

Minutes of 130th BHNW Meeting

16th April 2015

Bill Crocker	Chair	Richard Old	Church
Rose Cane	Secretary	Darren Rogers	Heath Upper
Mark Garland	Website & Social Media	Mick Bromley	Badminton
Ron Coleman	Treasurer	Graeme Dundas	Queensholm
PCSO Katrina Sheldrake	Avon & Somerset Police	Lynda Stone	Oakdale

Item 1

Apologies were received from:

Chris Stone Oakdale
Julie Gould Quakers
Lesley Ashley Fouracre
Lyn Bromley Badminton
Bridgett Whittle NHW coordinator Avon and Somerset Police

Non-attendance,

Mark Venables Sandringham
Martyn Thomas Bury Hill View FTB

Resignations

Val and John Rogers Bromleaze

Vacancies: Heathfields, Heath Lower, Bury Hill View (Martyn still kindly covering), possible replacement suggested, Bromleaze possible replacement found, PRO, Speed Watch Leader.

It is with regret that we report the death of Brian Roberts a previous secretary to the Watch. Ron has offered to deliver a letter to his daughter on our behalf.

Item 2 Minutes of Last Meeting

Agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting

Matters arising:

The two engraving sets are still missing.

Items for the Newsletter which have been included in the draft:

1. the average burglary takes 3 minutes,
2. report crimes to build police intelligence

Items still outstanding for the next Safer Stronger meeting:

1. to raise the issue of police vehicles being allowed to use bus lanes and 2+ lanes during the course of the normal day eg delivering prisoners to and from Patchway to avoid them sitting in traffic. **Action Bill**
2. Installing a speed camera on the Badminton Road **Action Bill**

Other items remaining outstanding are the purchase of a tool to tighten the ties for the BHNW signs **Action Bill**

Confirmation of legality of refuse collectors working both sides of the street simultaneously from the one vehicle

Action Martyn

A photograph of Paul and a few words required for the Newsletter

Action Paul

A new structure chart is still required please.

Action Bridgett

Further advice regarding what to do after a burglary i.e. not cleaning etc.

Action Paul

All other matters outstanding are agenda items.

Item 3 Neighbourhood Police/Safer Reports

- Successful 'warrant' in the Sandringham area.
- There has been a number of thefts from motor vehicles just outside our patch.
- Burglaries and anti-social behaviour are presently on the decline. However with the better weather comes the warning to not leave open windows and doors unattended.
- **Bromley Heath Schools.** Speeding in Quakers Road has not been an issue. However some parents were spoken to about parking on the bus stop and across driveways. This included one driver who had parked on the bus stop, part on pavement, engine left running and the window open with cash on the dashboard. It would appear that funding has been made available for a raised table outside the schools to reduce the speed of vehicles whilst passing the schools. However, it must be recognised that this is not a designated crossing place. This has been a problem at other schools.
- The law has slightly changed regarding **ASBOs**. Some information regarding this will be brought to our next meeting. **Action Katrina**
- Dog dirt is a dog warden issue not a police matter.
- BHNW have received a response from the householder in Fouracre Crescent following our letter back in February following the burglary. The letter contained information on the circumstances and a thank you to BHNW.
- **Safer Stronger Meeting** The next Meeting will be held 9th June 2015 at 7.00pm, Emersons Green Library.

Item 4

- **Heathfest 11/7/15** A double pitch has been requested against Rose's name. Bill will email a schedule of timings for everybody to pick a slot to 'man' the BHNW pitch on the day.
- **Annual Meeting** No progress at this time.
- **Parish Assembly** 30/4/15 7pm at Christchurch hall. (last one before new electorates voted in).

Item 5 Youth Survey

No update.

Item 6 SpeedWatch and GONE

No update but see item 8 in respect of GONE

Item 7 Avon and Somerset Watch

No progress.

Item 8 Lamppost Signs.

Even more need replacing following the recent high winds. Once the new tool has been purchased a date in May will be agreed for the big fix!

Action Bill and Darren

The parish council were not aware that the GONE money had not been spent and agreed it could be 'vired' to spend on new BHNW signs. Also the Council have taken the opportunity to tighten up checks on grant monies!

Item 9 Reports:

- **Newsletter** – Next draft will be sent to all committee members shortly to give opinions
- **Website/ Social Media**
Facebook
705 hits for the youth survey
878 hits re the rubbish lorry
- **PRO** – Still vacant. However, Graeme willing to take on if a replacement can be found for his patch.
- **Treasurer's Report.** Finances are as the report tabled. However they will be adjusted following receipt of advertising income received during this meeting.
Action Ron
- **Speed visor.** South Glos. has advised that speed data is sent to the local ward members and the Safer South Glos. Group who publish the data on the community speed watch webpage. However there is no active community speed watch group in the BHNW area and therefore nothing is published. A further useful contact is Brian Gaches and Bill and Graeme advised writing to him as we still want to see the information.
Action Rose
- **No Cold Caller update.** No grants are available and Rose is checking that the present cost of £1.40 per Household for the community doorstep control zone will be maintained at that price
Action Rose
- **Community Plan and THaT.** Quite apparent that the councillor was not interested in working with BHNW.
- **Committee Members. Common Interest items**

Ron

The stats in the newsletter for Heath Court are confusing as the householders are not aware of any crime in the cul de sac. This is the police computer incorrectly pinpointing and a comment will be included in the Newsletter along with Winsor Court and Glendale. In future Ron will send be sending invoices via email.

Graeme

The council have cut back the trees round the park and snake path. This has exposed a lot of rubbish which is now a potential fire hazard. Graeme is drafting a letter to the council about clearing it. It was suggested that they might use the Community Payback scheme to clear it.

Mick

A post office van regularly discards 20/30 elastic bands daily. Mick has tried to notify the Royal Mail. Not a deliberate act the van is full of them and when the doors open they fall out. Raise at the Safer Stronger Meeting
Action Bill

The DVD 'Think Jessica' is still being passed around the committee. Now with Richard.

There is now a national campaign on the radio called Scam Smart. Possible Newsletter item? **Action Bill**

Yet another scam to be aware of. A person purporting to be from BT rings and asks for payment of the outstanding telephone bill. To prove they are from BT they pretend to cut the line for a few minutes and ask the victim to call back. They actually stay on the line and respond to the caller as though it is a new call. The respondent is then tricked into giving their credit card details. Possible Newsletter item **Action Bill**

Welcome Packs

Lesley still requires 3 **Action Bill**

Item 10 AOB

Friends of the Park. Not sure who but somebody has requested funding for benches in the park.

Item 11 Next Meeting

Thursday 16th July 2015 7.45 at St Augustine's Church - Meeting Room

Meeting closed at 9.30 PM

Signed Bill Crocker
Chair