

Wed 3rd September St Margaret's Church Hall

The meeting was opened by the deputy Chairman Alan Brookes. Approximately 30 people including residents, police, councillors and service providers were in attendance at the meeting.

Apologies: PCSO Jules Parker, Tom Anderson, Liz Soole.

Police Update: Given by: CBM Andy Counce.

A burglary has been attempted in the early hours to a property on Cottam Avenue. The offender has prised open a double glazed downstairs bay window which caused damage to the window unit. Luckily the window would not open enough for the offender to squeeze through so nothing was actually stolen. No CCTV available and house to house enquiries negative. Due to rain there were no forensic opportunities either

An unknown offender during hours of daylight has approached the wooden perimeter fence of vicarage on St Margarets Close and has kicked a wooden 6` fence panel causing damage to same before making off from the scene. Call rung in by the Reverend Ness Starkey

The outer pane of a sliding patio door was smashed on Ashbourne Crescent late evening. It appears stones have been thrown at it. The aggrieved was away on holiday at the time of the offence, and reported it on his return

A Landrover Freelander on Oaktree Close which was left unlocked overnight had an iphone and charger stolen from it. No known offenders or witnesses for this

Late at night the front window of an address on Dovedale Ave was smashed. There was a group heard outside the address minutes earlier so presumably they threw the item. Unfortunately the occupant never rang police to report it until the following day, so at present no offenders.

An assault has taken place involving a taxi driver who dropped a group off, who were then unhappy about the fare. Enquiries are underway at a local garage which may have cameras covering the incident.

The front window of an address was smashed in the early hours on Mayfield Avenue. No known offenders. Again the caller only reported the incident much later, so no area search carried.

A low level assault has occurred on Village Green Lane regarding a group of school age teenagers. This has been an ongoing bullying type incident. All members of the group have been spoken to by police with parents and since appear to have resolved their issues.

A yellow Peugeot scooter worth £500 was stolen from outside an address on Margate Rd whilst the aggrieved was on holiday. House to house and CCTV enquiries were negative. A stolen marker has been put on the vehicle but not yet recovered

A 15 year old male from the area has been approached on Tom Benson Way by 3 youths who have stolen his bag which contained an iphone. All 3 youths had covered faces and made off towards the Savick estates. Due to the covered faces and no other witnesses, currently no further lines of enquiry.

Another assault has taken place involving a taxi driver who dropped a female off in the Creswell Ave area. A male has come out of an address and punched the taxi driver for an unknown reason. The driver has since identified the address and a statement has been taken with the offender awaiting being dealt with

A car on Threefields has had its tyre punctured in the early hours. The owners are Polish and are repeat victims who have had problems with neighbours. They are suspected however there is no evidence. Both Places for People and the neighbourhood team are involved in trying to resolve these issues.

A grey Libra 125cc motorbike was stolen from New Rough Hey, by the offenders pushing it away from outside the home address to outside the cul de sac. The motorbike was recovered abandoned nearby, and two males arrested near to the scene. These males were from out of the Ingol/Tanterton area and they have been interviewed and released on bail until mid September.

On Dunbar Road the front door of an address was damaged by somebody scribing offensive words on the front with a sharp item. An offender has been identified and has been dealt with for the offence, detecting the crime

160 incidents this month this year compared to 200 incidents this month last year
24 crimes this month this year compared to 31 crimes this month last year

- Q.** Unlocked vehicles, if the owner reports this to the Police, what is the consequences?
- A.** The Police will respond to the insurance company, that technically the vehicle was not broken into as no forced entry was used.
- Q.** Speeding is a regular problem, any update on anti speeding activities?
- A.** It has been arranged that funding to repair the portable SPiD will be made available from the Healthy Streets initiative.

Matters arriving from previous minutes:

- 1. Tanterton Playing Field:** The project to drain the playing fields was signed off as complete on 28th August 2014. The pitch may be fit to play on in October, depending on the weather and finishing works from PCC. The wet spot at Pool House Lane corner has been specially treated to prevent flooding.
- 2. Sylvancroft Pavement:** Cllr Winlow and Lesley Marshall have visited the area along with Paul Dunn from LCC Highways. The footpath between numbers 109 – 116 are to be resurfaced. The fault was reported to be between 118 – 120 Sylvancroft. The area will be revisited after the summer holidays and Places for People will also re-check the area.
- 3. Ingol Golf Course:** Rowland Homes, a house builder, has submitted plans to build up to 164 houses on the Northern section of the golf course surrounding The Avenue and at the back of New Rough Hey, with the access coming off Tanterton Hall Road by the pond between The Avenue and Sheraton Park. Issues of security by the proposed interlinking footpaths between the estates are causing concern.

Q. What is the housing provision?

A. 30% affordable homes and no provision for the elderly ie bungalows.

Q. What is the current planning status?

A. The planning application is premature considering the area requested for building is inside the Area of Major Open Space which is part of the Local Plan going before the Planning Inspectorate's public inquiry planned to start at the end of October.

Q. Can PACT object on our behalf?

A. PACT can, but would need the support of the meeting. A unanimous vote to object to the planning application was recorded.

Community Tasking/Information:

- Q.** Tulketh High School – LCC have been contacted and there could be good possibility that extra care housing could be constructed on the site following demolition of the main school building. This land is proposed for housing in the Local Plan.
- Q.** Planning application put in for a bungalow on Tag Lane to demolished?
- A.** The application will be dealt with under delegated powers by PCC. I&TNC have put in objections regarding access, overdevelopment, lack of refuse bin and cycle storage provision.
- Q.** Any information regarding the planning application for the Eastway Retail Hub, which would have a detrimental effect on the Cottam Brickworks Development, if approved.
- A.** The application is still under review, but is contrary to the emerging Local Plan.
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- Q.** A resident informed the meeting that they had reported to the police a man loitering with an extension ladder and appeared to be either waiting for someone or loitering with intent.
- A.** CBM Andy Counce responded that he had not been informed but will look into it. He also asked if they had a log number, they didn't, to check against. Always ask for a log number.
- Q.** A resident addressed the meeting regarding his objection to a petition being produced for street lighting on the footpath behind Dunoon Close, as he is worried it will create a congregation point for local youths.
- A.** No one has approached LCC, who are responsible for street lighting and it is highly unlikely that the lighting will be commissioned due to the current financial constraints on LCC.
- A.** No proposal has been presented to I&TNC either. As street lighting is covered by LCC, I&TNC could do nothing other than report the residents' concerns to LCC.

INTACT. A report was given covering the adult course currently available, including Learn Share, Grow. A "What's on Leaflet" is available online.

Tanterton Village Centre is also open for business. Check our facebook page for activities.

The PACT Secretary announced the date of the Annual General Meeting and also called for nominations for election at the forthcoming AGM planned for Wednesday 5th November, the night of the November PACT meeting.

The Policing priorities were set as:

- **Ingol & Tanterton** - **Speeding**
- **Top of Whitby Avenue & Ingol Golf Club** - **Motor bikes**
- **Tanterton Shops** - **Anti Social Behaviour**

Date & Place of next PACT meeting

October 1st at Tanterton Christian Fellowship. Starts at 6.00pm