

WEST PARLEY PACT

Minutes of PACT Panel meeting held on April 7 2011 at Parley First School

Present: Barbara Manuel (Chair), Jenni French (Deputy Head First School), Ian Curtis (Ferndown Police), Dick Heaslip (Chairman WPRA), Martha Perry (EDDC Community Safety Officer), Shirley Cowan (POPP), Sue Starmer (Clerk to West Parley Parish Council), Jon Ladd (minutes).

Apologies: Graham Kewley, Shaun Webb

Matters arising.

Street clutter - Prompt action by the EDDC Enforcement Officer had resulted in banners and signs being removed from Noarck premises and the adjoining garage needing to seek retrospective planning permission for their business as residents had complained of noise.

Glenmoor Rd – No sign of the lighting installation yet for the car park adjoining Tesco: **BM** will write to the landlords again.

Agenda

Speed Indicator device (S I D) - BM had requested a SID for West Parley in the last budgetary year but there was no money in the DCC budget. She was advised to resubmit an application for this year. **BM** will request DCC Highways Div. to do some speed monitoring in Glenmoor Rd to see if vehicle speeds reach the required criteria for a SID. Three locations for a SID will be requested (three poles for the one device so that it can be moved about) – in Glenmoor Rd, New Rd (South) and Christchurch Rd. The Panel learned of the tragic death of a man in a road accident in Glenmoor Rd in January which the Police have said was not caused by excessive speed.

Leaflet for Illegal Street Parking–A leaflet has been designed by the Police to be put on car windscreens advising drivers that their car is illegally parked, the consequence being a fixed penalty notice. The scheme will be publicised so that residents can inform the Police of a car they believe is parked illegally and the Police can leave a notice on the car. This scheme has Parish Council and PACT support. It will be publicised on the Parish Council (**SS**) & WPRA (**DH**) websites and distributed to parents of First School pupils (**JF**). **IC** will get the leaflets printed on a durable material.

Time limited polite notices at Parley Cross - There are two shops displaying the notice: an interim until parking restrictions are brought into force by DCC.

Plastic policemen – Funding recently refused for these. MP advised that she has a small PACT budget which could be used for one policeman. **BM** will apply formally to MP for this.

Fear of Crime – a significant problem in the local community. To help alleviate this, the Police (with Parish Council help) devised a leaflet which has been delivered to 1750 local households showing local crime statistics compared with Dorset averages. The local figures are very low.

Web site – is up and running: address is www.ferndownpact.com . Click on West Parley on the left hand side of the home page.

Walk to School week – the development of a visual and interactive programme for First School pupils concerned about speeding has been delayed for various reasons and will therefore not be ready for this Week, but will go ahead at some point.

Condition of pavements - on Christchurch Rd and Oakland Walk. Trevor Sams was not at the meeting and **JL** will advise him that this could be tackled by WPRA work parties.

No 'Cold Calling' zones – in a bid to reduce instances of cold calling for home improvements, changing energy supplier etc , Dorset Trading Standards and the Police intend starting a scheme whereby residents in a road or group of roads will be contacted to see if they would support such a venture. If more that 50% are in support the area can be designated a no Cold Calling zone: companies would be informed of this and if their representatives continued to call, the residents would have a contact number to call and the companies informed. This is not legally enforceable. This scheme has the support of PACT.

Any Other Business

The low wall at Tesco, Parley Cross car park was damaged a long time ago. BM has requested the landlords (an insurance company) make repairs but no result so far. **BM** will contact them again stressing the Health & Safety issue – it is not difficult for a partially sighted person to fall off the edge of the pavement into the car park. **BM** will also remind John Wilson.

The Police Community Office in the Barrington Centre is showing increasing numbers of visitors: usually for security advice, newsletters, general information and freebies.

Parley play park should be open by the end of April. It is a smaller version of Moors Valley Country Park and is an all wooden construction.

Date of next meeting : **THURSDAY JULY 7 AT 4PM AT PARLEY FIRST SCHOOL.**