

# Stratfield Mortimer Parish Council

Full council meeting 13/10/2022

## Agenda item 22/070 5: Burghfield and Mortimer (etc.) Neighbourhood Action Group Report

### 1: Intro

Details of the NAG's role are on the council web site. Cllr Bridgman is the chair this year, Royce Longton having stood down but remaining as a member.

### 2: Crime figures

Thames Valley Police report of crime figures 20/07/2022 to 28/09/2022

Crime type	Burghfield	Mortimer	Beech Hill	Sulhamstead	Wokefield	Ufton Nervet	Padworth
ASB	9	2	0	1	0	1	1
Criminal Damage	1	4	0	0	0	0	0
Theft from motor vehicle	1	0	1	0	2	0	1
Theft of motor vehicle	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Burglary dwelling	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Burglary non dwelling	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Theft	4	1	1	2	1	0	0
Assault injury / non injury	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	17	8	2	3	4	1	2

## **2.1: Summary**

The figures are suggested to be average for the time of year reflecting a seasonable increase in outdoor anti-social behaviour. In response to a question, the police suggested that the crime level is low in Mortimer relative to other parts of the country.

## **3: Reports from parishes**

### **3.1: Wokefield**

Evidence of an accident at Goring Lane/James Lane, based on road being closed. TVP to follow up and provide details.

Witnesses report vans loading and unloading at Wokefield Common car park. TVP suspect his may be parcel delivery drivers.

### **3.2: Mortimer**

Off road bikes and fairground vandalism were discusses (see section 4).

### **3.3: Burghfield**

A youth was found to have stolen items from the Burghfest. The CCTV assisted in identification (see also section 4).

### **3.4: Sulhampstead and Ufton**

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### **3.5: Padworth**

No report/attendance

## **4: CCTV**

Burghfield reported that the system at the rec. has recently been upgraded. The police recommend its deployment because it provides a date and time of incidents. Signs need to be deployed, but there should be no need for additional lighting. It's important

for the system to give clear images, as the Burghfield one does. They cited examples where it has provided evidence relating to incidents at the Burghfield and suggested it would have been beneficial to allow investigation of the incidents at Mortimer fairground. A member of the public attended to voice an objection that they did not wish to be filmed and thought that cameras were inappropriate for a village. Cllrs Wells and Carter to progress the topic.

## **5: Speeding**

The police ran a speed trap at Catherine's Hill recently at my request and issued two tickets. They ran a trap in Burghfield, clocking one driver doing 70mph in a 40mph zone – and accelerating. The police confirmed they will repeat this at known hot spots identified by the NAG as time permits.

## **6: e scooters**

Incidents of e scooters on pavements were reported. This is a national problem and is illegal. The police will tackle offenders if they witness it. It was mentioned, somewhat tongue in cheek, that villages could (have) set up a scheme to permit their use, including perhaps by police.

## **7: Pavement parking**

The police have advised that in response to concerns raised they can and will tackle motorists for pavement parking. Offenders would need to be found committing an offence. Residents are invited to provide photos of the offending vehicles and note the time and location and date then the police will make contact with the owner and offer advice.

## **8: Next meeting**

Weds Nov 23 19.00 Longton Hall, Burghfield Village Hall RG7 3EN.

Cllrs Nick Carter and John Wells 30/9/22