

Ipswich Area Network Forum 24.04.2017

Attending: Martin Shaw & John Ellis, North East
Terry Pellowe, South East
Geoff Allison, North West
Tony Rivett, South West
Paul Barritt, St. Margaret's/Westgate
Gavin Pond, Rushmere
Jane Cody, Michigan Close, Kesgrave
Tony Spall, Chair, SNWA
Anthea Boast, Safer Communities Officer, Suffolk Police
Tony Spall received apologies from two Schemes in Kesgrave

- New members to IANF welcomed and purpose of group explained by TS.
- Kesgrave & Rushmere Parish Councils fully fund a PCSO for their area (attends occasional evening meeting)
- Reminder for all Schemes/members to register with Police Connect.
- Question around registering Schemes with NNHW-TS advised the database has several pitfalls.
- NW in some areas have been successful in getting Sgt's/Insp's to attend meetings.
- IANF will remain named as is for now.
- Need to amend Constitution - TS will look at NNHW template constitution & make suitable amendments & send out to Network Chairs for comments.
- All agreed that TS should remain as Chair of IANF.
- **All Network Chairs to ask at next Network meeting if members are happy for Network Chair to represent them at IANF meetings?**
- JC asked if she could have contact details of other Kesgrave Schemes-TS Yes, with their permission.
- JC asked if Kesgrave Schemes could join with the Rushmere Network-GP will ask at next meeting.
- Clarity sought over which roads within Kesgrave & Rushmere are covered by Ipswich East SNT.

Individual Network updates

St. Margaret's/Westgate

- ✚ They had invited the Central SNT Sergeants to their meeting but were told that due to operational demands this was not possible.
- ✚ Change of existing Co-ordinators, to complete form held by Network Chair.
- ✚ Procedure for new NW enquiries – go to www.suffolknwa.co.uk using 'join us' tab.
- ✚ Are prospective Co-ordinators vetted by SNWA?-No, this is for the discretion of each Network Co-ordinator.
- ✚ Many Schemes produce newsletters, who should receive them now? – Network Co-ordinators and SNWA-however SNWA will use any good news articles on their web site.

Alexandra

- ✚ Currently no Network Chair/Co-ordinator. SNWA to contact all Schemes with view to identify a volunteer for this position.

South West

- ✚ Local Councillors invited to meetings.
- ✚ Concern around rise in Cybercrime with the elderly. Could advice leaflet be available?
- ✚ Baby Jesus stolen!!!

TS has supplied details of Charity which offer free lessons to the elderly, as below ...
Age UK Suffolk <https://www.lxpert.com/freecomputeradvice>

North West

- ✚ Geoff Allison is standing down from attending IANF but will still Chair Network meetings.

- ✚ Local issue with Travellers cold calling, they rent vans for a couple of weeks to carry out work on houses, it then makes it difficult for Police to identify them.

North East

- ✚ Network wanted to set up NCCZ for whole of North East, this was not possible. Certain criteria for setting up a Zone eg local support for Scheme & number of reported incidents.
- ✚ Trading Standards can provide individual householders with door stickers.

PB added that several Schemes within St. Margaret's have recently become NCCZ's.

South East

- ✚ Question asked around parking on pavement (Issue around School parking) is there a legal space that should be left for pedestrians?

IBC Parking Enforcement Officers deal with parking restrictions eg double lines.

SNT deal with obstruction (parking on pavements/over drop kerbs)

TS advised to take photographic proof and send to IBC, SNT and local Councillors.

MS suggested contacting the local press.

GA suggested inviting the IBC Enforcement Officers to next Network meeting.

Rushmere

- ✚ They are planning events for National NW week to promote NW. – Display will be at the Tower Hall all week for all visitors to see. Stand/display at Broke Hall School summer fete on 8th July.

Kesgrave

- ✚ JC has struggled to find any details of a bank account once held by Scheme.
- ✚ Suggestion made that any funds of 'closed' Schemes could be donated to the NNHW or SNWA.

SNWA update

- The SNWA is known as a Force area Association.
- An annual event for all Schemes within the Southern area is booked for Tuesday 20th June at Police HQ.
- PCC & Constabulary will support 3 key meetings each year.
- A Partnership agreement between SNWA & PCC/Constabulary should be finalised in 6 months.
- SNWA working tirelessly on signage-new agreement with SCC for signing- off planning consent.
- SNWA pushing to get fee for erection of signs dropped.
- SNWA currently only have 5 free NW signs (funded by PCC)
- TS showed literature for encouraging new NW Schemes/membership (funded by PCC)
- SNWA looking for additional support, only three members for whole of County.

Additional comments re. SNWA update

- JC spoke about 'Suffolk Day' first one for Ipswich lead by Radio Suffolk.
- GP had seen new NW signs in York.
- GP asked if SNWA would be at the Suffolk Show, this is unknown at present.
- JC suggested using the 'Rural coffee caravan' - a good way to facilitate new Schemes.

Dates for future IANF meetings – Monday 31st July and Monday 30th October