

Henley & Studley Community Forum Notes
16th December 2010
Wootton Wawen Village Hall

A total of 44 people attended the meeting

Local Policing update

Presentation by Sgt Bob Shaw including an update on the three priorities agreed at the last Community Forum which were:

- Speeding on Langley Road and B4189 in Claverdon – Team has carried out 8 recorded speed checks by Community Support Officers. 33 warning letters sent with top speed offences up to 47 mph. Also working with WCC Re: flashing signs for the area as well as the creation of a speed watch area. Work progressing concerning the flashing signs.
- Anti Social Behaviour around Studley Library – 10 extra patrols carried out by special constables and members of SNT. Alcohol restriction zone has been utilised on a number of occasions.
Op Orleans 3 successful on Halloween. No incidents of anti social behaviour. Still issues in Studley but these are being tackled.
- Parking issues outside One Stop and Somerfields, Henley in Arden – 18 patrols have been carried out. 56 drivers been advised of inconsiderate parking. One driver given a ticket for parking on zig- zag lines of pedestrian crossing. Trying to get increased support from SDC in ticketing offenders. Parking problems continue. Made worse recently by temporary traffic lights.
- Further information www.safer-neighbourhoods.co.uk/an
- Copy of presentation available on www.warwickshire.gov.uk/communityforums

Issues put forward and voted on;

- Parking, Henley High Street
- Speeding A3400 Wootton Wawen
- Speeding High Street, Henley
- Speeding, Holt Road, Studley
- Anti- Social Behaviour, Studley
- A4089, Alcester Road, Wootton Wawen.

Overview of Proxy Voting

Voting system raised as an issue and a level of criticism following last Forums petition. . All Parish Councils have an issues raised form that can be completed. Alarm from member of the Forum that if residents don't think the issue is important enough to attend should not be accepted. A petition should be classed as one vote. Not many members of the public attend meetings therefore anyone attending should be allowed to raise the issue on their behalf.

Forum feels that what happens now is adequate. Idea that valid petitions should be

raised in 'Have Your Say' which can be passed to the relevant authority to be dealt with.
Issues Raised Forms area available to download:
www.warwickshire.gov.uk/communityforums

Bob Malloy – Warwickshire Police Authority Update

Presentation given by Bob Malloy on the Financial Position of Warwickshire Police.

Further information is on their website www.warwickshirepa.gov.uk

A copy of the presentation is available on www.warwickshire.gov.uk/communityforums

Just announced that 450 staff and officers to be lost over the next few years.

Explanation given by Commander Warren Ayres as to the change in shift patterns.

Forum disappointed that the figures given are obscure.

You Said We Did

The "You Said We Did" presentation is on our website:

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/communityforums

Unfortunately due to the adverse weather conditions many officers unable to attend.

Concerns about loss of the youth services. Rob Townsend and Rob McCluskey unable to attend but will be discussed at next Community Forum meeting.

ACTION: Update on Youth & Community Centre/Youth Services at next forum

Plan of Action Update:

Copy of Draft Action Plan can be viewed on our website

www.warwickshire.gov.uk/communityforums

Cross Border Health & Social Care Issues presented by Manoj Sanghera

- 200 referrals per month with an average of 10 from the Alex Hospital. Not cost effective for a social worker to be based there. 3 -5 day delay caused while awaiting instructions internally. Hopefully this will be resolved.
- The Localism Bill may address some of the issues – next 12 weeks.
- Looking at systems to improve GP – Social Care staff. Awaiting guidance from the PCT.
- Concern from the floor concerning funds being transferred to GPs. If an area has a large elderly population could be a greater strain on resources than other areas. It is hoped the Department of Health will look at this when tariff situation comes into force.

ACTION: Health & Care Act Presentation for next meeting

Local Economy & what support is available presented by Jonathon Smith Stratford Business Forum

- Useful numbers and addresses can be found on the website for Stratford Business Forum.

- Now have 100 members and is a subscription organisation.
- Would like to expand organising business shows. Getting better speakers as it grows.
- Would like to develop sub –groups such as Retail, Non- profit organisations.
- They are a neutral facilitator and also work with Charities.

