

MINUTES OF CHORLEY LIAISON

MEETING DATE Wednesday, 19 October 2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillor Gordon France (Eastern Parishes) (Chair), Councillor Kim Snape (Chorley Rural East Division, Lancashire County Council) (Vice-Chair), Lancashire County Councillors: Julia Berry, Chorley Borough Councillors (Chairs of Neighbourhood Area Meetings): Alistair Bradley and Alan Platt Town and Parish Councillors: Terry Dickenson, Ian Horsfield, Graham Ashworth, Christine Bailey, Tim Blackburn, Barbara Farbon, John McAndrew, Debra Platt, Alan Cornwell and Bev Speers

OFFICERS: Jennifer Mullin (Director of Communities) and Coral Astbury (Democratic and Member Services Officer)

APOLOGIES: Lancashire County Councillors: Aidy Riggott Chorley Borough Councillors: Aaron Beaver and Danny Gee Town and Parish Councillors: Katrina Reed

11 Welcome by the Chair

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

12 Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 20 July 2022 of Chorley Liaison

The minutes were agreed as a correct record.

13 Introduction and Update from Lancashire Constabulary

Inspector Mike Moyes from Lancashire Constabulary attended the meeting and gave a short introduction on his work as Geographical Inspector for Chorley and South Ribble.

Inspector Moyes explained that anti-social behaviour was the top priority for the neighbourhood policing teams over the next few weeks and there would be an enhance police operation over mischief night and bonfire nights.

The following points were raised by members:

- Neighbourhood teams work from 8AM-10PM during the week, with teams working until 2AM on weekends. Response teams worked 24/7 and Leyland Police Station had now been re-opened as an operating base.

- Inspector Moyes advised that if something were occurring which was immediate risk to life and limb parishes would need to ring 999. If they had an issue where they needed to get through to the control room, but it was not an emergency they could dial 101. However, if there was concern within the community that had been raised and Parishes wanted advice, they could contact their local PCSO and Community Beat Managers. Inspector Moyes advised he would link Parishes with the correct officers for their area.
- The best way for members to report things anonymously is to use Crime Stoppers. If you access this service via email or telephone you can report anonymously, and the Police will act on information received.
- Members commented that it would be good to have posters for noticeboards with their local officers details on. Inspector Moyes agreed to look into this.
- Inspector Moyes advised members they could go out with local PCSO's to sign people up to In The Know and asked members to get in contact if they wanted to do this.
- Officers were unable to commit to monthly PACT meetings due to resources, however should there be an ad hoc issue officers may be able to attend a meeting with residents.
- The Police take road safety seriously and do rely on community roadblocks and tac ops. More information on SPIDS and 20mph speed limits would be provided to members.

Actions:

1. Parish Councils will receive the email addresses for Police Officers who work within their area, which would give more accessibility to parishes.
2. The contact details for Inspector Moyes would be circulated to Parish Clerks by the Democratic and Member Services Officer.
3. More information on SPIDS, 20mph speed limits and general road safety from Lancashire Constabulary would be circulated to Parish Clerks by the Democratic and Member Services Officer.

14 Active Travel Consultation

The Director of Communities introduced this item and explained the consultation sought to gain information on how people get to work and to identify any issues which may be preventing them from cycling or walking.

Members commented it was the first time they had seen the consultation and it may have been helpful for the Council to email the consultation to Parish Clerks in advance.

15 Item requested by Adlington Town Council

This item was introduced by Bev Speers (Adlington PC) who explained Adlington had met with Heath Charnock Parish Council to look at a joint approach. Adlington Parish Council had two areas where they would like to place SPIDS and asked if any other Parishes had any successful initiatives they could share.

The Director of Communities explained the lead officer within the authority was the Neighbourhood Priorities Officer who was currently looking at projects. Officers would work with the public protection team and look to share ideas on the use around the district.

Barbara Farbon (Bretherton PC) explained they had a SPID for a long time, and it was moved around the village. The SPID had obtained good data, for example vehicles on North Road doing 100mph at 3:30pm. Barbara offered to put Adlington in touch with the individual who manages their SPID.

Councillor Bradley explained that the Police were struggling to enforce speeding due to resource cuts and it was difficult to get officers into Chorley. The Council would be keen to support Parishes through work they are doing and can look to support communities doing things themselves.

Councillor Bradley advised that officers would collate the information from LCC and would put an article in the next In The Boro. Councillor Debra Platt agreed to circulate the information which had been provided to Parish Councils to the Democratic and Member Services Officer. Officers would also look towards creating a best practice guide on SPID devices and rule changes to be provided to Parishes.

Councillor Debra Platt advised that Lancashire County Council (LCC) were revisiting their policy on SPID's claiming that after six months the device would need to be moved. This would ensure that permanent SPID fixtures would be able to remain in place.

Councillor Bradley referred to Inspector Moyes and explained the Police had offered to speak to their Traffic Officer in Preston. Councillor Bradley would request the traffic officer to attend a future meeting of Chorley Liaison.

16 Item requested by Euxton Parish Council

Councillor Bradley responded to the question and explained the process was nearly finished. It is proposed the preferred options would go to each of the three Council's in the first two weeks of December.

The consultation will run for six weeks and will be done with schools and in every Parish with plans put into all libraries and council owned buildings. Residents would also be able to reply using a variety of methods. Parishes would be given a briefing before the consultation.

The Director of Communities advised that Officers had offered to come to the next Chorley Liaison meeting in January to go through the plans and consultation.

17 Questions from Members of the Liaison and the public

The following questions were raised:

- High School Places on the future agenda – it was agreed this item would go on the March agenda. Information provided to Councillors regarding School Places would be disseminated to Parish Councils.
- Attendance of County Councillors at Parish Council meetings.
- Update on the boundary review.

18 Items for Future Meetings

The Chair advised the agenda for January was already substantial and any additional items would be considered for a future meeting.

19 Any urgent business previously agreed with the Chair

The Chair advised he had received an item under A.O.B and explained to members that there had been supply issues with the Royal British Legion (RBL) providing poppies for lampposts.

The Council had found an alternative supplier and were happy to share their details, Parishes would be expected to make an additional contribution to RBL.

Chair

Date