Nailsea Neighbourhood Watch Committee

Minutes of meeting on Tuesday 9th September 2014 at 19.30 at Community Room, Fire Station, Nailsea

1. Present / Apologies

Name	Pres	Apols
Peter Smith – Chairperson	Yes	
Mike West – Vice-Chairperson	Yes	
Colin Oliver – Treasurer	Yes	
Ian Mottram – Distribution Support	Yes	
Trevor Lyons	Yes	
Sue Lomax	No	Yes
Terry Thompson	No	No

1. Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the meeting on 3rd June were taken as read.

2. Matters arising from minutes

- 5.10 Identity cards & lanyards cfwd. ACTION: Trevor
- 4.6 Mike has established that we are no longer twinned with Cumberland Park, Australia. However, Terry Harbour will keep us up to date with any relevant news from the Adelaide area.
- 6.1 See item on CCTV Control Room below.

3. Use of the Community Room

- 3.1 The Fire Service is no longer providing free tea and coffee to cut costs.
- 3.2 We have been asked to make sure the outer door is closed securely when we leave.
- 3.3 Peter will contact Fire HQ to inform them of loud Air Conditioning and lack of signing in book. **ACTION:** Peter

4. Houses of Parliament trip

- 4.1 Our visit on 1st September was a great success. Several members have written to the Chairman with their thanks for a most interesting day.
- 4.2 The Chairman has approached Liam Fox's secretary for a date for another visit in the new year. He has been given a provisional date of Monday 9th February for two groups of 25 starting at 11:20am. It was agreed that priority should be given to those members who missed out last time. Places will have to be decided by a draw. Hopefully the date will be confirmed before the next public meeting. Peter will also write a letter of thanks to Blue Iris for our excellent driver Keith **ACTION: Peter**

5. Treasurer's report

- 5.1 Colin reported that our bank balance is £4,584.00. There is one cheque outstanding for £35 to the Air Ambulance. **ACTION: Peter** will follow up with his contact there.
- 5.2 Colin has completed a cash forecast until May 2015. He will extend it to September when subscriptions will again become due.
- 5.3 It was agreed to buy Bob Gilbert shopping vouchers as thanks for completing the 2013/14 accounts audit.

6. Visit to CCTV Control Room

6.1 We can visit the CCTV Control Centre in Weston during office hours, Monday to Friday. It was agreed that Mike will try for Wednesday 15th October. Mike will contact Sue and Terry to ask if they would like to attend. We will keep the visit to Committee only. **ACTION: Mike.**

7. Schemes

- 7.1 Peter reported that we now have 169 schemes with 3,901 members.
- 7.2 New Coordinators have been signed up for Heath Road and Kingsmead.

8. Newsletter

- 8.1 The next newsletter should be distributed within the next week.
- 8.2 The subscription moratorium has been highlighted on the front page.

9. Next public meeting

- 9.1 Mike will take the chair for this meeting as the Chairman will be on holiday.
- 9.2 Our guest speaker will be Mrs Mary Prior MBE JP , Lord Lieutenant of the City & County of Bristol.

10. Guest speakers for 2015

- 10.1 The Chairman suggested: The Nailsea & Backwell Macular Support Group; Olympic Torch bearer; Police Firearms Unit; Clevedon Pier; Police & Crime Commissioner.
- 10.2 It was agreed the speakers should be prioritised as follows:

Police & Crime Commissioner

Police Firearms Unit

Clevedon Pier

Olympic Torch bearer

Macular Support Group

10.3 The Chairman will approach these people later in the year. **Action: Peter**

11. Ideas for Christmas Social

- 11.1 It was thought we should keep the format the same as last year.
- 11.2 Full discussion at the next Committee meeting.

12. Any other Business

- 12.1 Ian told us that John Woods was seriously ill in hospital and suggested we send a card from NHW. Ian needs 6 Cold Caller door stickers. **Action: Peter**
- 12.2 Colin Basson
- 12.3 Mike
- 12.4 Trevor
- 12.5 Colin Oliver

13. Next meeting

The next meeting will be Tuesday 11th November at Nailsea Fire Station starting at 07:30pm.

Meeting closed at 8:30 pm