

Outer Community Safety Sub Group 19th March 2013

Present: Cllr Fox (Chair), Cllr Wadsworth, Cllr Collins, Zahid Butt (Safer Leeds), Insp Richard

Coldwell, Neil Goldup (CASAC), Angela Mawdsley (LASBT)

Apologies: Cllr Lay,

1.0 Matters Arising

None

2.0 Area Committee Funded Projects – update

Target Hardening

Project is on target to deliver on its outputs. 28 jobs left for Outer North West.

CASAC provided the meeting with details about a new product which is a PIR sensor connected to a plug in the house. The sensor is installed outside and when the sensor is triggered the plug in the house is activated and this could be connected to a light / tv / radio. The PIR sensor will be offered as an optional extra to target hardening jobs and a discount would be offered.

Richard informed members that there was still a euro profile lock problem in Leeds. There is also a counting anomaly where an attempted burglary is still counted as a burglary in the Home Office counting rules. The number of attempts has increased as a proportion of the figures – so this means that burglars are not getting into properties (although locks / doors are damaged). This should be seen in the context of a partnership success.

Members endorsed a project proposal to come forward from CASAC for £20k to run the project for a further 12 months. This will go to the May Area Committee.

Off Road Bikes

The team continues to be well appreciated by members of the public, particularly when patrolling in green spaces and rural areas. The team compliments the work of the neighbourhood policing teams when moving from one area to another to patrol green spaces. The team also speak to people in the greenspace and engage with young people about responsible riding, etc.

Members were asked to feed in any areas of concern to be added to the regular patrols and help promote the dedicated telephone number: 0113 2395092. This is an answer machine, with messages picked up the off-road bike team. Where details are left members of the public will be contacted.

Members agreed that a proposal to continue the project is put forward to Area Committee.

Action

Noted

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Cold Calling Zones

Yeadon and Otley have cold calling zones which aim to stop companies calling on residents without an appointment. The zones are monitored by Trading Standards with support from the Police and other partners. Adel is currently creating one and an application has been forward for Guiseley. The group suggested that Guiseley Neighbourhood Watch are asked to undertake a survey of residents prior to the introduction of the Cold Calling Zone and then again after the Zone has been in place for 6 months. ZB to speak to Gerry about relaying this back to the applicants and making it a condition of application.

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3.0 Police Update

Total crime continues to fall. April to date 522 crimes down compared to the same week last year, this is a reduction of 20%. Theft of motor vehicle up 20, theft from motor vehicle up 22, burglary down 120, other theft down 120, robbery about the same, criminal damage down 78.

Noted

Overall confidence in the Police is at 68%, satisfaction is at 85% and the number of people who thinks asb is getting worse is at 6.6%. These figures are very good when compared with other NPTs across West Yorkshire. Divisional changes are underway with a rationalisation of Inspectors, so for example Richard now manages the airport, previously this was another inspector. Police response will also be deployed from NPTs and this will come under the Inspectors. This is positive as it will mean that response staff will problem solve more rather than just responding to the situation presented.

Operation Optimal continues to be delivered, which involves analysis of where burglaries are occurring and mapping areas of high risk for the next burglary. Patrols are then deployed to the area. In addition, burglary victims and neighbours either side are and front and back are visited, offered crime reduction advice and signed upto immobilise.com

There are some issues of speeding through Pool, Bramhope, Adel and Cookridge Green Lane, these are referred for use of the Speed Indication Device and the speed gun if appropriate.

There has been some ASB across the area and Richards's team are dealing with these in partnership with WNW Homes and Leeds ASBT Team. Some good results in Holt Park dealing with some challenging individuals and families.

There has been an automatic number plate recognition action day (ANPR) delivered with partners from Works & Pensions, VOSA, the Councils Env Team – with vehicle checks for red diesel, waste trade license, etc

Richard has put forward a bid for Business Crime Reduction Initiative funding for marking equipment for metal (ornaments, etc). New legislation will also help to tackle metal theft, scrap metal dealers now need a mandatory license and the checks are more robust then they were previously.

Sheds are a problem with £5 locks on sheds with £3,000 worth bikes in them (cycle racks on cars are giveaway). Advice is provided to residents who have cycle racks on their cars.

The weekly update report has now moved to monthly as the resource is now based centrally in the NPT Divisional Support Team at Weetwood. Who will provide support to Richard's Team. Additionally Social Media is also used to keep members of the public updated, the NPT has a facebook page.

4.0 Leeds ASB Team

Leeds ASB Team provided information on the performance of the West North West ASB Team. The breakdown also included information on case / outcomes of note in each ward and Members asked questions relating to this information:

Noted

On average 50% of enquiries result in cases Cases take about 90 days to resolve 1 case = 1 perpetrator (cases can be connected).

Some good work delivered in Outer North West over recent months:

Adel – Holt park closure order for asb, Injunction / eviction are the next steps. Suspended possession for another asb case. Horsforth – housing caution for theft, housing caution for noise. Otley / Yeadon – injunction application following an asbo warning, housing cautions issued for drugs.

Work has started on a spring initiative with the Police and other landlords where the police are serving a letter to burglars (in custody) that states that information about the charge for burglary has been passed to the landlord and that the landlord will pursue action against the tenancy.

5.0 AOB

None

6.0 Date of Next Meeting

18th June, 1pm Otley Police Stn

17th September 2013, 14th January 2014, 22nd April 2014, 15th July 2014,