

Held on 30/04/2010 12:00 at St Marks Church, Pysons Road, Ramsgate

Priorities

- Whitehall Rec Project
- Anti-Social Behaviour
- Youth Engagement (Youth Activities)

Welcome and Introduction

Last PACT goal set:-

Parking issues Margate Road

Kazim Mirza TDC – Enforcement officers have attended the area of Margate Road, no tickets have been issued to date and more specific information is needed as to locations. Parking office numbers can be given out to public with regard to issues.

Issues raised with regard to parking outside the café on Margate road which obstructs the view coming out of Coleman Crescent – PCSO's will look at the issue and will move any vehicles found to be parking in an illegally.

Youth engagement from Craig Prentice:-

New flyers have been printed and distributed, with the program for the next 6 months. Activities are being put on for 11-18 year olds 4 nights a week.

Next fun day will be held in Coleman Park on Saturday 24th July. It will have an Olympic theme and £1000 of funding has been applied for.

FEGANS now run a Kidz Klub every Saturday at The Marlowe Academy for ages 5 –11 years a mid week home visit will also be carried out to the families.

Anti-social behaviour:-

Last year Northwood suffered issues from a group who named themselves the "NFS". Police and partner agencies have worked together and this group has now been disbanded.

We are now aware that there is an issue with nuisance bikes on the Whitehall estate, we are aware of who these individuals are and are currently targeting them. We encourage the residents to call us direct if they see any bikes being ridden in an anti social manner.

Police are now adopting a new way to feed back information to the public this is by the way of "You said we did" letters.

BB engagements are carried out by the PCSO's as to what issues are effecting people in their street this information then gets fed into a database, from that priorities are set and we are tasked to tackle the issues and feed back the results.

The letters which are being sent out this week contain information on the recent dog fouling operation that was carried out by PCSO's were 50 people were engaged with and handed Poo bags.

Road traffic policing unit came into Northwood to conduct speed checks in Pysons road by the school and had very positive results where people were fined for speeding/failing to wear seat belts/driving whilst on a mobile phone and other traffic offences.

Other issues raised:-

Rubbish on the Whitehall estate, TDC have raised the issue.

Alley from Margate road to Highfield road is full of glass – Issue will be raised with TDC and will have cleaned.

Op Clean sweep will be taking place in May with Multi agencies involvement and we will be on the Whitehall Estate, this is an opportunity to raise concerns and agencies to clean up the estate.

Question asked: Can a skip be place on the estate so people can dispose of their rubbish?

Cllr Liz Green – This has been done in the past, It did have a good effect. Cllr Green and Cllr Mark Nottingham will assist with the funding for this. Cllr Nottingham has stated he will put £500 towards the skip.

The Issue with skips needs to be managed effectively, we do not want to face issues where everyone from Thanet comes to Whitehall and dumps their rubbish.

We need to make people aware that it is not acceptable to dump their rubbish and assume council will just clear it up. Putting skips in may encourage this behaviour.

Skip idea to be considered after Op clean sweep has taken place.

Cllrs Green and Nottingham to liaise with TDC to form some sort of budget to fund a possible trial for the skips.

Issues raised with rubbish not being collected over the Christmas period:

TDC received numerous complaints and this year rubbish will be collected over Christmas.

Upkeep and Regeneration of Coleman Park :-

Whitehall rec project:

The Whitehall Rec project have submitted an application for funding for the park, confirmation of this funding will be given after the election but they are hopeful it will be successful and if so the money has to be spent by November of this year. It will be spent on play/recreation facilities.

Consultations have been carried out and 131 responses have been given back.

Designs on the park will be done and will have the involvement of local residents and children.

Long term solutions for the park are still being looked at. There is a possibility that events will be held in the summer to look at ideas for long term solutions for the park, encouragement is given to the residents to get involved in the project.

Other business:-

PCSO Dan Mimran is to leave Northwood. A new police officer will be taking over.

PACT dates are published on the internet and in local shops along Margate road.

Cycle lanes and road islands are being looked at and Cllr Liz Green has had involvement in this, road widening has been put back due to the gas works. Idea suggested that speed bumps are put in on Nixon Ave – Cllr Green – emergency services are not keen on speed bumps but possibly some other form of traffic calming can be put in she will pass to highways.

Speed checks have been carried out along Margate road.

Next meeting to be 30th July 2010

Meeting closed 13:00