Air Quality Management update presented by Nick Ellison

- Industrial pollutants such as Nitrogen Oxide cause most of the problems with pollution due mostly through traffic congestion.
- Studley, Henley and Stratford are management areas.
- Studley identified in 2006 and air quality management area undertaken on the Alcester Road.
- Action Plan 2009 in draft form. Even though problems identified no funding and powers available to implement measures.
- Passed to WCC with request to do something about the problems but in the current financial climate solution will be slow. Now working on LTP 3 may take 5 years before something is done.
- Studley has the highest levels with Henley second in line.
- There has been a downward trend in pollution levels but these are once again on the rise.
- UK has been fined £300m by the EU for failing to deal with air quality. Responsibility passed to local authorities but they do not have the funding to deal with the problem.
- All 7 measures that would need to be implemented in Studley would cost £500,000. The cost of the fine would have covered air quality improvements in all areas.
- Assurance given to Studley that something would be done.

Transport to Warwick Hospital

There was no VASA representative but the following information was forwarded after the meeting:

VASA – Volunteer Driver Scheme, provides transport to Hospitals, Doctors, Dentists or other clinics. Ask for a contribution of 40p per mile towards volunteer driver's costs. Minimum charge £3 and 3 days notice of journey is required. To arrange a journey call:

Stratford: 01789 296344
Monday to Friday 10.00am to 4.30pm

Alcester: 01789 763117
Shipston-on-Stour: 01608 663122
Southam: 01926 817525
Monday to Friday 10.00am to 12.30pm

Volunteer Driver Always Needed – for more details call Clarissa Roberts 01789 262886

or email clarissa.roberts@vasa.org.uk
Website: www.vasa.org.uk

Leaflets outlining the services together with Wheelchair Loan services are sent to doctors surgeries.

Have Your Say:

Broadband issues in Wootton Wawen raised by Cllr Peter Emberson
BT looking at improving internet scheme but Wootton Wawen has poor coverage.
Balvinder Heran unable to attend to advise on how internet speed can be increased but will report to Wootton Wawen Parish Council.
Problem for many residents is they cannot go to other broadband suppliers because the strength is so poor

ACTION: Presentation on Broadband Speed issues at next meeting.

Policing Priorities

After voting the following priorities were agreed:

- Parking, Henley High Street
- Speeding A3400 Wootton Wawen
- Anti- Social Behaviour, Studley

Information Sharing

- Concerns that the name of Forum reflects Henley or Studley and not other Councils. Would like to consider if the name is to be changed ideas required of what it should be?

Action: To be discussed at next Forum.

- Community Computers – none requested from this Forum area.
Community Development Fund Awards – 2 awards in our area
£628 to Beaudesert & Henley Joint Parish Council – Arden Estate Noticeboard
£7057 to Stratford-on-Avon CAB – Studley Outreach
- Gritting Route Maps available on Warwickshire's website
www.warwickshire.gov.uk
- Current consultations www.warwickshire.gov.uk – links from home page
- Free Business Events in Coventry and Warwickshire.

Customer Care Success for Business - 20th January 2011, Windmill Village Hotel, Birmingham Road, Allesley, Coventry CV5 9AL

Converting Website Traffic into Sales – 9th March 2011, The TechnoCentre, Coventry University Technology Park, Puma Way, Coventry, CV1 2TT

Online Marketing to Boost Business Sales - 22nd March 2011, Wellesbourne Conference Centre, Wellesbourne, Warwick, CV35 9EF

For more information or to book a place visit www.howtowithbl.co.uk or call 0845 113 1234 – lines are open weekdays 8am-6pm and are charged at local rate.

- Facing the Challenge - A document called "Facing the Challenge" has been put

together which outlines in more detail the scale of the challenges ahead.

Available to view at www.warwickshire.gov.uk

- VASA Sustainability Roadshows planned for Spring 2011
- Latest copy of The Arden e-newsletter is available on:
www.vasa.org.uk/news/the-arden-latest-issue
- VASA Sports and Leisure Gateway – www.sportgateway.co.uk

Date and Venues of Future meetings:

Start time to be changed to Surgery - 6.30pm, Forum start 7.00pm

Thursday 23rd March 2011 - Studley Village Hall

Thursday 7th July 2011

Thursday 6th October 2011

Thursday 15th December 2011

Thursday 22nd March 2012

Suggestions for future venues requested to be confirmed at next meeting.



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