

## COLLINGHAM VILLAGES: SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD GROUP

Notes from the Safer Neighbourhood Group on **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 7.30 pm** in Youth and Community Centre, Low Street, Collingham, NG23 7NL

**Present:** John Berry, Chair (Girton), Rosemary Fabien (Collingham), Jayne Rose (Harby), Caroline Nolan (Harby) Wendy Parrett (Coddington), David Armstrong (Coddington) Linda Dales (South Scarle), Victoria Cassells (Spalford) Andy Coverdale (South Clifton), Phil Farmer (Winthorpe), Peter Rowlands, (South Scarle), PC Gareth Nicholls, PCSOs Andrew Mighall and Stuart Hicks.

1. Apologies were received from Anna Dennison (Thorney), Mark Kneen (Winthorpe), NSDC CPO Nick Widdowson
2. Minutes of last meeting - accepted
3. Matters arising
  - the Police's Road Safety Week session at Coddington was cut short but the police team will look to reschedule
  - LD to check that all Collingham villages flood lead contact details are up to date
  - Coddington reported a lull in the ASB outside the community centre
  - Spalford: Eagle Road speeding. VC to liaise with village re a speedwatch group and LD to request some speedwatch from NSDC
  - Spalford Warren: regular police and NDSC CPO visits, the addition of dog bins etc seems to have quietened things down. Police advise that this is youths coming in from elsewhere
4. PC/PCSO Report for the last quarter:
  - 14/2 hare-coursing, Collingham
  - 15/2 Discovery theft, North Clifton
  - 17/2 hare-coursing, Collingham South Scarle Road
  - 19/2 hare coursing at Moor Lane, South Clifton
  - 22/2 cable theft, Langford Crossing, Holme Lane
  - 23/2 scooters at Holme Lane cricket pitch (subsequent positive engagement from an offender 'giving back' by litter picking in the village with PCSO Mighall)
  - 25/2 further cable theft at Holme Lane
  - 5/3 suspected burglary call to farm at Thorney: fast police response but it was genuine late night working at the stables
  - 5/3 man on roof at Coddington community centre
  - 12/3 tyre slashing incident in South Scarle (suspect currently on police bail awaiting CPS review)
  - 20/3 keying of three parked cars on Station Road, Collingham but up near the pub (it is usually down by the station). CCTV captured it but poor quality
  - 25/3 High St Collingham: 2 men in van collecting. Were they scouting? \*\* see 'key messages' below
  - 30/3 The Green, Coddington: garage break-in and anti-social behaviour at the allotments
  - 22/4 8000 litres of fuel stolen from Tarmac Quarry Langford
  - 14/4 very anti-social deposits on and damage to a bench on a private property in South Scarle

23/4 Winthorpe: number plates stolen from a car parked on Holme Lane, and a Range Rover theft

**Operation Underdog:** Police dealing with increased Land Rover and Jag thefts in the area. Vehicle windows are smashed and diagnostics plugged in to OR (and becoming more common) keyless entry is achieved via keys cloned from the ir signal. **Please share advice\*\* see key messages below.** The stolen vehicles are driven to a place and left for 24 hours to see if the vehicle's tracking system is on and the vehicle located. If not, it is then collected by the thieves and moved on.

**\*\*Key messages to circulate to villages:**

**If scrap collectors** are seen around the villages, please call it in on 101 with time, place and vehicle details

**Land Rover/Jaguar owners:**

- Use an RFID blocker for car keys,
- park the vehicle in the garage,
- make sure that you keep subscriptions up to date for the 'In Control' tracking system that comes with the vehicle. If vehicle is stolen report it including its GPS co-ordinates.
- Leave the vehicle parked in 'service' mode, which immobilises it
- Use a good old-fashioned crook-lock

**5. District matters/Village reports**

- **Barnby** – nothing to report
- **Besthorpe** – not present

**Coddington** –

- Residents' consultation letter sent out by NCC re double yellow lines at the school. The cones that the school-crossing-controller was stopped from putting out (by NCC) have been stolen. Reports of an Amazon voucher scam.

**Collingham including Brough** - request for more Speedwatch from NSDC for Station Road and Swinderby Road (LD to request via NSDC and Collingham parish clerk). Car left in ditch at top of Carlton Ferry Lane (police aware)

**Girton** – nothing to report

**Harby** – ongoing parked cars on pavement near cycle track entrance

**Holme** – nothing to report

**Langford** -nothing to report

**North Clifton** – nothing to report

**South Clifton** – nothing to report

**South Scarle** – nothing further to report, both incidents already covered by police

**Spalford** – question asked re FB reports of a gentleman recently released from prison. Police are monitoring and no concerns at this time

**Thorney** – nothing to report

**Wigsley** – not present

**Winthorpe and Langford** – off-road bikes using track alongside pub to access fields behind, and a MotoX bike going up and down Gainsborough Road: query link to cable thefts?

**6. Any other business**

Police expecting a rise in ASB in Newark as the summer holidays approach

**7. Date and time of next meeting – Weds 24<sup>th</sup> July 2024 at 7.30, venue to be confirmed**