

**STAMFORD & DISTRICT NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH ASSOCIATION
CO-ORDINATORS MEETING MINUTES FOR 19TH JUNE 2013**

PRESENT: Nick Amies – Chair (NA)
Brian Lewis (BL)
Peter Burrows – Treasurer (PB)
Liz Cooke – Minute Taker (LC)
Meela O’Neill PCSO (MO)

Co-ordinators: Sue Richardson (Cliff Road), Phil Hughes (Fane Close), Malcolm Plumb (Exeter Gardens), Richard Barry (Barn Hill), Lewis Clayton (All Saints St/St Peters Green), Paddy Thompson (Shelley Close), Jim Snelling (Berrybut Way), Marian Whiting (Arnley Grove/Woodhead Close), Ann Turner (Alexandra Road), Brian Kinealy (Foxdales), Sue Massingham (Caithness Road), Shirley Pullinger (Caithness Road)

1. Welcome and Introductions – NA welcomed everyone and introduced the Steering Group Members.

2. Apologies: Pat Tibbert (Caithness Road), Brenda Brown (Peterhouse Close), Jeremy Ball (Welland Park - broken leg).

3. Minutes of last Meeting (16.01.13) accepted.

4. Matters Arising: [4] Re Crime Prevention Panel (CPP) bank account - NA had contacted Reg Burrell again, no joy. Paperwork has been sent from Barclays Bank to PB but none of the old signatories are available. He has spoken to Inspector Burnett also and he will hopefully sort it out with Bank. Bank will not tell us old signatories unfortunately. Lincs Alert – NA has had training now for this (23.03.13) at Nettleham and is putting messages on Lincs Alert.

[5] Lincs Fire & Rescue Service were unable to come this time as at Lincoln Show. Debbie Robinson (DR), Fire Safety Manager, had sent a Referral Form for Home Fire Safety Check - hard copies available, and NA would send an electronic copy to Co-ordinators, to pass to neighbours. (To complete put Neighbourhood Watch Stamford at top). Direct Dial number on last Minutes was incorrect should be 01522 580397. DR will come along to next meeting hopefully. NA to contact.

5. Lead Co-ordinator’s Report – Mentioned National Neighbourhood and Home Watch week. Gave details of personal liability insurance which had been renewed 1.4.13. to 31.3.14. covers all members of NHW on active NHW work. Contact NA or MO if needed.

Police & Crime Commissioner – has set aside £30,000 as Community and Volunteer funding. Will give grants and subsidies to local communities. (See website of PCC). However NA said he will take up the fact that if you get a grant and do not use within the year you have to refund it.

NA attended meeting of Lincs NHW on 16.04.13. Mainly reports from other areas, and 2 interesting presentations from Inspectors from Nettleham. Security pens were handed out, and he had some with him for people to take. MO had brought some as well.

On 02.04.13 NA attended the Neighbourhood Policing Panel meeting. Priorities remained unchanged re lorries. Also “keying” of cars still ongoing. ASB seems to have quietened down. Next meeting of Panel is 02.07.13. at Teenzone at Christ Church in Green Lane at 6.30 pm.

NA urged more people to attend. MO also asked people to go and tell police local problems. Panel are also happy to have new members. Town and County Councils are represented.

Lincs Alert – As noted earlier NA now has access. There are 46 Stamford co-ordinators registered on line and 18 on 'phone. Front page has been updated. One statistic - before Lincs Alert was introduced 5000 people using Watchline, and now 11,500 people using Lincs Alert. (233 in Stamford). Bourne has more than this area, we need to tell people to go online. Anglers Watch is also on Lincs Alert. Of the 64 Stamford NHW areas only 12 are mapped (NA explained what this means) and he and MO are happy to help people map their scheme area. The spread of co-ordinators quite good but more holes in northern area of town.

NA also has access to Lincs site of NHW (www.lincolnshireneighbourhoodwatch.co.uk). On there you can find a page for Stamford which NA has put on and also see minutes of recent meetings and notes of this meeting. Also, in 'Documents' he hopes to put minutes of all meetings. Also a 'News' section. Grantham and 4 or 5 other schemes also have a page.

Query re foreign vehicles going through Stamford - MO said report to police the registration number or name of company. Always report big trucks (although if know they are delivering locally do not report) either ring 101 or email.

6. Treasurer's Report – PB said balance is £844.03, 2 expenditures – Lewis Clayton to Nettleham for Information Day, and the bill for last meeting in church (£14). There will obviously be one for this meeting of £14 again. PB will help chase up money from CPP account.

7. Police Briefing – MO said marking at allotments very successful. Contact her if anyone needs anything marked. Chris Clarke is new PCSO, so at full strength now. MO said no burglaries, Leicestershire seem to be targeted at moment. Please contact 101 if doorstep sellers and you are not happy with them as a lot of burglaries seem to stem from these. Home Contents Log for people to take if wanted, go through house and mark items on back with postcode and door number with UV/black markers. If police get items from thefts they will return to you if marked. Also Cycle Passport – put details of cycles on it. If you have a smart phone should be app on them (Find my phone) and register your phone and police can track them. Said shop thefts are high so if you see anything suspicious please alert staff. Purse thefts seem to be down but still make sure purse/wallet is secure. Leaflets for people to take, also had purse chains.

Query re property stickers – MO will drop some in to people who left names at end of meeting. Query re moving house – what should you do? On mobiles app can be amended otherwise just put new postcodes on. Take photos of jewellery. Postcodes can be erased but keep topping them up. Window stickers from Towngate Insurance are round ones, order as many as you want and they will send you a batch.

8. Any Other Business – Comment re change in parking habits now we have parking wardens. Discussion about Residents' permits/parking. Complaint about dogs dirt in Tinwell Road. MO will pass on to Council.

9. Date of next meeting – after discussion, decided to try for AGM in the church again on 22nd January 2014. Sticking to Wednesday. BL will try and book for then. NA will put these Minutes on Lincs Alert.

Meeting closed at 7.55pm.