STANLEY TOWN COUNCIL: CRIME & COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF MEETING

MEETING TIME: 18:30hrs; DATE: 07/01/15; VENUE: Stanley Civic Hall, Front Street, Stanley, DH9 0NA

PRESENT - CLLRS: B. Nair (Chair); C. Thompson; J. Charlton; D. Walker; L. Elliott; C. Bell; A. Clegg; J. Nicholson.

APOLOGIES – CLLR: R. Ferris.

ABSENT - CLLR: D. Mills.

OFFICIALS – J. Harper (Community Development Manager); B. Hall (Community Services Officer); and N. James (PA / Note Taker).

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE – Katy Macdonald; Emma Thompson; Emma Kay; Graham Davison; Cllr B Nixon.

MINUTE	SUBJECT:	NOTE/S:	ACTION/S:
CCS.81-14	Apologies	Apologies received from Councillor R. Ferris were accepted by the Committee.	
CCS.82-14	Declarations of	Cllr J Charlton declared her standing declaration as a County Councillor. Cllr C Bell declared her	
	Interest	interest as Chair of the Traders.	
CCS.83-14	Procedural and	The Chairman noted that Cllr B Nixon could join in with discussions even though he is not an	
	Appropriate	official Committee member.	
	Announcements	0.,,	
	from the		
	Chairman		
CCS.84-14	Minutes	It was proposed by Cllr C Thompson, seconded by Cllr A Clegg and RESOLVED that the minutes of	
		the Committee meeting held on 3 rd December 2014, be approved as a correct record.	
CCS.85-14	Public	5.1 Cllr B Nixon queried when the Civic Hall would be receiving a further supply of dog bags.	Nicola
	Participation	Nicola advised that she would request a supply be distributed to all distribution points by	
		the Wardens.	
		5.2 There were no written questions.	
CCS.86-14	Ward Issues	Ever Ready Market - Dangerous Parking - Brian noted that he had spoken to Ian Rain from DCC	

CCS.87-14	Current	Highways. He informed Brian that there had been no complaints and that there were no restrictions. 2 options are available: put in restrictions or provide notices via the police in relation to dangerous parking. Brian noted he has passed the issue to the police to look into. STC will leave this with the police and parking enforcement to look into. Rubbish in yards at Shield Row — Brian noted that he has completed assessments and the Wardens had sent warning letters to the houses which had an issue. Dog Waste Bin at the Monkey Club — It was noted that there is an issue with emptying new bins when they are inserted in an area. The best solution for this issue is to move the bins to the other side of the road. Steven Craig will liaise with Katy Macdonald. Katy will also request that the bins have new advertising on to show that the public can put dog waste in any bin. Abused parking on the Front Street — Brian noted that Ian Rain had been contacted again in	SC / KMc
	Initiatives	relation to this matter. There are no restrictions in place. The Front Street is too wide to obstruct, the Police cannot enforce the no entry signs, and there are no criminal offences being committed for the Police to progress. DCC have to change the Town and Country Planning Act and we need a Traffic Regulation Order. James Harper is to organize a meeting between Graham Davison, Maxine Stubbs, DCC etc. to progress this issue.	
		Checkpoint – Brian presented information to Members in relation to a new scheme with the Police called Checkpoint. Nicola will forward this presentation to Members and the Committee will discuss the possibility of entering the scheme at the meeting in March.	Nicola
CCS.88-14	The Word	James noted that The Word is on track. The song has been recorded and the video is currently being built.	
CCS.89-14	O.T.I.S	James noted that the OTIS problem solving group had their first meeting on 5 th December. The first problem they are looking at is New Kyo, and this is at the Scanning stage. There will be another meeting at the end of January to progress this problem solving.	
CCS.90-14	Public Forum	The Chairman noted that he would like to see the public come to speak to Councillors on a more	

		regular basis, and that the Civic Hall could be used for this purpose. Other agencies could also be invited.	
CCS.91-14	Youth Involvement / School Council	The Chairman noted that he would like to ask the Youth Council from the Academy and Tanfield School to talk to the Crime and CS Committee councillors and have informal discussions/meetings with senior students. Brian noted that he is beginning to pull this together.	
CCS.92-14	Town Centre Regeneration	As the Acting Town Clerk was not at this meeting, this item was deferred.	
CCS.93-14	Exclusion of Public and Press	It was RESOLVED that in accordance with Section 1 of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, as amended by Section 100 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council excludes the press and public on the grounds of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted since publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest.	
CCS.94-14	Budget 2015-16	There we no changes to the proposed budget for the Crime and CS committee since agreeing the following at the December meeting: The budget for Wardens, Caretakers etc. be removed and replaced with a title 'Environmental Works'. It was agreed that the budget currently for Crime Prevention (£7,610) and Weeks in Action (£14,000) should become a new budget of £30,000 for Crime Initiatives.	
CCS.95-14	Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting	Wednesday 18 th Feb 2015, 6.30pm, Stanley Civic Hall.	
End of 'Action Point' Minutes	Notes taken by N. James	Minutes approved by:(Chair);(Date)	