



Neighbourhood Watch

Ipswich Area Network Forum

Constitution

Aim

To represent all individual Neighbourhood Watch (NW) Groups and their NW Schemes residing within the Safer Neighbourhood Teams of Ipswich.

Objectives

Support Network Co-ordinators in their role.

Ensure a good working relationship with Suffolk Constabulary.

Ensure regular and effective communication with the Suffolk Neighbourhood Watch Association (SNWA).

To raise issues and initiatives on behalf of Ipswich NW Groups to relevant bodies for action as appropriate.

Main Activities

Ensure meetings are held in January, April, July & October to run between Network meetings.

Assist individual Networks in operating effectively by offering support and guidance.

Facilitate effective communication links between Suffolk Constabulary and individual NW Schemes.

Facilitate regular contact between the SNWA and individual NW Schemes.

Membership & Meetings

The Organisation shall be non sectarian and non political in membership. Membership shall be open to elected Ipswich Area Network Group Co-ordinators who agree to abide by the constitution and rules of the Ipswich Area Network Forum.

Committee

The Network Forum Committee shall consist of elected Area Network Group Co-ordinators (or their representatives) covering each of the areas operating within the Ipswich SNT framework – total minimum membership of 7.

For any decision to be valid a minimum number of not less than half the committee should be present (The Quorum). However all meetings will proceed even though attendance may be low, with decisions being deferred to the next meeting.

Annual General Meeting

- At the AGM the members shall elect a Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary. Those appointed shall hold office until the next AGM and may be eligible for re-election.
- An extraordinary General Meeting can be convened at the request of one third of the Committee.
- The right to vote at the AGM or Extraordinary General Meetings shall be open to all NW Members over the age of 18.

Amendments to the Constitution

This constitution may be altered at any meeting only if two thirds of the membership is present and vote in favour of the changes.

Dissolution

The Ipswich Area Network Forum may be dissolved at any meeting, by approving a resolution to do so, by a two-thirds majority of those present.

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The Constitution cannot be amended without the approval of the Forum Committee.

ADOPTION

The Constitution was adopted at a meeting held

At LANDMARK HOUSE, IPSWICH

Place VISITOR CENTRE VMC RS

Date 30th OCT 2017

Signed by

Signature 

Name A.R. SPALL

Position Chair

Witness Signature 

Name M G SHAW

Position Network Coordinator NE Ipswich