

MINUTES of the CRIME & COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING OF STANLEY TOWN COUNCIL held at Stanley Civic Hall, Front Street, Stanley on Wednesday 4th May 2016 at 6.30pm

PRESENT: Cllr C Bell* Cllr C Thompson Cllr D Walker Cllr J Charlton
 Cllr L Elliott Cllr R Ferris Cllr J Nicholson Cllr W Nixon

*Chairman

OFFICERS: Nicola James (PA to the Town Clerk)
 James Harper (Community Development Manager)

IN ATTENDANCE: PS Dave Clarke and John Ullathorne (Community Speedwatch)

664 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr G Graham and Alan Shaw, Town Clerk.

665 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr C Bell declared a non-pecuniary interest as Chair of Stanley Traders.
Cllr J Charlton declared a non-pecuniary interest as a member of Durham County Council.

666 PROCEDURAL AND APPROPRIATE ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN OR TOWN CLERK

None.

667 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public were present at the meeting.

668 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It was proposed by Cllr C Thompson, seconded by Cllr W Nixon and **RESOLVED** that the Committee approve the minutes of the Crime & Community Safety Committee meeting held on 6th April 2016.

669 CYCLING PROFICIENCY

The Chair requested that the Committee considered whether or not STC can have an input into educating children about cycle safety and basic maintenance.
The CDM noted that Durham County Council have a cycling proficiency team and that he would get the details and see if STC can support/ enhance the scheme.

670 WATER SAFETY

The Chair requested that the Committee consider whether or not STC can play a role in educating children about the hazards associated with playing around natural water courses in the Parish.

The CDM noted that it is not the Town Councils responsibility to provide the education to the children but he will look into the Town Council to join in with any schemes that are currently running.

671 SHED SECURITY

The Chair requested that the Committee considers whether or not STC can take any steps to highlight the risks of theft from garden sheds.

Cllr Charlton suggested that the TC could work with local Police on a short term campaign to get people to attend their PACT meetings so they could pick up free shed alarms.

PS Clarke suggested that the TC could fund shed equipment, alarms ranging from £5 - £10.

The CDM noted that shed security was not highlighted as an issue in the latest consultation.

Cllr Nicholson suggested that Blooming Good Fun entrants receive a free shed alarm.

672 UPDATES FROM PARTNERS

Community Speedwatch

John Ullathorne updated the Committee on the Community Speedwatch programme that is rolling out in Stanley. Data is being collated from 42 areas around the Town by volunteers. Schools will be targeted in the programme.

Cllr Charlton thanked John for his work on this programme.

PACT House

Dave Clerk noted that the new flooring is now down. £10,000 worth of IT equipment is being installed this week. There has been a £20,000 bid put in to DCC for upgrading the building (shot blasting and new windows). The open day is Sat 14 May 11am - 3pm.

673 DATE, TIME AND VENUE OF NEXT MEETING

To be agreed at the AGM.