



**Martins Heron, The Warren & Harmans
Water Neighbourhood Action Group**
12 May 2009
11.35 am - 12.55 pm
The Wayz Youth Centre



Present: Councillor Trevor Kensall, Chairman
Bianca Gallipoli, The Wayz
Sgt Matt Grey, Thames Valley Police
NSO Oliver Neale, Thames Valley Police
David Parkin
Councillor Mrs Shelagh R Pile, Bracknell Town Council
Alastair Telfer, St Paul's Shared Church
Councillor Chris Turrell, Bracknell Forest Council
Roger Whiteford-Mulkern, Martin's Heron & The Warren Community
Association
Jolanta Wilson, Bracknell Forest Homes
Malcolm Young, Winkfield Parish Council

In attendance: Teresa Howlett, Bracknell Forest Council
Amanda Roden, Bracknell Forest Council
Katharine Simpson, Bracknell Forest Council

Action Points

Minute	Item
1	<p>Notes of Previous Meeting</p> <p>The notes of the meeting held on the 10 February 2009 were approved as a correct record.</p> <p><u>Water Distribution System</u></p> <p>To date no firm date had been set for the completion of the works and South East Water were waiting for an answer from Network Rail.</p> <p>There was still confusion regarding the re-instatement of the forest track between The Bog Lane Entrance in Swinley Forest and the A322 main road to the South. South East Water would be contacted for more information. (Action: Trevor Kensall)</p> <p><u>MOT Test Centre</u></p> <p>It had been confirmed that the temporary advertising sign at the MOT Test Centre complied with planning regulations.</p> <p><u>Harmans Water Primary School Walking Bus</u></p>

	<p>A lack of volunteers meant that the introduction of the walking bus had stalled and this would be followed up with the Head Teacher. (Action: Chris Turrell)</p> <p><u>Environmental Matters</u></p> <p>It was reported that Bracknell Forest Council had been contacted regarding rubbish and fly tipping in Allsmoor Lane. This was usually cleared up fairly quickly after it was reported but the situation would be monitored.</p> <p>The Group were waiting for a reply from Bracknell Forest Council regarding abandoned shopping trolleys and this would be pursued. (Action: Trevor Kensall)</p> <p>It was agreed at the February meeting to invite the General Manager of Tesco, Martin's Heron to discuss local issues. Cllr Trevor Kensall attended a meeting with the Store Manager to discuss the possibility of his attendance, and although he was unable to attend this current meeting, he would possibly be free to attend future meetings. The Tesco store had a number of planning application appeals outstanding and the Chairman reminded the group that planning was not part of the NAG remit and would not be discussed.</p>
2	<p>Police Beat Cover in the Neighbourhood</p> <p>It was reported that there was a PCSO and Neighbourhood Officer vacancy for the Martin's Heron, The Warren and Harmans Water areas. PCSO Katie Woodgate had been transferred from Binfield to cover the Martin's Heron, The Warren and Harmans Water Neighbourhood. Acting Chief Inspector Mark Harling had been contacted regarding the lack of police cover and assurances sought that the new PCSO would be kept in the Martin's Heron, The Warren and Harmans Water Neighbourhood to provide continuity as there had previously been a high turnover of PCSO's in the area.</p> <p>Tesco in Martin's Heron attracted groups of young people particularly after 9pm and it was requested that police patrols were increased and routed through the area on Thursday through to Sunday. It was agreed that this would be looked into, however any changes would need supporting evidence and people were encouraged to report any incidents.</p> <p>Operation Lion Cub was still operational and the appropriate contact details would be forwarded to Shelagh Pile.</p> <p>Posters of the Neighbourhood Police Team would be forwarded to Roger Whiteford-Mulkern for distribution. (Action: Oliver Neale)</p>
3	<p>Set Neighbourhood Action Group Priorities for 2009/10</p> <p>The three main areas of concern identified in the Neighbourhood Survey within Harmans Water, Martins Heron & The Warren were parking, vehicle nuisance and speeding. It was agreed that these would be amalgamated into a single priority</p>

'Traffic Issues' and Environmental Matters would become the NAG's second priority.

First Priority: Traffic Issues

The Parish Council held a regular committee that dealt with traffic issues and was attended by Police and Borough Council Highways Officers and it was suggested that any information gathered by the NAG was fed into this.

Double yellow lines would be put in on Oareborough and once this had been done the Council would be asked for them to be enforced by the Parking Attendants.

Speeding was reported to be a problem on New Forest Ride, Ralph's Ride and Harmans Water Road. The lack of a suitable place to pull drivers over meant that New Forest Ride was unsuitable for Police Traffic Enforcement. It was suggested that the speed limit on New Forest Ride should be reduced from 40mph to 30mph and this would be investigated to see if it was a possibility.

(Action: Trevor Kensall)

It was suggested that the speed limit on residential roads in Martins Heron was reduced to 20mph, however the Police would not have the resources to enforce 20mph limits. Speed Watch had been successful in other areas. It was noted that volunteers were issued with high visibility jackets, given training and advised to avoid conflict situations. Bracknell Forest Council's insurance team would be contacted to clarify what the insurance covered for volunteers.

(Action: Teresa Howlett)

Second Priority: Environmental Matters

This would include graffiti, litter, dog fouling and other environmental problems. It was reported that the bins at the shops were a problem area for litter and possibly needed to be emptied more frequently. The litter problem was the responsibility of Bracknell Forest Council and Bracknell Forest Homes due to the garages nearby.

The Brownie Group had helped the Police with Environmental Visual Audits and the Boys and Girls Brigade and The Wayz in the area would be contacted for possible help with a future EVA. This could then be used as the starting point for a subsequent litter pick.

(Action: Alastair Telfer/Bianca Gallipoli/Oliver Neale)

A Harmans Water Estate Day would be held at the end of June and it was suggested that this would be a good day to do things on.

Dog fouling was also reported to be an increasing problem, particularly in the Lily Hill Park area. It was suggested that dogs not on leads could be the main cause of this and that more dog bins were needed. The Friends of Lily Hill Park would be contacted on this matter.

(Action: Trevor Kensall)

The Parish Council had held a Communications Meeting last year for local community groups. The aim of the meeting had been to ensure that groups worked together to address public concerns and it was suggested that the NAG attend the next meeting of its kind.

Neighbourhood Priority Profiles would be set up for the two priorities and it was

	<p>requested that people forward any areas of concern to Trevor Kensall who would liaise with Oliver Neale.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Action: All/Trevor Kensall/Oliver Neale)</p> <p>Roger Whiteford-Mulkern would e-mail Trevor Kensall the top 10 list of roads with traffic problems.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">(Action: Roger Whiteford-Mulkern)</p>
4	<p>Feedback from Neighbourhood Action Group Chairs' Meeting on 29 April 2009</p> <p>The notes of the Neighbourhood Action Group Chairs' Meeting on 29 April 2009 were noted.</p>
5	<p>Dates of Future Meetings</p> <p>It was noted that future meetings of the Martins Heron, The Warren & Harmans Water Neighbourhood Action Group would take place on:</p> <p>Tuesday 21 July 2009, 11.20am, St Paul's Shared Church</p> <p>Tuesday 24 November 2009, 11.20am, The Wayz Youth Centre</p>