



CAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

District of South Cambridgeshire

Notes from the meeting held on Thursday 24th September 2015

In attendance: Cllr Mrs R Poulton, Chairman of Leisure and Amenities Committee
John Vickery, Parish Clerk
Liz Pinchen, Deputy Parish Clerk
Hannah Watson, Volunteer Co-ordinator, Office of the Cambridgeshire
Police & Crime Commissioner

The Parish Clerk confirmed that Tuesday evenings in the Blue School can be identified as an available venue for the Police Cadets. Sessions will aim to start on 12th January 2016 and run from 7pm – 9pm.

Contact needs to be made with Comberton and Cambourne Village Colleges. Crime vulnerable children will be identified via the police, the youth workers and Locality teams.

Hannah Watson is organising an advertising campaign to recruit adult volunteers then cadets. The Parish will assist with this by placing posters on the notice boards and on their Facebook page and website.

Ex police officers Neil Jeffries and Graham Allen were identified as possible volunteers along with Karl Secker. Hannah confirmed that she has two serving Police Officers who have expressed an interest in volunteering.

A date and venue for the Passing Out Parade needs to be arranged. This can be done informally at the usual meeting or as a more formal occasion at a separate venue and time. It was suggested holding this on Monday 2nd May 2016 (Bank Holiday Monday) however this may need to be changed to an earlier date due to purdah restrictions.

Hannah is due to meet with Chief inspector James Sutherland to report on progress.

A termly report of activities and achievements will be sent to the Parish Council and Hannah will also produce a project plan.

Volunteering opportunities for the Cadets need to be identified ready for when they have completed their initial training and passed out. Possible options are Café 19, School After School Clubs, Funfair monitoring, 10K run, and projects such a litter pick.

Fundraising opportunities will also be identified.

Hannah confirmed that all safeguarding policies and procedures are in place and are very rigorous.

Once the Unit is established there will be opportunities for inter unit competitions with other Police Cadet units and with other uniformed groups within Cambourne. There are also opportunities for intergenerational events such as an open Bowls session with the Bowls Club.