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**Minutes of Chelsfield and Pratts Bottom Safer Neighbourhood Panel meeting held
on Wednesday 5 October 2016 at 7pm
in the Baptist Church Hall, Green Street Green**

1. Present

Attendance List kept.

2. Apologies for absence

Ed Cobby and Sue Goacher

3. Minutes of the meeting on 13 July 2016

These were agreed as a true record.

4. Matters Arising

None.

5. Trading Standards Presentation by Rob Vale

Rob Vale (Head of Bromley Trading Standards) showed a very moving presentation, with musical accompaniment by Coldplay (Fix you):

- Bromley population 320,000
- Ageing pop with increased dementia and increased risk of falls
- Elderly targeted by fraudsters
- Incidents of doorstep fraud are under reported
- Safeguarding is EVERYONE'S business
- Calls to Bromley Trading Standards increased from 99 in 2013 to 246 last year
- Telephone: **07903 852 090**
- More calls from people reporting scams
- More victims reporting incidents
- Staff – 4 down on last year
- 2 main investigators plus 4 others
- Lot of work with government – elder abuse is getting a much higher profile
- 2 National intelligence databases
- 79 talks to community groups since April

6. Police Report

- **Crime Statistics report:** included in the presentation (see separate file)
- 16 July - Stall at Chelsfield Village Fete
- 17 July - Penny and Thelma's Farewell at Pratts Bottom
- 30 July - Street Briefing in World's End Lane

- 3 Aug – met with Kent police officer, Amy – sharing information
- 20 Aug – Street briefing in Roseberry Gardens
- 27 Aug – Bike marking event in Chelsfield Park
- 28 Aug – Arne Grove – ASB – no calls since
- 3 Sep – at Greenwood Pop In
- 20 Sep – Coolkids Youth Club at All Souls Church, Pratts Bottom
- 30 Sep – Pratts Bottom RA AGM
- Promise 1 – personal safety – spoken to Saxon Centre, iCare, Mind – information pack and contact sheet (in large print). No referrals from residents groups yet about any vulnerable people at risk
- Promise 2 – road safety in Windsor Drive – 2 speed surveys
- Promise 3 – road safety in Chelsfield Village – monitored traffic in both directions where Village Hall, hospital etc are.
- Crime figures – compared with the cluster – over previous 6 months 16% reduction in notifiable offences (all types) (cluster went down 5%)
- Breakages into sheds have gone down
- Responding to more calls – particularly as ambulance service cannot cope. More calls involving mental health issues.
- Virtual ward panel survey – September – to 193 people – 40 completed

The following issues were raised:

Youngsters on motorbikes doing wheelies up Warren Road – police not aware

Cllr Onslow: Council plans approved to improve junction with Warren Road/Windsor Drive – to be made into more of a 90 degree turn. Ongoing problem in Windsor Drive with speed. Looking at adjustments to slow down traffic.

Rushmore Hill – traffic coming down from Knockholt into Pratts Bottom. Had meetings with residents. Vehicle activated sign and dragons teeth have eased the problem.

Kim Botting attended the SNB Crime Summit and MOPAC were not there. The state of the police service is unacceptable. All crime resources are now put into areas where there is crime – Mottingham and the Crays. It is creating a problem for other parts of the borough. It is a significant concern that, if calls come in from other parts of the borough, the police will not be able to get there quickly enough. As a Councillor, Kim is trying, through 3 MPs – Jo Johnson, Bob Neal and James Brokenshire – to get £400m cuts which are threatened to be set aside. Huge cuts of £600m have already had impact on the service.

Geoff Lewry (new panel member): Compared with US and France, the numbers of police officers are significantly lower in UK in relation to the population. In his opinion the training of officers is not as good as in previous years.

Councillor Onslow enquired whether figures can be produced to indicate how much crimes are under reported.

Bob Mills reported 10 silver cannisters in children's park in Glentrammon Recreation Ground.

Break-ins at village halls – Cllr Onslow reported that when culprits find nothing worth stealing, it sometimes escalates to setting fire to the building.

Promise options for the next quarter:

- Youth engagement – concerns about youths congregating around the Crescent, graffiti etc. – last year no ASB calls over Halloween
- Personal safety for elderly & vulnerable residents – to continue work already started
- Road safety – speeding on Windsor Drive – carry out further speed surveys
- Neighbourhood Watch – encourage more groups to be set up

- Theft from motor vehicles – review of car parks and providing literature – no thefts in December 2015, when would have expected a peak

Choices:

- Youth engagement
- Personal safety for elderly & vulnerable residents
- Road safety – speeding on Windsor Drive

7. Chair's Report

- No report as the Chair was absent

8. Any Other Business

- None

9. Date of the next meeting

Wednesday 25 January 2017 at 7pm at Green Street Green Baptist Church.

The meeting ended at 8:59pm