

Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> July St Margaret's Church Hall

The meeting was opened by the Vice Chairman Jim Clancy. Approximately 30 people including residents, police, councillors and service providers were in attendance at the meeting.

**Apologies:** Cllr's, Winlow & Shannon & PCSO Fulham.

**Benefit Changes:** "Changes are Coming" booklet about the changes to benefit payments distributed to the meeting. Advisors regarding the changes will be at the next to PACT meetings. Information on Alzheimer's Disease or other dementias also distributed.

**Police Update:** Given by CBM Andy Counce:

A joint Police operation has been carried out between members of Lea Police and the Department of Works and Pensions in relation to improper benefit claimants on the Ingol area. Numerous people have been interviewed in relation to these offences (mainly claiming benefits whilst partner living at address). There are more warrants to do on the area.

On 3rd July 2012 three offenders, one armed with a loaded gun, visited a first floor flat on Tag Lane Ingol intending to rob the resident. Having failed to get in through the door, one offender climbed up onto a flat-roof and fired a shot through the living room window which narrowly missed aggrieved and his partner. Through a detailed and prolonged investigation the offenders were identified as Kyle Garth, John Abela and Ashley O'Neill. Following a two-week trial that took place in April 2013 they were all convicted of attempted robbery and possession of a firearm. Today they have been sentenced at Preston Crown Court; Garth who fired the weapon received 7 years, Abela 6 years 9 months and O'Neill 10 year's imprisonment. This is a clear message to those who take part in Organised Crime involving firearms within the Division

A couple of damages have taken place on the school roof of Holy Family School. Damage to skylights etc. Unfortunately these are reported in the morning after the event. There is no CCTV covering this area, so unfortunately no offenders have been caught. Please ring the Police if anyone is seen on the roof of either school.

Car damaged to a repeat victim on Bexhill Road. There is CCTV covering the offence although not great quality however an offender is in mind and due to be interviewed this week.

Damage caused to a house window on Dukes Meadow. Small rock thrown at dining room window, which broke the outer pane. No witnesses and negative on house to house.

The problematic 13 year old from Tanterton, stole their mothers I Pad and sold it on Preston market. Arrested and admitted offence. Due to problems on area and thefts committed at home address. He has now moved from the area to Grange Childrens Home for at least 12 weeks whilst they try and manage his behaviour before trying to re-integrate him back home. Theft of bricks due for a conservatory were stolen from Tag Croft overnight. A local male's name has been put forward for this crime and the Officer in Charge will be arresting and interviewing the alleged offender.

Tulketh High School had several windows broken by a group of males, who ran away from the scene.

A handbag containing an I Pad2, £60 cash and a bus pass was stolen from a female on Pool House Lane after she had just been to the dentists. Handbag later recovered and is currently being forensically examined.

On Eastbourne Close, a VW Golf had its window smashed and stereo stolen from within. House to house enquiries and CCTV enquiries were negative and no forensics found.

3 males on motorbikes stopped on Walker Lane/Ingol Golf Course area after numerous reports from residents about noisy bikes in the area. All 3 riders have been given Section 59 warnings to stay away from the area otherwise their bikes will be seized.

There have been 4 cars broken into and items stolen from Granton Walk area, Tag Lane and Dukes Meadow in the early hours. Thankfully the offender was disturbed and after a foot chase over Ingol Golf Course the offender was caught in possession of numerous items. He is a local male and has been charged with all 14 offences. We are liaising with Community Gateway Association to get the male evicted from the area as he has a drug habit spiralling out of control.

18 crimes were reported this month compared to 30 crimes reported this month last year.

**Q.** What about the buyer of the iPad2?

**A.** An address in Friargate was searched under a warrant, but nothing was found.

**Q.** Holy Family School, why is there no fencing such as at Pool House School?

**A.** There were several answers offered from the cost of installing fencing to the Head Teacher wanting an "open friendly approach".

**Q.** What are the frequencies and occurrences of these incidents?

**A.** Early evening and many times. Names have been given and visited.

Neighbourhood Watch Liaison Officer Stuart Greenhalgh informed the meeting that he is looking for Co-ordinators for Neighbourhood Watch schemes in the area. Stuart is looking to re-introduce/regenerate neighbourhood watch with the aim of regeneration of community engagement through the neighbourhood watch co-ordinators. Information on local crime, scams etc can be passed out from the police thro the N/W system.

### **Matters arriving from previous minutes:**

1. **Cottam Lane:** Canal bridge dog bin. No further news from the Canals and Rivers Trust. PACT looking at trying to get permission for Community Payback to carry out the works.

**POST SCRIPT:** The day after the meeting, it was reported that the bin had been re-sited by the Canals and Rivers Trust.

2. **Tanterton Playing Field:** Ongoing, no updates available.

3. **Litter – Cigarette Butts:** On 15<sup>th</sup> July, operation "Clean Slate", a week-long event, will be conducted targeting several problem grot spots in the area. Several agencies will be involved, including the fire brigade who working with the housing associations will be fitting smoke alarms etc.

4. **Tanterton Community Centre:** An action group made up of local people has been formed to try and keep the centre open. Preston council have conducted a consultation into what the local community want from the centre. PCC has put out a tendering process to run the centre, which the action group has responded to with their own bid.

**Q.** Why don't PCC pay for the running of the centre? It also looks run down.

**A.** If the funding was available from PCC, they would running the centre. A good steering group like the action group would be welcome to fill the centre with activities for all.

**A.** The Neighbourhood Council are working to upgrade the area around the community centre.

**Q.** There were many events held at the community centre several years ago. It would be good to get back to those days.

**A.** Hopefully if the action group are chosen to run the centre we will be able to fill the centre with activities for all. Through PACT, the Falkland Heroes site is now being kept tidy through co-operation with the Health Centre.

**Q.** Through the "Community Right to Bid", the Neighbourhood Council could nominate the land to bid and buy the land if the community would want the NC to do so.

### **Community Tasking/Information:**

- INTACT;
  - Whats On leaflet distributed.

- Thanks for residents attendance at the Summer Festival was given, which raised over £280 for the summer festival group. Figures for the other stall holders not currently known.
- Gateway;
  - Only 6 reported incidents for June this year compared to 18 for June last year.
- What is happening with the Brickworks?
- Construction of the Nature Reserve is ongoing. Tesco have committed themselves to a supermarket, but smaller than was originally planned. The infrastructure will be installed first before any development can take place.
- Public Consultation to be held at Ingol Golf Course on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July and Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July covering the North West Preston Masterplan. The plan is to build 4500 houses in the NW Preston area. This is your opportunity to have your say in how what the development of this area should include.

**The Policing priorities were set as:**

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| ● | <b>Tanterton Shops and Community Centre</b> | - | <b>Anti-Social Behaviour</b> |
| ● | <b>Ingol &amp; Tanterton</b>                | - | <b>Speeding</b>              |
| ● | <b>Ingol Schools</b>                        | - | <b>Anti-Social Behaviour</b> |
| ● | <b>Ingo Golf Course</b>                     | - | <b>Motor bikes</b>           |

**Date & Place of next PACT meeting**

**August 7<sup>th</sup> Tanterton Christian Centre at 6.00pm**