

Minutes will be distributed by the secretary, but these are notes of interest.

Item 3 on agenda- report from Inspector Zara McAiney

The borough has lost 2 beat officers but replaced with 3. (Cole wasn't mentioned as a replacement)

Parish groups have been tweaked to ensure fairer cover by beat officers.

It was suggested they see parishes face to face every six months and written reports in between. Zara later said every three months.

I reported that Cole had been to a PC meeting and had attended a speedwatch session as well as his own attendance at the end of Knowle Road and No Entry.

Question- Did Wouldham PC respond to query about the last time we had seen beat officer?

Dylan at No Entry today issued tickets.

Issues over the summer:

- Catapults - Not considered an offensive weapon . Movement in govt to get this changed. If used against animals, catapults can be seized – cruelty to animals.
- Alison Finch- Public Space Protection order on catapults can be used as a deterrent, clerks to feedback to her of incidents.
- Shoplifting- lots of community events to address this.
- ASB rose over the summer- nuisance vehicles, shoplifting & catapults.
- Ongoing and future operations around Halloween, Diwali and Xmas.

Item 10 on agenda LGR

Kent appears fractured in its wishes

Late May is the time for decision by minister

Reform want a single council which would be cheapest option but query raised over enormous debts of other areas of Kent and would West Kent suffer higher council taxes etc when this areas debt is relatively small?

KALC website has a lot of info. Encourage all councillors to get a log in and see what is happening.

Item 11 Climate change

West Malling parish willing to advise on biodiversity, thermal imaging cameras etc.

Climate Change Plan

What is ours?

Need a baseline measurement so that we can measure the effectiveness of our Climate Change initiatives.

Item 12

new climate change offices at TMBC

Item 13

Need to make sure that Parishes know what is going on. Need information on the KALC website.

Please encourage councillors to go on the website

Item 14

Training on KALC News. Do all parishes receive it monthly?

Has Wouldham PC responded to request for information on past and present landfill sites? (To Mike TMBC)

Item 17

Next PPP can be attended on line. 6 Nov

Updates on LGR submission

Jan meeting on line- Teams