

Wed 1st May St Margaret's Church Hall

The meeting was opened by the Vice Chairman Jim Clancy. Approximately 40 people including residents, police, councillors and service providers were in attendance at the meeting.

Apologies: Cllr's Pringle, Brown & Winlow. Leslie Marshall – P4P.

Update on the Cottam Brickworks Development by Ian Rankin – Chair of Cottam Hall Properties and John Turner – MD John Turner Construction Group.

Site clearance and the development of the Nature Reserve are currently underway. Details plans have been granted for the Nature Reserve, Supermarket and the Marina. Outline plans have been granted for housing and Office developments. Plans and layouts were presented to the meeting for observation and comments. First phase after the Nature Reserve, will be the roadways and installation of services such as gas, electric, water and waste facilities. Some of the many questions raised are noted below.

Q. When will the Supermarket be completed?

A. It is planned for completion by 2014. It will be smaller than originally planned as the economic climate has started to bite with Tesco.

Q. How will we access the Nature Reserve?

A. The Nature Reserve is not a park. It is planned to be a controlled access area for research and preservation of the wildlife, predominantly the Great Crested Newts. Local schools and the University will be the main beneficiaries.

Q. Which house developers are you in talks with?

A. Redrow, Miller Homes, Barrett and Rowland Homes.

Police Update: Given by CBM Andy Counce: A black Carerra Subway pedal bike worth £350 was stolen from the front of an address o Barry Avenue. It was padlocked, but still stolen.

A sneak in burglary has taken place at the elderly residential complex of Ashbourne Crescent. Whilst the occupant was outside pegging out washing, somebody sneaked in through her unlocked front door. £200 was stolen from under her bed. The dedicated burglary team are investigating this.

A local prolific shoplifter has been arrested and charged in relation to a £90 theft of cheese and sausages from the NISA store at Tanterton.

A mountain bike has been stolen during the afternoon from an insecure shed of a property on Cottam Hall Lane. No further enquiries available.

A brick was thrown through a window on Crosby Place. The offender was arrested nearby, interviewed and charged with criminal damage.

A mobile phone was stolen from the pocket of a female at Intact whilst attending an art class. No evidence to pursue the crime.

Damage has been caused to Holy Family Primary School. The offenders have climbed onto the roof and smashed the skylights and caused other damage up there. Please, could people keep an eye out for kids on the roof of both schools and ring the police if anyone is up there Tel: 101 or 203203.

An industrial bin was also set on fire belonging to Holy Family School. CCTV from the Labour club was checked but doesn't cover the area. The same happened to a bin belonging to Intact.

The John O'Gaunt pub has had a week's takings stolen whilst open for business. Somebody has sneaked upstairs and taken a quantity of cash from the premises. No forensic opportunities available.

Creswell Avenue has had a burglary. The offender has entered the rear of the property by smashing a window during daylight hours. A TV, playstation and an Ipad was stolen. Unknown offenders.

A car on Worthing Road was damaged via scratching the paintwork. A male was arrested for this offence, but unfortunately released with no charges due to insufficient evidence.

A "Triax" racing bike was stolen from the insecure garage on Barry Avenue. CSI attended, but no forensic opportunities available.

A blue van with "DREAMS" on the side of it has been on the area trying to sell mattresses. The male on board has targeted an elderly female on Ashbourne Crescent and persuaded her to buy an ill fitting mattress and refused to refund nor issue a receipt to her. Best advice is never to buy from doorstep sellers.

An assault occurred at the Ingol Library on a 50 year old male. A local 15 year old male was interviewed after local Police recognised him from CCTV. He has received a caution for throwing a chair and causing a slight cut to the hand of the aggrieved.

Q. Was the crime figures spike last month due to the School Holidays?

A. No, this was all through the month. We are putting the spike down to the good weather.

Q. An elderly lady from Mayfield Avenue had one of her dogs attacked by two dogs not on leads. The two dogs were put down by the Police. The elderly lady took her dog to vets who tried to save the dog. Unfortunately, the injuries were too extensive. The elderly lady was left with a £700 bill. The owner of the two dogs promised to pay the bill, but nothing has been paid.

