

# *Chiseldon Parish Council*



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## **14<sup>th</sup> December 2020 full council meeting, additional information**

### **Item 10. Community Group Safety meetings rep.**

#### **Email from Inspector Barry Reed from the Rural Swindon Police Teams**

Please accept my apologies for the delay in getting the attached documents out to you for consultation. I originally sent out an email at the end of August, updating you regarding the South Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team and my intention to revamp the Community Safety Group (to ensure uniformity across my Sector). I have carried out research in other Police Forces regarding these Safety Groups and believe that the attached Terms of reference do highlight best practice taken from around the country. I fully appreciate that there will be some parts that may need tweaking for the Communities we cover but I am keen for the CSG to allow Parish led problem solving and only involve itself when problems are escalated. The police stats (unless exceptional reporting) should be discussed at Parish level, which allows the CSG to concentrate on the higher level Community Priorities for each Parish Cluster, certainly in the last CSF I attended before COVID most of the discussions were around specific crime incidents, something I think we can all agree can be carried out in other forums.

The main document is a North, East and Rural Neighbourhood Engagement Plan – this is almost a pledge or commitment my team have to the Community. I have gone into some depth in relation to the areas of deprivation in Swindon and the resulting response that the Neighbourhood Team will need to act upon with partners. It is also based around the College of Policing neighbourhood principles and explain the structure for engagement opportunities within communities.

The NER team is divided into two South Sub-Sectors (South Rural and East Swindon) and two North Sub-Sectors (North and North Rural) we continued to have staffing investment with the arrival of PCSO Justine Trueman, who will be joining PCSO Emma Turner in the South Rural area. In January we will have Pc Andrew Caldwell joining the team and in April Pc Becki Berni returns from maternity leave, so the area will benefit from two police officers supported by two PCSO's as we move through 2021. PCSO Rachel Gilding will be transferring to East Swindon Neighbourhood in preparation of NEVS development. In addition to this we have three new

PCSO's deployed throughout NER Team – an establishment chart is shown within the Engagement Plan.

If I could ask;

Parish Clerks - can you send to your respective Parish Councillors for their perusal and feedback, please. If we could identify one Parish Councillor per Parish to represent at CSG please.

Ward Councillors – for your review and feedback please.

South CSF members – so quite big changes in the way the CSF ran and I am willing to discuss further if there are any queries. (For the CSF members who represent the East Swindon area a separate email is being sent)

I hope that we can get a virtual CSG meeting arranged before Christmas and once the ToR has been consulted we can move forward – it will need to be via Microsoft Teams as we are unable to use Zoom on Police Networked computers due to security issues.

**Please also see the 15 page document loaded up on MS Teams (Members of the public can request this document from the Clerk) and Terms of Reference document for the group also loaded on MS Teams.**

**Item 11. Approve 2021 meeting dates – see document on MS Teams for full details.**

Meeting dates 2021

Month	Full Council	EGPA	Planning	Finance
Jan	11th	18th	28th	5 <sup>th</sup>
Feb	8th	15th	25th	2 <sup>nd</sup>
March	8th	15th	25th	2 <sup>nd</sup>
April	12th	19th	29th*	6 <sup>th</sup>
May	10th	17th	27th	4 <sup>th</sup>
June	14th	21st	24th	1 <sup>st</sup>
July	12th	19th	29th*	6 <sup>th</sup>
Aug	9th	16th	26th	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Sept	13th	20th	30th*	7 <sup>th</sup>
Oct	11th	18th	28th	5 <sup>th</sup>
Nov	8th	15th	25th	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Dec	13th	20th	23rd?	7 <sup>th</sup>
	2nd Monday	3rd Monday	4th Thursday	1st Tuesday?  Schedule to be confirmed

**Item 12. Approve amendment to Financial Regs. (Taken from the NALC standard model)**

- 8.1 *If thought appropriate by the council, payment for certain items (principally Salaries) may be paid by banker's standing order providing that the instructions are signed, or otherwise evidenced by two members are retained and any payments are reported to council as made. The approval of the use of banker's standing order shall be renewed by resolution of the council at least every two years.*

Over the Covid period, salary cheques to staff have either been massively delayed or have gone missing once posted to respective banks, or paid it at the Post Office. Paying the staff salaries by Standing Order (the salaries are the same each month), allows the Council to ensure their staff are paid in a timely fashion. Standing Orders can be changed so that any alteration in salaries can be addressed at the time. Standing Orders to the bank require several signatures, the same as any cheque written by the PC.