

HAYLE AREA PLAN PARTNERSHIP
COMMUNITY WELL-BEING DELIVERY GROUP

MINUTES OF MEETING

12 JUNE 2007

MEETING OF COMMUNITY WELLBEING GROUP WITH INSPECTOR JEAN PHILLIPS AND HAYLE POLICE NEIGHBOURHOOD TEAM.

Those present. - Cllr John Coombe (Group Chairman) Cllr John Bennett (Hayle Town Council/Penwith District Council. Cllr John Pollard (Hayle Town Council/Chairman HAPP) Barry and Sandra Bird (Loggans Estate) Carol Winterburn (St Mary's Gardens) Roger Winterburn (Community Agent HAPP)

John Stephens (Brookway) Ray Wyse (Penpol Terrace) Tatia Mitchell & Sally Newby (PDC) Jim Wright (Treasurer HAPP and Hayle Chamber of Commerce) Gary Cording (St Georges Rd.) David Raymer (Chairman Hayle Day Care Centre) Nick Skuse (Reawla) Jenny Reese (Manageress Spar Hayle)

Mary Bryon-Edmond (Albertus Rd) Kath Jewell (Hayle Bowling Club) Margaret Tanner (Footsteps Penpol Terrace)

The Chairman, Cllr Coombe, welcomed everyone and invited the police representatives to address the meeting.

Officers present were: Inspector Jean Phillips, Sgt Simon Dobson (Team sergeant) Copperhouse/Gwinear Beat Manager Phil Rowland. Foundry PCSO Jenny Hosking and Copperhouse PCSO Kevin Youngman. PC Graham Trevorrow would be joining the team on the 19th of June as Foundry Beat Manager

Sgt Dobson reminded the meeting that Devon & Cornwall Constabulary had a new Chief Constable in Steven Otter

He then gave an outline of how the force was split up and how many officers were involved overall.

Hayle policing does not include St.Erth, which comes under the banner of St Ives.

Last year in Hayle there were 1092 recorded crimes, roughly 3 per day.

There were 3200 reported incidents.

There are targets that Hayle force needs to observe

A quarter of all crime was related to criminal damage.

Visitors were often victims of crime mostly due to carelessness by leaving items visible in cars etc.

Hayle force worked with the Fire service in the Hayle Safe project, which was very popular.

Phil Rowland explained his job as Beat Manager for Copperhouse//Gwinear The increase of population due to the holiday parks made life more difficult. He stressed the need for communication within the force and with the visitors.

The role of a Youth Intervention Officer was mentioned. There had been a dispersal order in Reawla which worked well

Kevin Youngman has joined the force as Police Community Support Officer from the Isles of Scilly

He pointed out that he has a different uniform with light blue epaulettes. His aim is to meet and talk to the community and urged members to speak to him and to his colleague Jenny Hosking. They do not have standard police powers but can issue parking tickets in certain cases.

THE MEETING WAS THEN OPENED TO QUESTIONS

Sandra and Barry Bird highlighted the serious situation on the Loggans estate. Vandalism and graffiti are rife and many people are frightened to leave their homes in the evenings. Some of the graffiti had been directed personally at Sandy and there was seemingly precious little help from the Housing Association

Inspector Phillips said that this was the first time for 3 years that Hayle had a full compliment of officers. As well as calling 999 it was suggested that the public should take photographs before and after events if possible. This did not infringe civil liberties

Ray Wyse asked if the mobile phones made available to the force were in use. They are in use but not always available.

The subject of ASBO's was raised. One individual had received an order after extensive work by the police and a decision made by the Penwith officer dealing with the subject. That person was currently in custody for breaking the order.

Ray Wyse asked if head cameras fitted to a police helmet were in use. Inspector Phillips said that a trial had been run in Plymouth and we might have them shortly

Jenny Reese, Manageress of Spar Hayle highlighted the problem of youths gathering outside the shop - sometimes as many as 30 people. She mentioned that the shop had a "mosquito" fitted, which emits a high pitch noise and is supposed to affect young people only and cause them to disperse. This had not been very effective.

Kath Jewell said that the Bowling Club also had problems with vandalism and highly disruptive behaviour by young people.

Inspector Phillips explained the problem with manpower. Despite Hayle's lack of resources. Last year officers were deployed to Newquay as it was deemed they were needed there. Hopefully this will not be the case this year.

David Raymer a former member of the Devon & Cornwall force added that little seemed to have change over the past 25 years and that the only difference was in job description. As Chairman of the Day Care Centre he stressed the need to consider all age groups in police work, particularly the elderly, as they are very vulnerable.

There was some discussion over the Neighbourhood Panel regarding policing and who should be involved. No decision was reached but good communication between police and public was the main object.

Cllr John Coombe thanked Inspector Phillips and her team and hope that the meeting had been mutually beneficial.