

Report on Swanland Neighbourhood Watch Meeting
22 June 2017

PCSOs Barbara Danby and Steve Lynch were unable to attend due to their duty rosters.

Jim Willson has retired as a street coordinator for Tranby Lane.

Reports of incidents

Street coordinators reported the following:

Problems with speeding cars in Mill Road and Main Street. This is under investigation by the Parish Council.

Money had been lost from a bank account following a 'Microsoft computer problem' scam

NHW and no-cold calling signs have disappeared from On Hill following the replacement of lamp posts.

The Swanland Coordinator reported the following:

Humberdale Close April 2017; a woman was selling manure door-to-door in breach of the No Cold Calling Zone

Haldenby Court May 2017; a resident reported telephone calls regarding 'Homeguard' suggesting they had signed a contract for call blocking for nuisance calls and seeking further payments. First 4 numbers of their TSB card recited to them (NB the first 4 numbers are standard on all cards from the same bank). Recognised it as a scam.

Westfield Lane/West End Junction May 2017; 2 suspicious men were seen looking over a garden fence. A wire device, used for breaking into cars, was later found on the drive. No damage was done and nothing was stolen.

A reminder was given to report any suspicious activity straight away on 101 or via Humberside Police Website.

Police reports

The latest 'crime maps' on www.police.uk, up to March 2017, were used to produce a list, which had been confirmed as correct by PCSO Lynch. No more recent information was available.

Information on Street Coordinators

A list compiling the information that street coordinators have agreed to be placed on the village website was circulated. This would be sent to Graham Latter to include on NHW website entry.

SVA Welcome Packs for new neighbours

These were available for street representatives, who had requested them prior to the meeting, to distribute. Street Coordinators were asked to look out when walking around the village etc for new people moving in and to let Deborah Parry know, including the address (house number and road) to avoid duplication.

Feedback from the last meeting

No Cold Calling signs have finally been erected for The Paddock.

The Dale Road 'Commons Act 2006 Notice' had been raised at last meeting. There are ERYC notices on Dale Road signed by the ERYC solicitor. This process is designed to stop applications being made for the land to be registered as 'a green', which could happen if there was a recreational use of the land for 20 continuous years.

The notice is a device to bring to an end a period of 'as of right' recreational use over the land in question so that, instead of the clock continuing to run and getting towards 20 years, after the notice is given the clock starts again from 0 years. If another notice is issued before 20 years from the first notice is up then the clock will again stop and will start again at 0.

Recreational use can, therefore, continue without the landowner being concerned that, by permitting it, there is a risk that the status of the land could change. It is assumed that people can still continue using the land as they have done in the past for dog-walking etc.

The EY Council Website has copies of the relevant forms and the map showing the area concerned see

<http://www2.eastriding.gov.uk/leisure/countryside-and-walks/public-rights-of-way/section-15a-register/?entryid113=652889>

Matters to report

East Yorkshire Matters:

A new Humber Watch Association had been formed, with a press release about it from Humberside Police. More information on this is likely after the first meeting of representatives.

Local Warnings

Recent warnings about suspicious vehicles and persons seen in the Kirk Ella and West Ella areas had been circulated:

- Motor bike: Black Suzuki 125 YY60AMX seen very early in the morning on a driveway, early June.
- A white transit van reg No NL52DVC with 3 males in it seen around Kirkella, early June, previously in Hessle in May. Goes around 'tattooing'.
- Silver 2 door Ford Fiesta, seen late evening in West Ella on 13 June. 3 Male occupants, seen climbing over fences. Humberside Police has asked for anyone seeing it acting suspiciously to report it on 101 or 999 if a crime is in progress.

National NHW information – information was given about:

- Friends against scams
- 60 second check list on leaving the house
- Cyber awareness – including ransomware safety

(A link is provided on the Village Website to the June National NHW Newsletter which has quite a lot of useful information in it.)

If you have an unknown telephone caller the number can be checked on www.whocallsme.com.

Date of next meeting:

Thursday 19 October 2017 at 7.30 pm in Church Hall.