

Wed 3rd October at Tanterton Community Centre

The meeting was opened by the Vice Chairman Jim Clancy. Approximately 28 people including residents, police, councillors and service providers were in attendance at the meeting.

Apologies: Cllr B Shannon. J. Thompson, B. Ellison & A. Brookes

Police Update.

Some strips of lead have been stolen from Ingol Methodist Church roof, house to house was done came back negative and no CCTV.

A dispute between neighbours has taken place on Creswell Avenue resulting in damage being caused to the aggrieved car. The offender was interviewed and charged with criminal damage; the same male was also arrested and charged with a public order offence towards aggrieved. Mediation (RJ) between 2 parties is currently being discussed.

Damage was caused to a front door lock by super gluing on Three Fields. It was strongly suspected to be a neighbour dispute but no evidence to progress any further

Damage was caused to INTACT community centre where entry was made into the greenhouse and tomato plants and other growing vegetables were damaged and destroyed. Damage has also been caused to the vent on the outside of the kitchen wall. No lines of enquiry. These events happened over a 3 day period.

A burglary has occurred at an address on golf view; four males in balaclavas forced an entry into the property and threatened the occupant wanting money. The occupant was struck by an iron bar but fortunately, the victims' injuries turned out to be bruising luckily! A dell laptop and a watch were stolen. The helicopter and numerous patrols attended but the offenders had already left the scene and made off in an unknown vehicle. There were numerous fingerprints and footwear impressions taken, but the Police are yet to ID the offenders.

An offender approached a padlocked shed in the rear garden of an address on three fields. The padlock had been cut and a McAllister grinder and router along with a drill, drill bits and numerous other tools stolen. House to house enquires done but nothing seen.

Another dog bite has taken place outside the shops on Tanterton. A brown and white staffy dog with no lead has bitten a woman on her leg when leaving the shop. No serious injury was caused. Female unwilling to co-operate thus far. Numerous addresses have been checked to ID the dog as the incident was captured on CCTV. One address remains to be checked but no reply as of yet. Dog wardens are fully aware of the incident and are looking out for the dog. We have put posters up in the community centre and NISA ref loose dogs outside the shops.

Two adult male and one adult female mountain bikes have been stolen from the rear of an insecure shed of Hillcrest Avenue. No follow up enquires available.

Section 59 warnings have been issued to three youths from Ingol and Ashton for riding motorbikes on Ingol golf course. A resident had taken photos of the youths which enabled the Police to ID them. The warning is recorded on their police record. If they are seen again, their bikes will be seized and disposed of. Complaints about the golf course have dropped off now the weather is worsening.

Community kids policing programme has started being delivered again at Ingol primary school. Years 5 and 6 have had a positive response.

Safer cycling is due to start this week at Holy Family School.

In the past year crime has risen from 221 – 224. Car crime has also increased from 11- 28. On the upside there is a 20% decrease in robberies.

Q. When you say vehicle crime, is that stealing cars or breaking in and stealing objects within the vehicle? And what percentage of cars is in fact secure?

A. Unfortunately I do not have the answer to this question.

Q. Is anything going to be done about the shops?

A. On-going investigation, many things have been put into place aimed at the shops, the situations that have arose could in fact happen outside any shops in any area. It just so happens that we are having a lot of trouble within our area. CCTV is now in place, and a PECAN meeting is taking place on Friday nights. The main thing to consider is the shop needs to be on board with the new arrangements.

There has been a change within the agenda aimed at the anti-social behaviour; the agenda has added dogs to the anti-social behaviour section.

Q. What time did the dog bite take place?

A. 6.30pm.

Q. Have any incidents happened within school hours?

A. Not at present.

The changes being made are;

Trying to get better lighting outside the shops

Better partnership with the community and police.

Q. As there is possible drug dealing is there any other cameras that the police could use?

A. To get funding for new cameras the situation around the shop has to become worse and a lot of paperwork would need to be completed along with.

Q. Is the lighting outside shops sufficient?

A. We will try to get light meter testing taken by the relevant authority to check if it meets current requirements.

Matters arriving from previous minutes:

- 1. Cottam Lane:** Canal bridge area. Cllr Winlow is trying to make contact with the new Canals and Rivers Trust who have taken over from the disbanded British Waterways with regards the dog bin which requires relocation to the other side of the bridge and closer to the access point onto the lane/towpath
- 2. Land at Tanterton Hall Road/Footpath to Mayfield Avenue:** Places for People have talked to their landscaping department and have cut back the undergrowth.
- 3. Junction of Tag Lane/Village Green Lane:** The owners of the land have been sent a friendly letter to clear away the overgrown area. This action is needed to give clear passage on the pavement areas for pedestrians. Currently waiting replies.
- 4. Ingol Social Club:** There is no licensing law that covers parking, which means there is no breach of the law. The idea of cones was squashed as the police believe cones will not make much difference to the problems. Possible double yellow lines in future. The owner didn't believe the land was in fact theirs so after two letters they are now aware and hopefully action will be taken.
- 5. Ingol & Tanterton AGM:** The meeting was notified of the AGM due in November. Nominations for the committee to be passed to the Secretary no later than 2 weeks prior to the November meeting.

Community Tasking/Information:

Q. Tanterton Hall Rd – Speeding: Cllr Winlow will look into getting use of a Smiley Face device, the local Police team are to check on the whereabouts of the one purchased under Neighbourhood Management, suspected as now being faulty.

The police have not recently received any complaints or reports of speeding on this road and have not witnessed it first-hand either.

The speed limit on Tanterton Hall Rd is remaining at 30mph but all roads leading off it are going to be reduced to 20mph from the 8th of October. This was introduced by Lancashire County Council and the Police enforce the new limits.

Q. Ingol Golf Club: Is it going to re-open?

A. The lease for the course is up for sale and negotiations with a local company are ongoing, so the chances are high.

Q. Bargain Booze: Parking on the Zig Zag lines outside Bargain Booze seems to be on increase.

A. A meeting with Pact, County, City, Neighbourhood Councillors and the Police is to be arranged to discuss how we can reduce the problems of parking infringements on the crossing.

Community Gateway: Vicky Ingham reported that in general everything seems okay.

INTACT: Leaflets were distributed advertising the older people's day, round two of ESF and that the new English and Spanish lessons play schemes are starting soon.

Fire Services Presentation.

The Fire Service came to give a talk regarding fire safety and free home fire alarm tests and fittings. This talk was run by Steve Mountain, he has been in the service for 24 years, with 13 of these years based within Fulwood.

The number of fires has decreased since Steve began working in Fulwood.

Advice was given regarding rubbish fires and accidental fires within the home and leaflets were distributed to the meeting.

What is worrying, is that there has been an increase in road traffic collisions, with five being reported the last two weeks.

Q. One of the neighbours always has fires on bonfire night is there any need to report them?

A. The main thing to consider on bonfire night and prior to that, is good communication between neighbours as you need to be considerate of each other.

Q. Do you recommend taking mobile phones upstairs to bed?

A. Good idea, just in case there is a fire and the landline is deactivated due to a cut in power. Also keep doors shut to slow down any fire and smoke.

Following a long but informative meeting, the Policing priorities were set as:

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| • Tanterton Shops and Community Centre | - | Anti-Social Behaviour |
| • Tanterton Hall Road | - | Speeding |
| • Ingol Golf Course | - | Motorbike Nuisance |

Date & Place of next PACT meeting

November 7th St Margaret's Church Hall - 6.00pm