Minutes of the High Street Ward SNT Meeting held at **The Mall Walthamstow** 15 July 2014

Philip Herlihy, Chair Present

Sergeant Jay Champion (JC) PC Matt Fletcher (MF)

Michelle Finn, Ops Manager, The Mall Sandra da Costa (SdC), Stop & Search Themi Kyprianou – Ascham Homes

Norman Minter, Resident

Tommy Anderson (TA), Resident Gavin Foster, Catch 22 & The Limes

Harry Constantiou

Apologies Liaquat Ali

> Frances Shoesmith Mahmood Hussain Katy Andrews Caramel Quinn Jeff Fernandez Nelia Cetin Bob Wheatley

Irene Picton

Circulation SNT

Point	Details	Action
1.	Introduction & Welcome Meeting opened at 7:00pm	
	The Chair gave a brief overview of these meetings as we welcomed two new members to the group –	
	Gavin Foster of Catch 22 and The Limes, together with Harry Constantiou who is a young person using The Limes.	
	Gavin, a Volunteer, gave a brief overview of Catch 22 — it is a company that was set up some 15-20 years ago to work with young offenders who have been released back in to the community and helping them adjust and make a better life for themselves. They work closely with Social Workers and the Better Way Partnership.	
	A reminder was also given to the group that due to the sensitivity / confidential nature of discussions during the course of these meetings, content should not be shared externally.	
2.	Minutes of Previous Meeting The previous minutes were agreed with the following updates noted :	
	 Sgt Champion advised the group that one of the offenders who was arrested for illegal cigarette sales has now been charged. The Police Team are continuing to pursue the other offenders. 	
	Please remember the Police have very good links with The Licencing Team at Waltham Forest and Trading Standards, therefore any suspicious activity should be reported via the 101 number and will be followed up.	
	The Cash Point distractions reported at last meeting continue to be investigated, further updates will be provided at next meeting.	JC

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting (Cont'd)

 Sgt Champion advised that The Borough were around 30 Officers short of the targeted 119 however recruitment is ongoing and further information will be provided at next meeting.

JC

3. Promises & Updates from previous meeting

- Personal Theft
- Street Drinkers

Crime Figures (12 week reporting period)

Burglary down from 29 to 15 Robbery down from 22 to 15 Motor Vehicle Crime down from 30 to 22

The Pulse Patrols and Digital Mapping in hot spot areas continue to have a positive impact on crime as highlighted in the figures reported above.

It was noted that there are plans for an Operation within the next few weeks to target Personal Theft. An update will be given at next meeting.

70 S27 notices issued

6 arrests relating to Street Drinking

55 arrests for varying offences (fraud, handling stolen goods, drugs etc)

Successful Court Case whereby Street Drinker has now been issued with a 2 year ban.

The Team are also pleased to report that one of the homeless persons they have been dealing with has now been found accommodation in Havering. They continue to work closely with London Street Rescue and CALB to support the homeless where possible.

Finally, please note that PC Matt Fletcher is now holding "surgeries" for members of the Public once per week at Costa Coffee in The Mall and Jesses Café at Buxton Road on alternate Tuesdays at 10am. The next surgery is being held Tuesday 22.7.14 at Costa.

4. Ward Promises Going Forward

The Ward Promises for the next period are:

- Street Drinkers
- Personal Theft

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Telephone Scam

Phil Herlihy reported information relating to a new telephone scam whereby Victims are being contacted in the middle of the night by someone reporting to be a Police Officer and advising that their home has been targeted by thieves. The victims are then advised that someone is being dispatched to take away their valuable items for safe keeping. Please note as a warning.

5	AOB (Cont'd)	
	Tenby Court Themi Kyprianou advised that there were still some issues at Tenby Court but that plans were still progressing for railings which will hopefully resolve these. Themi and PC Matt Fletcher continue to visit the location and talk to residents regularly. It was noted that there does not appear to be any issues at other Ascham Homes properties.	
	Neighbourhood Watch Schemes These Schemes are continuing to grow which is good news. The latest one being set up by Stuart Moore for Campbell Road (High St/William-Morris wards).	
	Future Events – Sunday 3 August 2014 Tommy Anderson advised the group of a planned event to combine campaigning for Residents to support the possible funding of £1m for St James Street whereby wish lists on how to spend the funding are needed together with commemorating 100 years since the start of the 1 st World War.	
	It is planned to hold a Tea Party with Pop Up Stalls along the High Street between 1pm and 4pm. The British Legion and Scottish Pipe Band will be in attendance with a Jazz Band also playing. More information and flyers will be available shortly.	
	Erskine Road Tommy also mentioned that a site in Erskine Road is shortly to become available and this may be an ideal location for a Youth Club. Although this falls within William Morris Ward the whole group agreed this is a great opportunity. Phil Herlihy advised that the best person to liaise with would be Claire Coghill who will be able to connect Tommy with the new cabinet member for Children and Young People.	ТА
	Survey Sandra da Costa confirmed that a Survey was due to be issued shortly to schools in the Borough asking how safe young people feel. Sandra will report back at next meeting.	SdC
	Future Meeting Dates A plea to have more advance dates for future meetings as setting and confirming with all members is becoming more difficult.	JC/MF
6.	Date of Next Meeting TBC	All