**Neighbourhood Watch Meeting 9th Oct 2018**

**Beeches Pub 7.30pm**

**Attendees:- Ted Clarke, John Saltmarsh, Colin Lewis, Colin Chalkley, Teresa Lewis, Malcolm Taylor.**

**Apologies:- PC David Walton, Pat Mapp (sent written apologies)**

**Meeting Notes:-**

***The aim is for these notes to be brief and different from previous meeting notes***

* There was no Police attendance at the meeting Dave Walton is on limited duties due to an injury so attendance was not expected in these circumstances
* Colin informed meeting of current crime figures locally:- See attached . In brief there has been less metal thief crime lately due to Police tracking successfully the reg numbers of certain culprits (usually from Birmingham)

ACTION FROM ALL VILLAGERS – take note of suspect reg numbers and text this to the local team on the 101Tel Number

* There was some discussion about the recent problem with Dobbies’ Island traffic island.
* Crime Figures will be going into the Villager as this acts as not only raising awareness but also about the activity of this NW group!
* Poplar Cres. – a neighbour was approached by someone who had been led to their house tracking a stolen phone. Victim happy neighbour was genuine in his ignorance of the stolen item!
* Ted Clarke mentioned that friends of The Library will be doing a bike check

ACTIONS – FROM WHOM?

* Colin is to email all previous NW members from list and question their commitment to group and inform them of next meeting etc
* TL to minute meeting with a health warning of her dyslexic disposition so please be tolerant!
* Meeting to be four monthly to keep up interest and hopefully increase attendance
* Colin to update membership dependent upon feedback from email – first action point
* TL to look at NW box left in the PC office- Any money to be banked by PC in NW account and ring fenced for any future needs
* Colin to put Crime figures in Villager when published by the Police.

**NEXT MEETING 5TH FEBRUARY 2019 7.30PM AT THE BEECHES**

**Latest police report that covers our area, (Received via email).**

**Crime Data**

The Crime Data below is for the Period July 1st-September 22nd 2018

**Bayston Hill FA16**

**Crime:**

|  |  |  |
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| Assault: 2 | Theft: 34 | Burglary Other: |
| Vehicle Crime: 5 | Criminal Damage: 2 | Burglary Dwelling: |
| Other: 6 | Road Traffic Incident: 10 | Road Collision: 10 |
| ASB Personal: 6 | ASB Environmental: | ASB Nuisance: 8 |

No reports from within Bayston Hill regarding rogue scrap metal dealers helping themselves to items off driveways have slowed down giving rise to the belief they are visiting new areas. The following vehicles are of interest, all registered to West Midlands area

1) White Ford Transit YU04 EVC

2) White Citroen Relay Van GX52 GXJ

3) White Ford Transit PK54 EVW

4) White Vauxhall Movano V829 HMS

5) White Ford Transit X307 NEG

6) White Ford Transit HALAQ 351 (Foreign Registered and being used for a business therefore if seen by Police will automatically be seized)

7) White Ford Transit HALAQ 287(As above)

8) White Ford Transit YY52 OLW

9) Blue Ford Transit YE55 HWJ

10) White Ford Transit SL05 OBY

11) Grey/White VW Van W824 JBW

and

12) Blue Ford Transit Y404RJH (Registered to address in Hereford)

Unlicensed Scrap Metal Collectors come under the remit of Shropshire Council, they issue the licences and are best placed to deal with licensing offences. A bonafide dealer cannot merely take items from off a driveway. They must speak to the resident and provide a written record as to what they are taking and from whom. Legitimate Scrap Metal Collectors must have a Shropshire Council issued Licence visible on the vehicle and be in possession of an Environment Agency issued Waste Carriers Licence. . Repeated warnings to residents have gone unheeded and until such time people refrain from leaving items outside for collection the problem will persist. A visit to Bayston Hill by Police and Shropshire Council Officials identified 22 properties whereby items had been left outside the front of properties seemingly for collection.

The Theft figures are high however 30/34 are Make off W/O payments at Esso Garage, Dobbies Island

Dobbies Island was prevalent with the Traffic Lights being out of service on 5 separate occasions, 7 RTC’s recorded during this time although none whilst lights were not operating and on 2 days the egress road was gridlocked with motorists taking several hours to clear the location.

*Copy of document sent to all people listed, plus BH Parish Office*.