

Burghfield & Mortimer Neighbourhood Action Group

Meeting of September 28 2022 at St John's Village Hall Mortimer

Committee Present:

Nick Carter : SMPC Councillor/ Vice Chair BNAG

Geoff Mayes: WBC District Councillor

Dudley Ives: Mortimer Neighbourhood Action Group.

Richard Coles: Mortimer Neighbourhood Action Group.

Robert Hubbard-Clarke: TVP.

Georgia Dimes: TVP

John Wells: Stratfield Mortimer Parish Councillor,

David Gurney: Wokefield P.C

Member of the Public: Annie Welch.

1. Welcome:

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies for Absence:

Graham Bridgman, Penee Chopping, Tim Ansell, Liz Penston, Ross Mackinnon

3. Minutes of the last meeting:

Deemed correct.

4 .Matters Arising:

(See Item 5)

4 .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 Nerve	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

5. Reports from Member Parishes:

Wokefield: incidents with noise and unsociable behaviour with the riders using quad bikes. Also, suspicious vehicle behaviour in the car park, which the police suggested is likely to be delivery drivers moving goods between vehicles. The police took the action to establish the details of a recent accident on the Goring/James Lane junction, as the road had been shut and this spot is a long standing concern locally.

Mortimer: vandalism on fairground, and in relation to possible introduction of CCTV. It was reported that Mortimer aims soon to

deploy both a new speed indicating device – to deter speeding – and a “automatic number plate recognition” camera, at the known speeding spots in the village. The latter is capable of issuing warning letters to speeding motorists. The police noted that the crime level in Mortimer in the reported period is relatively low compared to surrounding areas/seasonal average.

Beech Hill: nothing to report.

6. CCTV Mortimer fairground:

The first suggestion of CCTV for Mortimer was in the parish plan of circa 2011. It was raised again in 2016 and was included as a question on the 2017 Neighbourhood Plan consultation, receiving majority support.

A member of the public she felt it just “*wasn’t right*” that CCTV should be installed and able to monitor/record everything within an area, for example the exercise equipment. It was suggested that strict measures would control the viewing of content which would *only* be viewed retrospectively after an incident has been reported.

The parish council have obtained details of the Burghfield common system and will discuss further with them. Richard Coles asked that the topic be added to the next parish council meeting agenda.

Robert Hubbard Clarke commented that the newly installed CCTV System in Burghfield was working very well and that in general TVP are encouraged by installation of CCTV as has been done in other areas of West Berkshire.

He commented on the use of the hand held speed gun, as deployed recently used along Clayhill Road, recording a speed of circa 70 mph in a 40mph limit. The motorist was stopped. As reported on social media, two offenders were fined at Catherine’s Hill Mortimer, following the NAG request to deploy there.

8. Any Other Business

None.

9. Date of next meeting

**WEDNESDAY Nov 23 7pm
Longton Hall, Burghfield village hall, Hollybush Lane.**