

DEVON AND CORNWALL CONSTABULARY

BRIXHAM WARD PARTNERSHIP MEETING

Held at: Brixham Police Station at 7pm Monday 12th December 2005.

Chairman: Cllr. Chris LOMAS

Secretary: Sgt Dave CASLEY

Attended by: Cllr Peter KILLICK, Cllr Alan CRAIG, Specials Sgt Paul ADDISON, Mr Richard TAYLOR, Mrs Olive FARNHAM, Mrs Joan BLAKE, Ms Christine GUY, Mr Peter BUSHELL, Tracey CABACHE, Liz PHILLIPS (Herald Express), Alan WILLIAMS, Megan HUNT, Joan (Friends of St Mary's), Lyn (Friends of Furzeham Green), PC James BOWER.

Apologies: Mr D ELLIS, Cllr M. HODGE, Nick O'BRIEN, Cllr D BROWNE

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	<p>Prior to the commencement of the meeting, introductions were made by all present. Sgt CASLEY read a letter from Derek PETERS (Broadsands Neighbourhood Watch) resigning from the Partnership. It was agreed a letter of thanks be sent by the sec for his service over the years. (Letter sent 6th Jan)</p>	
1.	<p>MINUTES OF LAST MEETING</p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday 3rd October 2005 were agreed as a true and accurate record</p>	
2.	<p>MATTERS ARISING</p> <p>Recycling Bins Awaits update from Cllr BROWNE – to be carried forward to the next meeting. Offer still stands from the youth volunteers to decorate/paint the bins possibly with local partnership funds to supply the paint sprays.</p> <p>Windmill Hill Regarding the wall missing from beside Windmill Hill revealing a drop down from the roadside. Cllr LOMAS stated this is still being chased and the matter is in hand. Will report further to next</p>	<p>Cllr BROWNE – to update next meeting</p> <p>Cllr LOMAS to report further</p>

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	Traffic matters New traffic Orders in Furzesham Green / school area have been opposed by some local residents. MH due to report back on this but not present – also details of the Windy Corner improvements. Confirmation that Residents Parking scheme for Mount Pleasant is still a possibility?	Cllr HODGE to report.
	Christmas Tree It was reported that the ‘hole’ had been located to place the Xmas tree and it was now in place. Though it’s quality was questioned, it was noted Brixham had the only public tree in Torbay!	Resolved
3.	ST MARY’S PARK The proposed project for St Mary’s Park and the increased use of the tennis courts, and the creation of a summer grass football facility was discussed. Reps of Friends of St Marys stated they had heard various options as to what was going to happen as had Alan Williams of the Football Club. Sgt C explained the project as he understood it – The proposal was that part of the tennis courts would be transformed for use by the football club for winter training, and subsequently, possibly for use by local youngsters also. A small football pitch would be marked and supplied with new small goals (5 or 6 a side). It would be created on the main park on the grass for summer use, giving local youths a football facility in the summer months. Liaison is taking place with Ian Williams of the Council Parks Dept in efforts to further this project.	Awaiting further news on the progress of project.
4	POLICE REPORT a) Sgt C reported on the crime figures for Brixham from April to the end of November, in comparison with the previous year. The figures were on the whole promising, with reductions in dwelling burglary, violence, and	Further statistics update in March from Sgt C

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	<p>vehicle crime, but a slight increase was shown in Criminal Damage. A recent large scale wave of damage in the area is part responsible for this increase, but an operation is currently in place to try and prevent and detect this latest spate (Operation Sansa).</p> <p>b) Neighbourhood Problems: Speeding and noisy motor cycles in St Mary's – PC BOWER reported that work had been done in the area with the speed gun but no offences detected. It would appear the perception is that the motorcycles are travelling at a greater speed due to the enclosed built up design of the area. PC BOWER stated he had warned riders re inconsiderate riding (noisy) and would continue to monitor the area re this matter.</p> <p>The problem of egg and flour throwing seemed to die out as expected after November 5th. Such problems were currently minimal again. The matter would receive attention again same time next year.</p>	<p>Resolved pending further complaints</p> <p>Resolved (Til next year no doubt!)</p>

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Tracey CABACHE spoke on some of the matters which seem to be being imposed more and more on Ward partnerships. Discussions have been held on the way WP's work and specific tasks are in negotiation. Planning issues in particular were discussed, and it was felt that such issues may be looked at on an Ad Hoc basis, especially where the application may have some relevance or effect on the Community as a whole.

WP's are also involved with the Torbay Strategic Partnership in developing the Torbay 2020 plan – looking ahead to the year 2020.

A representative of the WP was also requested to become involved in discussions concerning the proposed Brixham Town Council. As Olive FARNHAM has already adopted this role with BASRA, it was agreed she could also represent the WP and report back on this matter.

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6.	<p data-bbox="446 268 771 300">WARD COUNCILLORS</p> <p data-bbox="446 342 836 373"><u>Cllr CRAIG</u> – Nothing to report</p> <p data-bbox="446 415 1047 583"><u>Cllr KILLICK</u> States he is still chasing to have the toilets at St Mary’s reopened It was also hoped the Furzeham toilets would be reopened.</p> <p data-bbox="446 625 1047 793"><u>Cllr LOMAS</u> On 26 Jan a meeting will be held at 7.30pm in the Brixham Community College Hall to discuss the future plans for the Indoor Swimming Pool which is in urgent need of funds/repairs.</p> <p data-bbox="446 835 1047 888">Work on the skateboard Park should start in the new year though there are some funds lacking.</p> <p data-bbox="446 930 1047 1333">Question was raised concerning lighting at Furzeham Green. It was felt this was a matter for Safer Communities Torbay, and should extra lighting be felt to be beneficial, an application could be made – this was also considered the same for the footpath which cuts through St Mary’s Park. Funds in the Safer Communities budget are now just about spent for this year with new funding due again in April. The Friends groups might considering making grant applications for such lighting.</p>	
7.	<p data-bbox="446 1375 552 1407">BASRA</p> <p data-bbox="446 1449 1047 1575">Olive FARNHAM raised the problem of cycles being ridden in the pedestrianised area of Fore Street. Local beat officers will be briefed to deal with such matters by Sgt C</p>	<p data-bbox="1096 1449 1347 1480">Sgt C to report back</p>
8.	<p data-bbox="446 1617 852 1648">NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH</p> <p data-bbox="446 1690 673 1711">Nothing to Report</p>	
10.	<p data-bbox="446 1753 771 1785">CHAMBER OF TRADE</p> <p data-bbox="446 1827 1047 1883">Peter BUSHELL reported that the chairmanship of the chamber had now been taken over by Nick</p>	

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	O'BRIEN, who will now represent the Chamber at future meetings, however, he was unable to attend tonight's meeting and Peter had to attend to bring the mince pies anyway!	
11.	ENVIRONMENT Nothing to report	
12.	CULTURE / DIVERSITY No Representative present No Issues to report.	
13.	YOUTH ISSUES Christine GUY reported that the Youth Volunteers will be involved in another of their 'Beach Cleans' on the 3 rd January at St Mary's at 11.00am.	
14	FAMILY / HEALTH AND SOCIAL ISSUES No representative present No issues to report	
15	ANY OTHER BUSINESS There being no other business, the meeting was ended.	
16	DATE OF NEXT MEETING Monday 6 th March at 7pm, Brixham Police Station. <u>NB Venue now changed to STOCKMAN's undertakers, top of Holwill Road, Brixham, due to refurbishment works at Brixham Police Station. Grateful thanks to Ian and Vanessa LORAM for providing the facility and Cllr HODGE for organising same at short notice.</u>	