

Appendix 3

**Present:**

Cllr Suzi Armitage (Chair), Cllr Peter Gruen, Cllr Pauleen Grahame, James Nundy (South East Area Management Team), Virgil Meikle (LCC - Youth Service), Sharon Taylor (West Yorkshire Police), Simon Green (WYP), Doreen Scahill (Whinmoor 'B' Residents Association), Rita Grainger (WBRA), Julie Wilson (resident), Tony Wilson (resident), Nathan Vaughn (LCC – Environmental Action Team), Pam Parker (Aire Valley Homes), Siddiga Austin (resident), Peter Simpson (resident),

**Apologies:**

Inspector Tom Harrison (WYP), Ken Hill (Swarcliffe Good Neighbours)

<b>1.0</b>	<b>Welcome, introductions and apologies</b>	<b>Action s</b>
1.1	Cllr Armitage welcomed everyone to the meeting. Introductions were made and the apologies noted.	
<b>2.0</b>	<b>PACT meeting – Neighbourhood Policing Team</b>	
2.1	Crime and anti-social behaviour figures from the last six weeks were reviewed:	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A total of 32 crimes were recorded, along with 63 calls regarding ASB</li> </ul>	
2.2	<b>ASB</b>	
	37 of the 63 ASB calls related to nuisance motorbikes. The police off-road motorbike team is still operating with one officer at the moment.	
2.3	On average, there are two motorbikes seized per day.	
2.4	ASB hotspots are Stanks Drive, Stanks Gardens and Stanks Parade, many relating to parties and bottles being thrown in the streets. A tenant from Stanks Parade has recently moved and the situation has improved.	
2.5	The fish and chip shop on Stanks Parade is due to become a takeaway. The police will patrol the location on an evening.	
2.6	Staging Post pub – issues still ongoing, but being monitored.	
	<b>Farndale View Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA)</b>	
	Residents at the forum were voicing their concerns strongly about the issues they face on a daily basis because of the MUGA's proximity to their properties	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Youths drinking</li> </ul>	

2.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bad language</li> <li>• Organised cage fighting</li> <li>• Smoking cannabis</li> <li>• Up to 30 people at a time</li> <li>• Stopping younger children using the facility for its intended purpose</li> <li>• Residents are being targeted when in their gardens</li> <li>• Residents are at their wits end</li> </ul> <p>Police agreed to attend the MUGA this evening and are on-shift until 2am.</p> <p><b>PACT priorities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Farndale MUGA (Police will highlight with their sergeant and liaise with residents later tonight)</li> </ul>	
<b>3.0</b>	<b>Minutes from Swarcliffe Forum on 20 April 2011</b>	
3.1	Agreed as accurate.	
<b>4.0</b>	<b>Matters arising from those minutes</b>	
4.1	(4.1) <b>Land at rear of Stanks Parade</b> – SA has now received conformation in writing from AVH.	
<b>5.0</b>	<b>10 minute open floor</b>	
5.1	No issues.	
<b>6.0</b>	<b>Environmental Action Team Update</b> – Nathan Vaughn (Tel: 07891 272 500)	
6.1	Squinting Cat pub – a 'change of use' application is still with LCC Planning, so young people are still hanging around the site at the moment.	NV
6.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deeta (Youth Service) is patrolling the area on an evening</li> <li>• Double doors have now been removed and the owner informed they need to secure them</li> </ul>	
6.3	The Whinmoor pub has now been cleared of litter, debris and dumping.	
6.4	Penwell Garth development (Persimmon Homes) – domestic waste has now been removed.	
6.5	A dog fowler was recently caught and fined £75. Nathan to do some education activities in the area on fog fowling and littering. A recent case regarding a fly-tipper resulted in a £265 fine.	
6.6	The Swarcliffe welcome stones are to get some attention with weeding and planting.	

6.7	RG was thanked for her information regarding an incident on the Cock Beck where an oil drum was seen being pushed in. The drum was recovered before and damage was done and an environmental disaster was averted.	P&C
6.8	The goal posts on the pavilion pitch are safe and with LCC Parks and Countryside. They will be reinstated when P&C can find the holes in the field!	NV
6.9	'Locality Teams' are coming soon – changes are coming for a more localised service.	
6.10	Nathan to provide the councillors with the ginnel information to the councillors.	
6.11	<p><b>Questions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overgrown gardens – AVH recharge policy is being looked into – like a handyman service for tenants on low income</li> <li>• Grass cutting on Whinmoor Way – issues with AVH / Highways / Parks &amp; Countryside as all own different parts of the walkway. It is hoped a realignment project taking place in the near future will address these issues</li> </ul> <p>Groundwork Leeds will be doing some environmental work near Whinmoor Way soon.</p>	
<b>7.0</b>	<b>Housing issues in Swarcliffe</b> – Pam Parker	
7.1	PP delivered an update report.	
7.2	The ASB Team has seven ongoing cases. AVH look after the low level ASB cases such as tenancy breaches and noise nuisance cases.	
7.3	Nathan Vaughn was thanked for his excellent work in the area and partnership work with AVH. "He's the best".	
7.4	AVH walkabouts are still ongoing every month.	
<b>8.0</b>	<b>Activities for young people in Swarcliffe</b> – Virgil Meikle	
8.1	Monday – C-card drop-in / Connexions at St Gregory's Youth & Adult Centre for help with college applications and bridging. The computers at St Greg's are now networked for CVs and job shop sessions. Number attending are in the region of 10 to 15 per session, advertised on Facebook.	
8.2	These is also ongoing detached work, mobile provision and the	

