

Outer North East
Parish and Town Council Forum

Aberford and District; Alwoodley; Bardsey cum Rigton; Barwick in Elmet & Scholes;
Boston Spa; Bramham cum Oglethorpe; Clifford; Collingham with Linton; East
Keswick; Harewood; Scarcroft; Shadwell; Thorner; Thorp Arch; Walton; Wetherby;

Thursday 26th January 2017 at 7:30pm
Tree Tops Community Centre (Alwoodley Ward)
Chair: Cllr Dan Cohen

Attendance

Cllr Dan Cohen
Cllr Matthew Robinson

Alwoodley Ward
Harewood Ward

Cllr Ruth Reed
Cllr Claire Hassell
Keith Langley (Clerk)
Cllr Glyn Davies
Cllr Marina Heum
Cllr Nicholas Fawcett
Cllr Julian Holmes
Cllr Peter Lord
Kevin Sedman (Clerk)
Cllr Debbie Potter
Cllr John Richardson
Cllr Harry Chapman

Aberford & District PC
Barwick in Elmet & Scholes PC
Barwick in Elmet & Scholes PC & Bramham PC
Barwick in Elmet & Scholes PC
Boston Spa PC
Clifford PC
Collingham with Linton PC
East Keswick PC
Harewood PC
Shadwell PC
Thorp Arch PC
Wetherby Town Council

Andrew Birkbeck
PC Andy Katkowski
PCSO Tiff Greensmith
Bev Kirk
Cluny Macpherson

LCC ENE Communities Team
West Yorkshire Police
West Yorkshire Police
LCC Environmental Action Service
Chief Officer, Culture & Sport, LCC

Apologies: Cllr John Procter, Cllr Gerald Wilkinson, Cllr Alan Lamb, Cllr Rachel Procter, Cllr Ryan Stephenson, Cllr Peter Harrand, Cllr Neil Buckley, Sgt. Iain McKelvey, Jessica Hodgson (LCC), Cllr Keith Dunwell (Aberford & District PC), Cllr David Howson (Aberford & District PC) & Jane Maxwell (LCC).

1. Cllr Dan Cohen welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.

2. **Apologies** given as above.

3 **Minutes of last meeting**

3.1 With regards to minute 6.4 and minute 7.4 of the previous meeting, Cllr Cohen and Cllr Robinson confirmed that a request had been made to the council' chief highways officer about the cycle super highway scheme and that the concerns of Shadwell Parish

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Council had been communicated to officers is the council's refuse service.

4 Matters Arising

4.1 None.

5. Police Update – PC Andrew Katkowski & PCSO Tiff Greensmith, West Yorkshire Police

5.1 PC Andy Katkowski and PCSO Tiff Greensmith presented the latest crime statistics for Alwoodley, Harewood and Wetherby Wards. These statistics were caveated by saying that recorded crime in Outer North East remains the lowest in Leeds and the wider West Yorkshire policing area.

5.2 On the subject of staffing, PC Katkowski informed the meeting that 3 out of the 4 Ward Managers were in place whilst 9 out of the 13 PCSO positions were currently occupied.

5.3 PC Katkowski also updated the meeting on on-going areas of focus for the Police – reducing instances of burglary dwelling and increased road safety – as well as operations relating to off-road motorbikes (cross border with North Yorkshire Police) and a district wide burglary initiative.

5.4 Cllr Fawcett (Clifford PC) asked if the latest statistics reflected the new way crime is recorded. PC Katkowski confirmed it did and statistics were now more accurate as a result.

5.5 Cllr Richardson (Thorp Arch PC) asked if there was a direct correlation between cold callers (specifically ex-offenders) in the Outer North East area and an increase in crime. PC Katkowski said there wasn't but if members of the public felt harassed by cold callers this could be classified as Anti-social behaviour (ASB) and acted on accordingly.

6 Leeds Culture Strategy (2017-2030) & Leeds' Bid to become European Capital of Culture 2023 – Cluny Macpherson (LCC, Chief Officer for Culture & Sport)

6.1 Cluny Macpherson gave a presentation on Leeds Cultural Strategy and the European Capital of Culture 2023.

6.2 Following the presentation, Cllr Cohen opened up the floor for questions which included who is helping shape the Capital of Culture bid? (CM: a bid writer and bid advisor had been appointed but this was being steered by a working group from across the cultural, business, community and education spectrum); was regional cross-party political support secured for the Capital of Culture bid? (CM: significant progress has been made but more to do); What is the theme for the Capital of Culture bid? (CM: draft themes include 'fabric', 'voice', 'fear and belonging' and 'room'); who will foot the cost? (CM: The investment would come from a range of sources and the Council would be a minority but a significant funder).

6.3 Cllr Cohen stressed that the capital of culture bid must seek to benefit all of Leeds, including and celebrating the Outer North East area.

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6.4 On the subject of the Leeds Cultural Strategy questions were asked regarding the scope for older people to get involved/become a focus (CM: Yes, definitely); plans for Chinese new year (CM: Will report back when known); need for a professional orchestra in Leeds (CM: Understood it is an issue that does get raised but the ongoing cost could be very challenging).

7. Environmental Issues – Bev Kirk (LCC, Environmental Action Service)

7.1 Bev Kirk gave an update as to the number of service requests that had been received by the Locality Team for the Outer North East area from April 2016 – January 2017 (Alwoodley - 1,593; Harewood – 1,105; Wetherby – 1,028)

7.2 Bev further gave an update on sweeping in Alwoodley ward (currently twice a week); Dog bin dispensers in Alwoodley Ward (now ordered); dog fouling hot spots (looking at locations in Thorner and Aberford).

7.3 In terms of focus for the Locality team in the coming weeks Bev said fly tipping and the litter picking of arterial routes would remain a high priority.

7.4 Bev mentioned a clean-up of a stretch of the A58 between Collingham and Wetherby at the end of March. Cllr Holmes (Collingham with Linton PC) said volunteers would help when advised of the time and date; AB to also advertise via social media channels. **BK/JH**

7.5 Forum members raised the issue of verge creep (Shadwell Lane to Harrogate Road & Leeds Road between Scholes and Barwick). Bev responded that she would look at both as part of the Locality Teams work programme.

8. Update from Parish and Town Councils

8.1 The Neighbourhood Plan for Barwick in Elmet and Scholes Parish Council has now been submitted to Leeds for examination. The Regulation 16 consultation runs from 30th January to 13th March. Details and all submission documents are on the website www.BarwickandScholesNeighbourhoodPlan

8.2 Clifford Parish Council has held their referendum on their Neighbourhood Plan. Nearly 92% of the votes were in favour.

9. Any Other Business

9.1 Cllr Robinson informed the Forum that he had recently set-up a highways issues log for Harewood Ward:
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/17j9vmBaTqPais8HEX3YXeCP-66yTm6GckZx2ELIZT5w/pubhtml>

9.2 Cllr Robinson explained that this log would be edited by himself as google document that would act as a live and transparent tracking system for on-going highways issues in the Ward. If any information regarding highways issues (including details of existing HGV bans) could be sent to him at Matthew.Robinson@leeds.gov.uk

9.3 Cllr Cohen said he and other Forum members would like highways officers inviting to the next meeting to discuss a number of ongoing issues in the ONE area. **AB**

10. Date and time of next meeting

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Thursday 20th April 2017 at 7.30pm in a venue in Harewood Ward (tbc)

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