the Public are urged not to give any bank details at the doorstep if they did not want to or if they could not verify the credentials of the caller. This NAG supports charitable giving – but is concerned about this new method of requesting as there are many associated risks with it.

Recycling areas now all gone. Fly tipping will now increase. This will be monitored and discussed at the next meeting. With the possibility of representation being made to the District Council and Local MP.

9. Date of next meeting:

Wednesday October 23rd 2013, 7pm

Venue; KA's training suite