8.3	health bus are operating in the ward too.	
8.4	Tuesdays football sessions at Football World were cancelled, instead opting for a more local approach by linking in with local football and rugby clubs.	
8.5	Youth clubs are still very popular, with an all-time high of 63 in attendance, but average figures per session are 43-50. It is hoped other staff can be brought in to help run these popular groups.	
8.6	Look after children are being targeted and a few are already getting involved.	VM
8.7	Potential for a 'question time' session with ward councillors in September.	
8.8	Music, Hair and beauty sessions are ongoing	
8.9	There are 52 worker hours for the ward but hours are banked when possible to increase the provision available where it's needed most.  Manston Park funday poster was highlighted.	
<b>9.0</b>	<b>Swarcliffe Good Neighbours Scheme</b> – update from Ken Hill	
9.1	Ken sent his apologies as was away with the Good Neighbours on one of their trips out, but the following update was available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lunch club is ongoing and 4840 meals were served last year. The club attracts 110-120 people per week</li> <li>• The trips out are always well received</li> <li>• Outer east gardening scheme is proving popular</li> <li>• Line dancing is going well and the troop are hoping to perform at the Older Persons Event Week in September.</li> <li>• Computer club is ongoing</li> <li>• Work has started on intergenerational project between schools and OAPs</li> </ul>	
<b>10.0</b>	<b>Any other business and date of next meeting</b>	
10.1	<b>Farndale MUGA</b> – Dave Purdy (PFI Compliance Team) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Farndale MUGA is one of three play areas installed under the Swarcliffe PFI contract. It was built to the specification given and installed in the correct place, but as time has shown, the location of this MUGA is now not idea</li> <li>• It cost £177,000 to install. Two quotes for its dismantling, removing the tarmac and the area grassed over have been received – they are £19,873 and £24,320. A third quote is still awaited</li> <li>• Seven properties back onto the MUGA site</li> <li>• Forum members stressed they would settle for just the structure</li> </ul>	

10.2	<p>being removed – there is already an area of tarmac close by which doesn't cause any problems. It was hoped this would reduce the cost and allow the dismantling to be given the ok, but DP pointed out the scheme for removing the equipment would need to go out to consultation and unfortunately can not be done on the basis of requests from its nearest neighbours</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Councillor P Grahame noted she had previously raised the point that a different location could be better and not enough consultation was done in the initial stages</li> <li>• A forum member stated they had been informed the MUGA costs £7,000 per year to maintain the equipment. If the MUGA was removed, that would be £7,000 saved every year and looking at the quotes mentioned earlier, it would pay for its own removal in less than three years</li> <li>• Reference was made to a fractious meeting where councillors were ignored and they had to choose but to leave the meeting. There were also talks of planting trees</li> <li>• It was suggested that the policing should remove the ASB and then the MUGA should operate properly</li> <li>• The forum agreed that with hindsight, the MUGA was erected in the wrong place</li> <li>• Cllr P Grahame suggested this should be treated as a learning curve for future PFI bids</li> <li>• Cllr Gruen reminded the forum consultation would still be needed before the equipment could be dismantled and removed. There are also issues with having an unmaintained tarmac area</li> <li>• DP agreed to get revised quotes for just dismantling the equipment</li> <li>• CM suggested the Youth Service do a user survey and report back</li> <li>• The police were requested to produce a report detailing the number of incidents logged</li> <li>• Police tried to reassure the residents and highlighted the use of nuisance diaries (the residents already keep them) and to keep reporting incidents to them</li> </ul>	DP CM Police
10.3	<p>JN highlighted the young people's cricket weeks in Kippax and Whitkirk running 1-5 August and 15-19 August respectively. Funded by the Outer East Area Committee. Call the number at the bottom of these minutes for more information. A poster was tabled</p>	
10.4	<p>JN highlighted the Older Person's Event week, running 26-30 September. It comes to Swarcliffe on Tuesday 27 September. To book a place, phone Ken Hill on 232 6910. A poster was tabled.</p> <p>The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 4 October 2011.</p>	All