

NOTES of AREA FORUM EAST

11 June 2013

The Area Forum East met at 6.30pm Michael Drayton Junior School, Hartshill

Present: Councillor Forwood - Chair

Councillors Davis, L Dirveiks, N Dirveiks and Wykes.

In Attendance: A Rigby, T De Kretser, Gill Colbourne - Warwickshire CC
PC Carter, PCSOs L Udall, A Wynder, – Warks Police
J McPhail – Office of Police & Crime Commissioner
T McLoughlin, J Logan, S Boulton – Balfour Beatty
M Shaw – Atherstone TC
T Hopkins – Mancetter PC
A Beacham – Bentley & Merevale PC
D McMurdo, J McMurdo, D Allton, R Finch, Tracey Douglas,
J Arrowsmith

1. **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Johnston, J Marshall, Councillor McLauchlan, Councillor Pickard and J Randle.

2. **Notes and Matters Arising of the meeting held on 5 February 2013**

Notes of the previous meeting were agreed.

3. **Police Update**

PCSO Udall presented the Safer Neighbourhoods Team update. The following comments were made:

- No noticeable change in crime or fear of crime reported since part-time street lighting came into effect across the county. WCC is monitoring the effects of the switch. WCC to look at lighting for Manor Road, Mancetter
- Atherstone: parking around Market Street, HGVs using the archway at the top of Market Square.
- Number of HGVs passing through Mancetter
- Off road motorbikes: St George Road & Royal Meadow Drive, Atherstone
- Domehawk camera effective above entrance to Hartshill Hayes although motorcyclists now using entrance behind cemetery.
- Carlyon Road Industrial estate: staggered deliveries by Balfour Beatty, Sandwich factory, Autoquip and others has made a huge difference to traffic flow.

Three priorities chosen:

Priority: ASB around Market Square and St Mary's Church, Atherstone

Priority: HGV & speeding – Ridge Lane, nr Atherstone

Priority: Off road motorbikes – Hartshill Hayes, Cemetery, The Woodlands, Hartshill.

Mobile Library Service consultation

G Colbourne outlined the County Council's proposal to streamline the mobile library service in line with efficiency savings. Consultation runs from 20 May to 31 July. Lead officer is Andrew McDonald tel. 01926 476938
Email mobileenquiries@warwickshire.gov.uk

4. West Coast Power Supply Improvements - Atherstone Station

T McLoughlin and J Logan informed of 9 new sub-stations being installed between Wembley and Crew, including sites at Nuneaton and Atherstone. Further information was given about the work schedule for the Atherstone site off Minions Close.

Details were given of a Sustainability Action Plan to help engage with communities. Two projects were considered: a roof over the ticket machine at Atherstone station and improvements to the local play area off Minions Close.

5. Tell us your issues

Fly tipping – Steppey Lane, Mancetter.

Request for removal of razor-wire around NWBC Sheepy Road Depot

Contact Canal & River Trust about future of former site of Rothen's Coal Yard, Coventry Canal, Atherstone.

6. Representation on Outside Bodies, NWBC

Borough Councillors agreed to reappoint the current membership:

Hartshill Hayes Country Park Advisory Committee – Cllr Wykes, sub. Cllr Johnston
Rowan Organisation – Cllr Forwood

7. Any Other Business

Temporary fencing down again around Mancetter Playing fields

8. Suggestions for items / themes for next meeting

News / plans for redevelopment of QE School, Atherstone

9. Date of next meeting

Thursday, 12 September 2013