

**Minutes of Chelsfield and Pratts Bottom Safer Neighbourhood Panel meeting held
on Wednesday 18 April 2018 at 7:30pm
in the Baptist Church Hall, Green Street Green**

1. Present

[Attendance List link.](#)

2. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from PS Gemma Harris, PCSO David Lillywhite, Cllrs Lydia Buttinger and Samaris Huntington-Thresher, Kim Botting, Sue Goacher, Geoff Lewry, Suganya Parthasarathy and Geoff Wright.

3. Minutes of the meeting on [24 January 2018](#)

These were agreed as a true record.

- **Matters arising:** None

4. Police Report ([Presentation link](#))

- Looking at the best using volunteers, as there is a lot of goodwill amongst different faith groups
- Croydon officer has set up a group called 'Faith Responders' – to contact when help is needed in an emergency – a meeting is to be set up with Bromley and Sutton officers to get them started
- Aim may be to link into Independent Advisors and to have a centrally held database of contacts
- Cllr Onslow is on SACRE where all faiths are represented
- PC Mitchell arrested a burglar who had committed crimes across Orpington
- Police carried out a search warrant in St Mary Cray with the DWP, relating to fraudulent claims of over £1.6m
- **Promises:**
 - **Youth Engagement:** Green Street Green Beavers, Guides and Brownies have been visited. The CSI presentation has been shown to Biggin Hill and Darwin, so they can roll it out. Police carried out stops on youths in Crescent Way area – mainly local
 - **Neighbourhood Watch:** new one opened in Benedict Close and hope ones will start in Leamington Avenue and The Brackens
 - **Vehicle Crime:** Gone to all building sites and insisted they mark their tools. Only one theft from vehicles in last 7 months.
- **Crime figures** well down on last year.
- **Burglary** – increased across all south London boroughs. There was a lot of activity around burglary prevention advice at the end of last November. There has been an increase on the ward over all three months January-March. Most have involved theft from sheds. The figures cannot be broken down between household and sheds as now they are put together. Cllr Onslow stressed that the psychological effect is just as bad, whether it is from a shed or the house.

- A South American based group has come over and is targeting larger houses in the south of England.
- **Theft of Motor Vehicles:** There has been a significant reduction in the ward but an increase in most of the borough. (Keyless keys should be stored in a Faraday box (Metal box) so thieves cannot read the key from inside the house – a number of expensive cars have been stolen by this means)
- **Theft from Motor Vehicles:** Figures are up on the ward but proportionately the same as across the borough.
- **Voice Your Concerns:** There were very few responses.
- **Community Contact Sessions:** Our police local team are exceeding the 'at least one hour per week'. Residents are encouraged to let the team know if there are any groups wanting a visit.
- Cllr Onslow mentioned speeding and fly tipping as being the two main concerns from local residents.
- Chelsfield Village Society – speeding is still a problem, particularly in Court Road. The Chair suggested having a speed gun test again, before the roundabout at Warren Road is implemented.
- Pratts Bottom – a stone was thrown through the new window of the hall and complaints have been made about people using the car park inappropriately and graffiti appearing.
- Mike Botting congratulated the team, as local residents have mentioned they are encouraged by the work the small team does and their presence is noticed.
- **New Promises – suggestions:**
 - Youth Engagement
 - Neighbourhood Watch
 - Personal Safety – Elderly/Vulnerable Residents – already tapped into all local contacts and distributed flyers. To liaise with Trading Standards liaise and look at it again in the winter months.
 - Vehicle Crime
 - ASB in Pinewood/Crescent Way
- **Choices:**
 - Youth Engagement (summer holidays looming)
 - Neighbourhood Watch – will assist in keeping an eye on vulnerable residents

5. Chair's Report

BCU Commander: Geoff Booth met up with the Chair and was very conscious of the difficulties of the amalgamation of the three boroughs, but believed he could bring to Bromley, some of his experiences from Croydon.

Police have now been issued with their tablets for crime reporting and new shift patterns have been introduced

See Twitter for Image of culprit stealing cars in about 30 seconds. 70 offences across Bromley, Orpington, Bexley and Petts Wood – Also targeting Range Rovers where they are stealing rear lights.

Internet crime:

- City of London Police collates all data – monitor and tries to track it down culprits– a lot coming from one area which is computer monitored, and they can then seek out the sites
- People are encouraged to mark it as spam and, after a certain number, the ISP is alerted and they do something about it
- **Report it to fibphishing@city-of-london.pnn.police.uk**, the more reports received, the more they would be investigated.

Street Parties – one at Warren Avenue. It was reported in the press that Bromley has had the largest number of parties registered in London Boroughs.

Smart Water is excellent for marking property and can be purchased online through the Safer Neighbourhood Watch. (See Chair if you want some) (Did cost £25.00 a year ago)

6. Any Other Business

Phillip Bradley was congratulated on his new appointment as Borough Faith Liaison Officer.

7. Date of the next meeting

Wednesday 18 July at 7:30pm at Green Street Green Baptist Church.

The meeting ended at 8:42pm.