

Time: 19.30 – 21.05

Venue: Oakwood Centre Maxwell Room (by kind permission of Woodley Town Council).

Present: Mike Evans (Vice Chairman, Western Avenue, Woodley), Inspector Al Lloyd (TVP), Jon Hare (TVP), Councillor John Armstrong (ETC/Earley NAG Rep), Councillor Keith Baker (WBC/WTC), Councillor Richard Dolinsky (WBC/WTC) Coral Dolinski (Resident), Councillor Sheena Matthews (ETC), Councillor Alison Swaddle (WBC/ETC), Jenny Lissaman (ACER), Sion Williams (ACER), Noreen Calnan (Resident), Shelagh Flowers (Woodley adopt a street project), James Chapman (Manager M&S Shepherds Hill), Tony Hart (Resident), Ian Hills (Resident), Mary Holmes (Woodley Town Centre Management initiative), Rod Still (Vibez Dance Studio), Tony Lomax (Woodley/ Earley Lions Club Representative), Mabel Hahne (Resident), Tom Barker (Woodley Town Council).

Apologies: Mary Bather (Chair), Jacques Lherbier (Woodley Town Centre Manager), Brenda Cutler (resident), Jackie Rance (ETC)

Chair of Meeting: Mike Evans

1. All attendees welcomed and advised chair was unavoidably absent. The intent/structure of The Forum was as the first minutes “To collect Residents’ views on local issues, agree neighbourhood policing priorities for Woodley and North Earley and work with other agencies to find solutions where possible”. A list was circulated for attendees to advise name and any organisation they represented.
2. A Précis of the meeting notes dated 21/6/17 was read out and was accepted as a true record of the meeting at which 6 main issues were identified and 3 issues prioritised.
3. T.V.P. provided a detailed update of the three issued prioritised.
 - a) **Illegal Encampment.** Statistics had been collated, a meeting with Councillors had taken place, at which protocols were discussed and agreed.
 - b) **Bike Theft.** Again statistics had been collated, and a bike marking event took place in Woodley Town Centre on 16/8/17. Further marking to take place at local schools.
 - c) **Antisocial Behaviour.** An ongoing issue, antisocial behaviour agreements can be entered into with possible curfews and parents also party to these agreements. Criminal behaviour orders had been issued for disturbances at Woodley precinct.
 - d) **Other items reported.** Drug taking issues leading to 2 arrests, speeding operations took place at two locations, shoplifting at Iceland and M&S at the B.P Garage (Shepherds Hill). A ‘tackle speeding’ operation is being carried out in Hurst area in cooperation with “Slow Down” posters from local School Children.
4. A long discussion took place regarding Speeding/Cyclists/Mobile Phones, etc. A Preci’s of this as below.
 - a) Community speedwatch is being set up to allow volunteers to operate equipment and send out letters via T.V.P. 20 volunteers currently being trained/vetted.
 - b) 2 or 3 of these cameras purchased with part contributions from local parishes.
 - c) A list of which parishes contributed was requested.
 - d) T.V.P. advised that more volunteers were required.
 - e) W.T.C. requested a meeting to discuss community speedwatch as they are considering purchasing their own cameras.
 - f) Parking on pavements is an issue.
 - g) Speeding cyclists on pavements is an issue particularly in Church Road, Earley.
 - h) Culver lane identified as an obstruction issue.
 - i) Civil parking will be a W.B.C. responsibility from October.
 - j) Cycling in Woodley precinct is an issue – improved signage may be the solution.
 - k) It was explained that 20 MPH speed limits had to be self-enforced via bumps/chicanes.
 - l) Details of the law regarding cycling on pavements was requested.
5. Four items were identified as priority going forward.
 - a) A.S.B

- b) Illegal encampment.
 - c) Theft of cycles.
 - d) Clear protocols/details required regarding speeding/community speedwatch.
6. A.O.B.
- a) Any residents wishing to report crime anonymously to use “Crimestoppers”. Can additional “Crimestoppers” cards be given out?
 - b) Fireworks is an issue – advice on the relevant details of the law was requested?
 - c) M&S requested details as to how to quickly advise T.V.P. of shoplifting.
 - d) A new A.L.D.I. was soon to open which may add to shoplifting problems.
 - e) Could an issues log be generated by the Forum?
 - f) Can minutes be distributed to other parties/forums?
 - g) Woodley and Early Lions have kindly allocated a representative to our forum and would welcome close cooperation.
7. Next meeting advised as at 19:30 on 20/11/17 same location.
8. Post meeting de-brief.
- a) T.V.P. slight concern that tonight’s discussions seemed to centre on Woodley, North Earley should not be ignored.
 - b) Earley N.A.G. representative confirmed their willingness to work with the Woodley and N Earley Community Forum.