

Notes from Tavistock Matters

20th November 2019

Tavistock Police Office

Present: Insp Mark Sloman, Louisa Daley, Rob Palmer, Roger Bird, PCSO Williams, Carl Hearn, Cllr Hipsey, Cllr Moody, Cllr Parker, Cllr Johnson, Cllr Smith, Cllr Squires,

Apologies: John Ward, Cllr Ellis, Cllrs Ewings

Notes from the last meeting dated 4th September 2019:

Action b/f: MS to chase figures on RTC's – link to SH Speedwatch initiative.

All other actions from the previous meeting have been completed.

Speeding:

AJ raised the issue of cars speeding around Crelake Close in the early hours of the morning (0300 hours) also resident reporting seeing torches in her garden at the same sort of time. MS advised that this should be a 999 call, Police were unaware of speeding concerns in that area and further reports should be made to Police who will attend and investigate as appropriate.

Speedwatch:

SH advised that Cllr Spettigue from West Devon Borough Council was leading on this piece of work closely with PCSO Williams. KW has advised on the process of the scheme. An update for the next meeting would be helpful.

Action: LD to include in the agenda for 12th February 2020

Action: LD to request assistance from WDBC Communications team about a PR on this when it is launched

Vulnerable People:

SH raised the recent issues with a French national male and that a possible protocol to be arranged through the housing team.

Action: LD to speak with Steph and Isabel from Housing following contact with Leader Cllr Jury.

County Lines:

MS reported that a lot of police work including higher level police investigations have taken place over the last few months with regard County Lines. There had been a few warrants and it is hoped that there will be a reduction in this crime, police will continue to monitor and we will have an update at the next meeting.

Action: LD to include County Lines on the next agenda for 12th February 2020

Public Houses in Tavistock:

Concerns have been raised about a public house in Tavistock on the periphery of the town. Police are aware and are working with the landlord to reduce this.

General Police Update:

MS ran through latest crime data which shows an 18% reduction in crime based on year on year figures.

There are occasional blips in relation to the evening and night time economy but this can rarely be planned for due to the nature of crimes ie stag parties etc but generally the night time economy in Tavistock poses no problem to the police.

Street Pastor Update:

RP thanked those who attended the 10th anniversary of the Street Pastors in Tavistock in December.

RP advised that the Street Pastors were seeing fewer people in the evening and night time economy than in previous year which is reflective nationally. Tavistock Street Pastors have started day patrols to engage and interact with older people who may be vulnerable due to isolation/frailty. A discussion about people with Dementia and their vulnerability was had.

Action: LD to send RP the Herbert Protocol information.

School Pastors:

RB updated that the school lunch time is only for 30 minutes so there is less opportunity to engage with students. That said this new timetable seems to be going well. The atmosphere at the College is now a lot more positive than it was a few years ago. The College are very supportive of the School Pastors and the feedback is all very positive.

Reminder about the Partnership Sharing Intelligence Form:

Can be found on this link, please save this to your favourites on your desktop for ease of use:

<https://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/contact/contact-forms/partner-agency-information-sharing-form/>

Please note that this is for yourselves as Councillors, partner agencies and stakeholders only, this is not a form to be completed by members of the public.

Next meeting:

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 12th February at 1630 – 1800 hours at Tavistock Police Office

Thank you for attending this meeting. If you have any suggestions for the agenda then please email Louisa.Daley@swdevon.gov.uk

