

**Arden Community Forum Notes
6th December 2012
Henley in Arden High School**

A total of 23 people attended

The chair, Cllr Peter Oakley welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked the Stand Holders who attended to provide information on the voluntary services they represent.

Local Policing update

Presentation by PC Simon Bennett including an update on the three priorities agreed at the last Community Forum which were:

- **Speeding on Station Road, Studley** – 8 speed checks were conducted. A top speed of 44mph recorded. 3 Fixed Penalty notices, 3 Roadside Cautions and 3 Advisory letters were issued.
- **Speeding on Blackford Hill, Henley in Arden** – 8 patrols undertaken. A top speed of 48mph recorded. 1 Fixed Penalty Notice, 4 Roadside Cautions and 3 Advisory Notices issued.
- **Anti Social Behaviour in Recreation Ground, Studley** – 42 Foot Patrols undertaken. 1 Section 59 Notice issued (ASB use of vehicle), searched 10 individuals. Issued 1 Cannabis Street Caution, 2 x £80 fines for cannabis possession and seized a small quantity of alcohol.

Also dealt with a number of street pedlars from the Nottingham area who did not possess appropriate licence.

More information can be found on www.safer-neighbourhoods.co.uk/an

Issues put forward and to be voted on for the next Forum meeting:

- Speeding A4189 Claverdon
- Burglary Patrols - Alcester North Area
- Parking issues in Claverdon
- Parking issues in Henley in Arden
- Speeding on Snitterfield Road at 40mph speed restriction

Issues can be put forward and voting can now be done on line at -

www.safer-neighbourhoods.co.uk/an – 46 votes were cast on line this time

Priorities for the next Community Forum:-

After voting the following priorities were agreed:-

- Burglary patrols - Alcester North Area - 20 Additional Patrols
- Parking issues in Henley in Arden – primarily Arden Road – 8 patrols to be conducted
- Speeding on Snitterfield Road at 40mph speed restriction – 8 additional speed checks

Presentation – Roles & Responsibilities of the Police Commissioner

Oliver Winters the Chief Executive from the Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner attended the forum to give an update on the role of the newly elected Police Commissioner Ron Ball whose role will include:-

- Hold Chief Constable to account
- Set a 5 year Police & Crime Plan
- Publish an Annual Report
- Set annual budget

- Appoint (dismiss) Chief Constable
- Arrange an efficient and effective criminal justice service

Presentation by Judith Linley – Henley Community Library Update

The library opened on 20 April 2012 in the Old School Room at Henley Methodist Church. Initial problems included Broadband, the decline of the Library Management System Computer which has now been replaced. The Library is run by a team of over 50 volunteers. Footfall is now exceeding 2000 per quarter. Looking to hold events for children and adults including book readings by local writers.

Stratford upon Avon Citizens Advice Bureau update

Studley outreach surgery continues to be well attended – operates on first and third Tuesdays. Funding remains a major challenge with forthcoming welfare changes likely to impact on resources. There are currently in excess of 50 volunteers and continue to actively recruit. Currently conducting a survey on prepayment fuel meters. Henley Library have offered accommodation for a similar service to that held in Studley.

Director of Public Health Annual Report

Emily Smith delivered a powerpoint presentation. Reported that County has secured £110k for the Affordable Warmth & Fuel Poverty Scheme to spend over coming months. The funds will be spread equally over each district. Many residents suffer from long term health conditions which with good management can reduce complications. If you are offered a checkup take up the offer. Health checks will be rolled out across Warwickshire during 2013.

You Said We Did:-

- Petition to install speeding reduction measures in Sambourne - reply received from Warwickshire County Council, no funds available
- Uneven pavements in Studley making it difficult for people with mobility scooters – Officer from Warwickshire County Council will look at the pavements highlighted
- Community First Responders – 3 Groups operational in Studley, Henley and Claverdon ensuring each Parish is covered

Have your say:-

- Tanworth in Arden speed initiative should be paid for by County Council - County Councillor Mike Perry responded that speed limits in Forshaw Heath have been reduced to 50mph
- Tanworth in Arden Parish Council suggested that making the Community Forum a point of information for projected plans for the Neighbourhood Plan
- Mappleborough Green – reports that youngsters are cycling on roads
- Overhanging trees and hedges on roads and pathways on A435 are a problem
- Scrap metal collectors operating in Studley and causing nuisance – suggestion received that number plate of vehicles noted and referred to police
- Community Libraries to be used more to disseminate information

Information Sharing:

- Studley Parish Council are holding Christmas Fayre on 7 December 2012
- Arden Forum Facebook page is taking off and 44 people are following the Forum on Twitter
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Cllr Peter Oakley thanked everyone for attending and participating in the meeting.

Arden Community Forum Website Address:-

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/henleystudleyforumcommunity
[www.twitter.com/ArdenForum](https://twitter.com/ArdenForum)

Date and Venues of Future meetings:
Thursday 21st March 2013, Dorothea Mitchell Hall, Claverdon



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