A. This will be followed up after the meeting – Post Script. The outstanding bill has now been paid.

A. With Preston's dog warden budget being cut by £20k, the likelihood of posters etc being available to outline responsibilities of dog owners and the possible fines will be limited.

A. There has been a long standing problem with dog wardens, with there being only two for the whole of Preston. A dog chipping programme is planned for June.

Matters arriving from previous minutes:

1. **Cottam Lane:** Canal bridge dog bin. No further news from the Canals and Rivers Trust.
2. **Parking at Ingol Club:** Parking problems have decreased, but some users of the club are now parking in Hargreaves Court. The good news, is that more people are using the car park at the rear of the club. The best prevention is the issuing of parking fines. Police response is to educate first then fines.
3. **Tanterton Playing Field:** At the last meeting, the plans were put in place for the whole of the playing field to be drained. The monies should be available for work to be completed by the end of this year.
4. **Litter – Cigarette Butts:** Both the Co-op store on Grantham Walk and the John O'Gaunt pub have been spoken to, but with no improvement.
5. **Planning Applications:** Planning applications (over 600 houses) for CEG on Sidgreaves Lane, Redrow Homes on Lightfoot Lane and Hollins Statagic Land off Eastway have all been refused by Preston Councils planning committee. The applications were rejected as the developments would create excess traffic on an already congested road system. Lancashire County Council Traffic Masterplan now concluded. Preston's masterplan will be out for consultation soon. The developer will have to "buy-in" and act within the masterplans for development to be accepted. Both LCC and PCC are giving out the same consistent message.

Community Tasking/Information:

- INTACT;
 - Computer training courses are currently ongoing and are looking at extending the service to other venues.
 - Other courses including carpentry, art, social media etc are also on offer.
 - More can be found on their web site.
- Gateway;
 - Only 11 reported incidents for April this year which is very quiet compared to last year.
- Healthy Streets: 8 children's bicycles have been purchased and donated to the Ingol & Tanterton. Four will be kept at Ingol Primary School and the other four at Pool House School. The bicycles will be available for children to practice and take their cycling proficiency tests. Courses for cycle maintenance and walk leadership will be available soon. More information can be obtained from their stall at the Summer Fate on 22nd June.
- Nisa store: A working party from the Neighbourhood Council are in contact with all parties with the aim of upgrading the area outside of the shops and community centre. Nisa are currently not assisting, but the working party will not give in easily.
- Tanterton Community Centre: Signposts, the operator for the past few years have been liquidation due to a shortage of funds. The centre will officially close on 16th May. A working group from the Tanterton community are looking at ways to keep the centre open. More news will be available at the next Pact meeting.
- Pool House School to be visited by the Police and Places for People in a joint visit in response to the Anti Social Behaviour of children in the Sylvancroft, Thistlecroft, Threefields and Tag Croft areas.
- The No 44 buses through the Ingol Estate are regularly speeding in the 20MPH zones. Can a letter from Pact be sent to the bus operators?
- Concerns were raised for the safety of PCSO Jackie Fulham operating as sole respondent in the Ingol and Tanterton areas. Letter to be sent to the Police Inspector.
- It was commented that more litter bins are required on Tanterton Hall Road to try and reduce the amount of litter along this road.
- Street signs at Dukes Meadow and Dovedale are either missing or broken.
- It was reported that the previously postponed public meeting with the Police Crime Commissioner for Lancashire has been confirmed for 5th June at St Margaret's Church.

The Policing priorities were set as:

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| • Ingol Library | - | Anti-Social Behaviour |
| • Tanterton Shops and Community Centre | - | Anti-Social Behaviour |
| • Ingol & Tanterton | - | Speeding |

Date & Place of next PACT meeting

June 5th at Tanterton Christian Centre at 6.00pm