

STANLEY TOWN COUNCIL: CRIME & COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE			
MINUTES OF MEETING			
MEETING TIME: 18:30hrs; DATE: 18/02/15; VENUE: Stanley Civic Hall, Front Street, Stanley, DH9 0NA			
PRESENT - CLLRS: B. Nair (Chair), C. Thompson, J. Charlton, D. Walker, R. Ferris, L. Elliott, C. Bell, A. Clegg & J. Nicholson.			
APOLOGIES – CLLR: D. Mills.			
OFFICIALS – B. Hall (Community Services Officer) and N. James (PA / Note Taker).			
OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE – 1 member of the public, Insp Kelly Martin, Cllrs B Nixon and D Tully.			
MINUTE	SUBJECT:	NOTE/S:	ACTION/S:
CCS.96-14	Item 1 - Apologies	Apologies received from Councillor D. Mills were accepted by the Committee.	
CCS.97-14	Item 2 - Declarations of Interest	Cllr J Charlton declared her standing declaration as a County Councillor. Cllr C Bell declared her interest as Chair of the Traders.	
CCS.98-14	Item 3 - Procedural and Appropriate Announcements from the Chairman	Cllr David Walker requested that the committee discuss the letter received from DCC Stanley Councillors in relation to enhanced services. It was agreed that this will be discussed after item 12.	
CCS.99-14	Item 4 - Minutes	It was proposed by Cllr C Thompson, seconded by Cllr A Clegg and RESOLVED that the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 7 th January 2014, be approved as a correct record.	
CCS.100-14	Item 5 - Public Participation	5.1 Insp Kelly Martin updated members on the recent fires in Stanley: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - At Burnside Primary, play articles were set alight. Asbestos in the building caused problems with safety. Enquiries are ongoing to find the culprit. - Bins had been set fire to in Joicey Gardens, Reynolds Close and Byron Close. Forensic evidence is still being looked at. 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There is no evidence to show that elderly or vulnerable people are being targeted. - Kelly will provide an update to Brian when the police know more. - Derwentside Homes may be looking into providing residents with more secure bins with locks, and having a clear up around the targeted area. <p>5.2 There were no written questions.</p>	
CCS.101-14	Item 6 - Ward Issues	New Kyo – Cllr R. Ferris noted that there are still issues in the New Kyo area. Residents are asking what the Council is doing in relation to untidy dirty gardens. She also noted that there had been a report of cannabis growing at Windsor Terrace. Cllr Ferris told Insp Kelly Martin that when she called to report the cannabis, she was told to throw it in the bin, which she did not feel was the correct response. It was AGREED Kelly would look into the call Rose made, and see what the response was from the call handler. The Chairman advised Cllr Ferris that all issues in New Kyo are being looked at by the O.T.I.S team.	Kelly
CCS.102-14	Item 7 - Current Initiatives	Abused parking on the Front Street – Brian noted that James was making progress. Dog Waste Bins – Deferred.	
CCS.103-14	Item 8 – Public Realm	Brian will be meeting with the Beat Officer Graham Davison to discuss the damage to the seats on the Front Street. There has been no further damage recently.	Brian
CCS.104-14	Item 9 – Dog Waste Bags	Members discussed the effectiveness of the new dog bag distribution list. It was AGREED that Tyne Road Community Centre would be re added to the list, and that any other distributors that had been removed would not be re added. It was AGREED Future deliveries of dog bags will be stored in the Cellar at the Civic Hall, and will be distributed by Members / Officers. Each distributor will get 3 boxes which will have to last 3 months.	Nicola
CCS.105-14	Item 10 – The Word	Deferred.	
CCS.106-14	Item 11 – O.T.I.S	Brian updated members on the progress O.T.I.S was making. He noted that the team was looking at New Kyo as the first priority. There will be a scan of the area, a consultation will be carried out in the next few weeks, door knocks and coffee mornings will be held to find out the current issues.	

		The team will follow the OSARA model to get lasting results. Members will be provided with updated following each meeting.	Brian
CCS.107-14	Item 12 – Youth Involvement / School Council	Brian noted that he has contacted the staff at North Durham Academy and Tanfield. Booth schools seem keen to be involved with the Town Council. The next step will be to organize an event, to get the pupils together as a forum. Daniel O’Brien and Andrea Boyd have also expressed an interest as part of Stanley AAP.	
CCS.108-14	Extra Item – DCC Letter re: Enhanced Services	<p>Members AGREED that the Acting Town Clerk would write a letter of response to the DCC Stanley Councillors who sent the letter of concern in relation to Enhanced Services.</p> <p>The Acting Town Clerk should include the following in his reply letter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Town Council did not think that there was an enhancement being provided. - No answers had been provided from DCC that STC had requested. - STC feel that we can run the services better ourselves. <p>Cllr J. Charlton wished to inform members that she did not know that the letter was being written, she had not been asked to sign the letter, however she does agree with it.</p> <p>Cllr J. Nicholson was concerned how DCC knew STC’s decision, as the decision had been taken in Part B of our Full Council meeting. She also did not like the tone of the letter.</p>	Derek
CCS.109-14	Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting	Wednesday 4 th March 2015, 6.30pm, Stanley Civic Hall. This meeting will just be to discuss how members would like to spend the Environmental Services budget.	
End of ‘Action Point’ Minutes	Notes taken by N. James	<p>Minutes approved by:</p> <p>----- (Chair);</p> <p>----- (Date)</p>	