

MINUTES of the MEETING of the COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE held at THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, THE GROVE, SWANSCOMBE on WEDNESDAY 5 OCTOBER 2022 at 7.00 PM

**PRESENT:** Councillor Peter Harris - Chairman  
Councillor Peter Harman - Vice-Chairman  
Councillor Anita Barham  
Councillor Lorna Cross

**ALSO PRESENT:** Martin Harding – Assistant Town Clerk / Responsible Financial Officer  
Billy Unsworth – Kent County Council Community Warden

**ABSENT:** There were none.

180/22-23. **ARRANGEMENTS AND CONSTRAINTS REGARDING FILMING OR RECORDING THE MEETING.**

The Chairman explained the arrangements and constraints relating to the filming or recording of the meeting.

181/22-23. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Emma Ben Moussa, due to medical reasons.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Sue Butterfill, due to other commitments.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Lesley Howes, due to other commitments

Councillor Jay Shah had previously received dispensation from attending meetings for a six-month period commencing 21 July 2022 (minute 117/22-23).

**Recommended:** That the reasons for absence, for the Councillors listed, be formally accepted, and approved.

182/22-23. **SUBSTITUTES.**

There were none.

183/22-23. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.**

There were none.

***As per Standing Order 34 c) the Chairman adjourned the meeting at this point to allow members of the public to address the meeting in relation to the business being transacted at the meeting.***

**184/22-23. ITEMS DEEMED URGENT BY THE CHAIRMAN / MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES AND THEIR POSITION ON THE AGENDA.**

The ATC/RFO reminded those present that no case specific detail, names, and addresses, should be discussed during the public section of the meeting.

**185/22-23. TO CONFIRM AND SIGN THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6 JULY 2022**

**Recommended:** That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 6 July 2022 be confirmed and signed as a true record.

**186/22-23. POLICE COMMUNITY SUPPORT OFFICERS (PCSO) REPORT.**

PCSO Mitchell was absent but had provided the monthly update reports for June, July and August on recent activity and investigations undertaken in the areas of Swanscombe and Greenhithe.

**Recommended:** That the reports be noted.

**187/22-23. KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (KCC) COMMUNITY WARDENS REPORT.**

KCC Warden Unsworth gave an update on matters he had been involved with in the area, including furniture donations, lost wallets, dog attacks, a recent community day and his involvement with an unexpected sudden death.

**Recommended:** That the report be noted and KCC Warden Unsworth be thanked for his attendance.

**188/22-23. COMMUNITY SAFETY LIAISON.**

Kent Fire Service – Councillor Peter Harman updated that the fire service had been incredibly busy over the summer months and that he was due to attend a Kent Fire Liaison Meeting next week.

Neighbourhood Watch – The Chairman updated that a recent meeting of the Ingress Park Neighbourhood Watch had taken place, and that the group had reported problems with using the online reporting service from Kent Police.

Community Speed Watch – The Chairman updated that a session had been undertaken in the last month where x3 people had been caught exceeding the speed limit.

**Recommended:** That those who provided reports be thanked and the information be noted.

189/22-23. **DETAILED ANALYSIS OF CRIME STATISTICS FOR SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE.**

Members were provided and discussed the up-to-date detailed analysis of crime figures for Swanscombe and Greenhithe.

**Recommended:** That the information be noted.

There were no confidential items for discussion.

There being no further business to transact, the Meeting closed at 7.55 pm.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman Date

