

**Rural West Neighbourhood Action Group
Meeting of 6th January 2009**

Present:

Dorothy Courtman (Hanslope)
Sheila Mobley (Hanslope)
Anthony Mobley (Hanslope)
Rob Lawrence (MKC Safer Communities)
John Earp (Castlethorpe)
Philip Ayles (Castlethorpe)
John Sweetland (Castlethorpe)
Gavin Lancaster (Hanslope)
Andy Perry (Thames Valley Police)
Tina Lewington (Thames Valley Police)

Apologies:

Sonal Becconsall (Castlethorpe)
Eric Dodworth (Hanslope)

Meeting:

Dorothy Courtman opened the meeting which was held in her home, as the village hall had heating failure, and for which, the members were very grateful

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as read by all

Matters arising from the Minutes of 21/10/08

The white vans in Haversham are being generally regarded as “traffic calming” for all drivers using Haversham as a “rat run” as their obstruction caused reduction in speeds, and drivers do have the option of other routes. The case went to the CPS and there was no further action.

Dog Fouling

Patrols continue and 3 people were spoken to in Hanslope and advised, but no tickets were issued. Andy Perry issued those present with dog waste bags, more advisory stickers for lamp-posts, posters and information leaflets hoping that education will help with the problem. Waste bags to be distributed by each village in a manner that they see fit. Andy Perry will send information electronically to Philip Ayles.

Speeding

SID's were given to Andy Perry to study. Castlethorpe said that a traffic calming design has been approved by both MKC and CPC and was now in public consultation. As part of this, the 30 mph sign will be moved 100m along

Wolverton Road, Castlethorpe (i.e. away from the village and the Fox Covert Road area.

Castlethorpe would like to consider a 20 mph speed limits around the school. Andy Perry suggested CCTV could be used around the zigzag lines in the same way as it was used in the green park area of Newport Pagnell

Parking

Tickets have been issued (in Hanslope) whenever obstruction has been encountered, and will continue to be issued. Yellow lines are still being considered for the junction by the Watts Arms in Hanslope. Parking causing obstruction has also been noted, typically on Saturdays, between the junction of Forest Road and The Globe PH, Hanslope. This will be monitored by Tina Lewington (PCSO) during routine patrols.

Hanslope Issues

Builder's rubbish, as well as a fridge and some cabinets are being left on the pavement in Gold Street. The alley way at the side of the shop also has builders rubbish in it. Rob Lawrence will check if the land is adopted before actions are taken. When that is known, Tina Lewington (PCSO) can monitor the situation during routine patrols.

EVA's

It was suggested and agreed that they are reviewed after 3 months and re-done after 6 months.

Police Report

Crime figures were reported for the period 17th October, 2008 to 6th January 2009.

AOB

The three priorities of the NAG: speeding, parking and dog fouling is under control, so it was suggested that the NAG move on to 3 "new" priorities. As Gavin Lancaster had mentioned vandalism, this will become one of the issues, two others to be suggested by the group. The previous 3 priorities will be re-visited whenever necessary.

Meeting closed at 9.35pm

Next Meeting at Castlethorpe Village Hall on Thursday 5th March 2009, at 7.30pm