

## **Notes on NAP Meeting for Great Baddow & Galleywood held in the Millennium Centre, Great Baddow, at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 11 July 2018**

**Present:** Richard Beck (Chairman), Maureen Miller, Trevor Miller, Chris Shaw, Andrew Sosin, Dan Glading, Norman Taylor, David Allan, Lorraine Allan.

**1. Apologies:** Ben Gibbons, Bob Hendrie, Bob Clarke, Stephanie Scott.

**2. Minutes of the meeting on 25th April 2018** were agreed.

Matters arising.

**3. Letter from the Police.**

(a) RB reported that he had received a further letter from Inspector Andy Sawyer in June regarding resources and methods of contacting the police.

**3. Youth Facility**

BG was unable to attend, but had reported that sessions were going well in Great Baddow with good numbers attending. He was in the final stages of securing use of one of St Mary's Church halls as a venue from September onwards.

**4. Highways and Traffic Problems relating to policing**

RB mentioned the introduction of new technology that would enable police to tell if a mobile phone was in use in a car. It was felt that this might act as a deterrent, although it was not yet being introduced in this area.

**5. Community Police Status, Policing Incidents and Issues.**

DA reported an incident at the top of Crescent Road the previous Saturday evening when six cars had wing mirrors smashed. One drug dealer had been severely hurt by another in The Chase recently and the greengrocers in the Vineyards had been broken into; the police knew who was responsible for that. There had also been a purse snatching in the Vineyards. Members remarked on a number of helicopters that had been circling Great Baddow late one night recently; police information was that they were looking for a vulnerable person. A house in Crescent Road had been raided when police were looking for a suspect in the murder case in Cromar Way. Everyone in Great Baddow is being encouraged to report all incidents to the police, so that a true picture of the level of crime in various areas is built up.

Bob Hendrie had informed RB that a lady in Meadgate had approached one drug dealer a few weeks ago, who had told her that 'we can do what we like' here. Police had advised her not to approach anyone again and there have been patrols. However, the lady says that dealing is still ongoing. Dealing still happens in The Chase, but at a lower level than previously. There still appear to be problems in Readers Court.

NT reported that things had been quite quiet in Galleywood, but there had been a couple of break-ins into cars and graffiti put on cars.

DA reported that he and other representatives of GBENA had met Chief Inspector Gerry Parker recently regarding issues on the GBENA Facebook page.

CS reported that the Parish Council had now signed a legal agreement with Essex Police regarding funding of two special constables.

CS reported on the large police presence in Great Baddow the previous Saturday, including police present in the Vineyards and the Recreation Ground and visiting the library in order to give the public an opportunity to talk to them. This had been arranged only shortly before and there had been no publicity or a request to arrange for parking of the mobile police station, which had therefore been problematic. This was contrary to information that had been given to GBENA, who had been told that they would be in the individual areas on different Saturdays. The Parish Clerk would be contacting the police to ask for prior notice of future visits to enable better organisation.

The formation of Independent Advisory Groups (IAGs) for Essex Police was noted. These are intended to be a way of helping the police better understand how their processes and new policies can affect the different communities in Essex and be the link between communities and Essex Police in relation to matters of diversity.

RB will send our minutes to the new Chief Inspector and new Sergeant for Chelmsford.

## **6. Future of NAP**

Anthony McQuiggan had circulated some points for discussion about the future of the NAP. It was agreed to have a separate meeting to enable these to be fully discussed; possible dates were 25th July or 1st August.

NT noted that police do come to some meetings of Galleywood Neighbourhood Watch. Neighbourhood Watch receive weekly crime reports for the Chelmsford and Maldon area and DG was asked to forward these to RB for circulation.

DA suggested that we should investigate posting our minutes on one of the websites dedicated to information about Great Baddow.

## **7. Priorities**

1. It was agreed that the main priority issue for the NAP would continue to be drugs issues in Great Baddow and Galleywood.
2. Encouraging reporting to the police by whatever means.

## **8. Any other business**

None

## **9. Date of next meeting**

Special meeting on future of the NAP 25 July or 1 August 2018  
Next regular meeting 7.30 pm, Wednesday 26 September 2018.

CS 19.7.18