

**Little Kingshill Village Society**

**Minutes of the Annual General Meeting**  
**Held on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at 8.15pm**  
**At Little Kingshill Village Hall**

**Presentation:** *Neighbourhood Watch and the Spring Burglary Campaign*

**Speaker:** Police Sergeant Nicky Upton, Neighbourhood Policing Team spoke about the following areas:

**Seasonal burglaries**

- Spring – sheds, garages left open; equipment out; how to make safe; mark garden equipment.
- Summer – windows open
- Winter – break-ins during late afternoon/early evening when getting dark.

**Car crime**

- Items on display attract crime, hide valuables; Clear Car Campaign; theft of catalytic converters, garages can mark them.

**Neighbourhood Watch**

- sharing information; recognising out of the ordinary
- Co-ordinator of area will advise residents about scams and what to look out for.
- Neighbourhood Police Team put out information through Thames Valley Alert.
- NHW window stickers, signs for road, 'no cold caller' signs deter burglars.

Nicky was asked what to do when alarms go off on cars and property? If secure, ignore but if damage caused phone 101 (includes all emergency services not only Police). Do not put self in danger; if confront intruders need to justify your actions (reasonable and proportionate).

**Speeding** Nicky also answered many questions put forward about speeding in the area:

- Speed tubes, speed guns, tickets v education? PC's working on road safety in schools and safe school parking.
- Need reduction in speed at Chiltern Hospital exit to A413? Roundabout considered only if accident blackspot. Most people pull out carefully.
- Speed enforcement? Only on 30 and 40mph.
- Motorbike racing/speeding locally? Very noisy but safety in being heard; Speed restriction devices fitted to bikes; putting awareness out to motorbike enthusiasts.
- Could Deep Mill Lane be made one way as so narrow? Benefits but inconvenience. Restrict large vehicles? Weight limits and enforcement down to TfB. 30mph rather than 60mph limit? Again would have to tackle with TfB.
- 20mph speed limits would help in this area? Oxfordshire villages do. Enforcement ie. self-policing required. Signs and village gates help.

Nicky explained Community Speed Watch. Some volunteers have trained in LK. LMPC will provide training.

Nicky Upton and Chris Ging are both part of the Neighbourhood Policing Team based in Great Missenden (see Thames Valley Police website).

NHW information was available at the meeting and Sandra MacDonald encouraged the meeting to consider signing up. LK is short of co-ordinators.

Following the presentation there was a break for wine and nibbles.

### **Apologies**

Around 33 people (including Committee Members) attended the AGM.

20 apologies were received as follows: Helen Biggerstaff, Jon and Clare Blunt, Stuart and Elaine Bonner, Les and Barbara Giles, Wendy Harris, Peter and Maggie Hubbard, Ajit and Gita Kadirgamar, Juliette and Alan Knott, Jean and Michael Lishman, Lindsay MacDonald, Ian Sherborn, Liza Wormell, Jenny Yarrow.

### **Minutes of the last AGM held on 26<sup>th</sup> March 2014**

The Minutes of the 2014 AGM were approved and signed by Sandra MacDonald (acting Chair) as a true record. Sandra thanked Mandy Smith for writing up the Minutes.

### **Reports**

**Treasurer's Report and Receipts and Payments Account for the Year Ended 28<sup>th</sup>**

**February 2015** was presented by Margaret Emery, Treasurer.

**Attached**

The meeting thanked Margaret for all her hard work.

The Accounts were unanimously approved. Prop: Sue Newman / Sec: Penny Parslow

**Correspondence Secretary's Committee Report** presented by Sandra MacDonald.

**Attached**

The meeting thanked Sandra for all her hard work covering so many areas and new ideas.

### **Election of Committee and Officers**

**Chair** - Bernice Fuggle

**Deputy Chair** - Ian Sherborn

**Correspondence Secretary** - Sandra MacDonald

**Treasurer** - Margaret Emery

**Minutes Secretary** - Amanda Smith

**Webmaster** - Roger Fuggle

**Baptist Church Rep.** - Rev. Jonathan Stewart

**Village Hall Management Committee Rep.** - Chris Seagrave

**Committee Members** - Penny Parslow, Richard Bradstock, Nehal Firdausi.

A vote of confidence was given. Committee members: Prop: Trish Mallet / Sec: Jane Doyle

Officers: Prop: Terresa Clark / Sec: Sue Newman

New members of the Committee welcomed.

Current **vacancies** - Planning Officer, Publicity Officer, Events Team.

### **LKVS Handbook**

This is a major source of funding. 467 subscriptions, 7 complimentary memberships. This year's Handbook underway with a cover competition being run at Little Kingshill Combined School.

### **Forthcoming Village Events - dates for your diary:**

**Clearance of grass verges:** Sunday 29 March, Nursery School to Stony Lane; meet outside the Allotments with spades and brooms. Contact Richard Bradstock on 866660 for info.

**WI Spring Supper:** Saturday 11 April, 7 p.m. for 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall; welcome drink, byo wine etc. Tickets £15 each, still available from Gillian Grimer: tel. 862259

**Annual Big Village Litter Pick:** Sunday 3 May; meet at the Common 2 p.m., litter pickers, high vis vests, gloves and bin bags provided. Contact Peter Hubbard on 862457 for info.

**FOLKS Summer Fayre:** Sunday 5 July, 12m.d – 3 p.m. at the School; all very welcome.

**Christmas Carol Singing:** outside the Full Moon; date, and time tbc.

**2016 AGM:** Wednesday 23 March, 8.15 p.m. in the Village Hall; speaker tbc.

Ideas for events put to the meeting included:

- History Exhibition similar to the one enjoyed at the last AGM
- Summer Dinner (last one held about 4 years ago).
- Harvest supper – some support.
- Open gardens (Jenny Yarrow organised in past).

The meeting was asked to email Sandra with any other ideas.

## **AOB**

### **Planning**

Ron Summer said vehicles parked off Watchet Lane. PC has objected and some have been removed. PC also objected to sale of second hand vehicles at Bubbles but went through. White vans at back of Bubbles contravening planning regulations – responsibility of CDC Planning enforcement.

### **Traffic calming**

Councillor Nick Vigart spoke at length (see prepared speech attached) with reference to Sandra's email to the village dated 23<sup>rd</sup> March which explained the traffic calming measures for the village agreed between the PC and LKVS and approved at the LMPC meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> March, together with the order of priority.

Bernice explained that the positioning of white gates and village and 'pedestrians in road' signs is largely governed by the TfB survey and the need for uninterrupted 'vision splay' i.e. nothing obstructing the view for road users. This applies to Windsor Lane, Heath End Road and Watchet Lane. Not all the signs can coincide with the 30mph limits or include all the houses in Little Kingshill.

Sandra offered to circulate Nick Vigart's comments to the village.

### **Priestfield Arboretum open days**

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May and 18<sup>th</sup> October 2015 10.30am - 4.00pm.

The meeting closed at 10.15pm.