

Ipswich Area Network Forum (IANF) 30.10.2017

Attending: Martin Shaw, North East
Paul Barritt, St. Margaret's/Westgate/Alexandra
Gavin Pond, Rushmere & Kesgrave
Tony Spall, Chair, SNWA
Anthea Boast, Safer Communities Officer, Suffolk Police

Apologies: Jim Hubbard, South West
Tony Rivett, South West
Marion Ransby, North West

Matters/actions from last meeting

- TS has spoken with Alan Osborne, Community Safety Manager requesting clarification around SNT Policing boundaries- awaiting response.
- www.ipswichnw.co.uk – TS has added the IANF meeting notes. **TS asked that you all visit the site, check for any required changes & let him know.** This is your local forum, please use it.
- TS has tasked George Dix to contact JC re potential Kesgrave Network.

IANF Constitution

MS asked for clarification, under the AGM heading, bullet point 3 – Any member can attend the AGM. TS signed new constitution & MS signed as witness. This will also be put on www.ipswichnw.co.uk

SNWA update

- ✚ Three sector meetings have been arranged Southern area – Wednesday 8th November
Western area – Monday 13th November & Eastern area – Thursday 16th November.
The theme for these events is cyber-crime & Trading Standards-fraud/scams.
- ✚ National NW are not giving any directive with regards to data handling, therefore TS is none the wiser at present.
- ✚ TS has updated the SNWA web site www.suffolknwa.co.uk for SNT areas. If you click on 'your area' you are get information appropriate to your area. The monthly newsletter is also on this site.
- ✚ George Dix to make contact with TR in relation to the future of the South West Network.

Individual Network updates

St. Margaret's/Westgate

- ✚ As a result of graffiti in area David O has had a lot of contact with the Council to clarify who has responsibility for cleaning BT/Virgin boxes. The companies themselves have responsibility. IBC will now chase up these Companies. IBC has the authority to clean & bill Companies if they do not complete work themselves. Clarification on reporting graffiti (1) Phone cleaner Ipswich Hotline 433000 (2) IBC web site use 'report it' link. (3) send e-mail to IBC with photos.
- ✚ TS added that on www.ipswichnw.co.uk under 'did you know' there are details of 'fix my street' where such things can also be reported.
- ✚ PB attended Central Area Committee where the Police have a slot. However the Police were under a lot of pressure from residents asking questions about litter, lack of Police on streets & drug issues. TS suggested putting the onus back on the residents suggesting they set up a Neighbourhood Watch Scheme.

Alexandra

- ✚ In future Alexandra Schemes will be invited to attend the St. Margaret's Network meetings as observers.

South West

- ✚ George Dix will make direct contact with TR.

North West

- ✚ Attendance still low.

North East

- ✚ May consider guest speakers to encourage attendance.
- ✚ Additional double yellow lines on the Australian Estate & Digby Road in relation to hospital/school parking have now been installed on junctions.
- ✚ Local residents on Australian Estate met with Cllr Sandy Martin, who is going to raise the parking issues directly with the hospital.
- ✚ Network to look into to occasionally having joint meetings with South East. Will speak directly with Terry Pellowe.
- ✚ MS asked if personal alarms were still available through the Police. Ipswich no longer has a Crime Reduction Panel therefore members will have to purchase these themselves on-line.
- ✚ John R, Westbury Road Co-ordinator asked about 'Next door' as he received a letter of invite to join. TS advised that this was a generic social media communication tool, not specific to Neighbourhood Watch, for which there had been mixed reviews from the public on how the app handled personal data.
- ✚ A question was raised around foil bank card wallets. TS confirmed that 'OWL' are a recognised NW organisation who offer these for sale and details of this were in the last SNWA newsletter.

South East

- ✚ No update.

Kesgrave & Rushmere

- ✚ Last meeting cancelled but funded PCSO always gives a progress report for each meeting.
- ✚ Current issues on Kesgrave – PCSO has issued CBO's, the Nursery to install barrier to carpark to prevent ASB parking/driving.
- ✚ The profile of Neighbourhood Watch has been highlighted in the area.

AOB

- ✚ AB asked TS if details of newly launched Scheme could be shared with herself to enable notification of local crime. TS advised that in theory it would be ok but only one official launched in Felixstowe.
- ✚ AB asked TS if new Schemes were advised to join Police Connect and could it be made a condition of setting up a Scheme?

NB. Actions in red

Dates for 2018 IANF meetings – please put in your diary to avoid disappointment 😊

Mon 29th January, Mon 30th April, Mon 30th July & Mon 29th Oct.