

East Joint Committee – 9 December 2008	
Report of the Southam/Feldon Community Forum	
The Southam/Feldon Community Forum met on 18 November at Southam College and this is the note of their meeting.	
Matters Discussed (for information only)	
The following items were discussed:	
David Wise was confirmed as chair of the Forum.	
Sgt Mandy Crust provided a presentation on community policing issues relating to the area. This included an update on previous matters raised at the previous meeting of the Forum	
<p>Priorities identified to be addressed over the next three months were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Highways, drainage, cleaning of roads, grass verges & signage ▪ Nuisance Youths ▪ Cross border intelligence 	
<p>“Sad, Mad & Glad” - an exercise that gave those the present the opportunity to identify any issue that made them sad, mad or glad about the area. Issues highlighted included:</p> <p>Youth facilities Flooding Lack of volunteers to support community activity Lack of public transport Improving public maintenance e.g. grass cutting, cleaning signs Recycling service is excellent Illegal parking HGV's in villages</p>	
The 'Have Your Say' session raised a number of issues by local residents. These included the need for information about the Core Strategy to be more widely available, Also progress being made with regard to the new recycling scheme. Promotion and publicity of the Forum and how that can be further improved.	
Matters Referred to the Joint Committee for attention (for discussion)	
Issue	Recommendation
Ensure information about the Core Strategy gets to all parishes including those that don't receive freebie newspapers.	Information about the Consultation process on the Core Strategy needs to be made more widely available for example through Neighbourhood Watch

For further information on anything contained within this report, please contact David Wise, Chair Southam/Feldon Community Forum or Martin Gibbins (tel.: 01789 290784)

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Report of the Wellesbourne/Kineton Community Forum

The Wellesbourne/Kineton Community Forum met on 20 November 2008 at Kineton High School and this is the note of their meeting.

Matters Discussed (for information only)

The following items were discussed:

David Close was confirmed as Chair of the Forum

The Forum had a theme of Young People. The Forum received presentations from young people and during discussion issues raised included:

Perception of Young People is a barrier and needs to be addressed
Transport to and from facilities located outside the immediate area
Lack of activities – but recognized that things are improving
Need for more volunteers to support young peoples activities
Need to listen and respond to young people
Young people do support their community and undertake activity within their community
Police emphasised that “nuisance youths” are not a big problem
Short lease (12 month) on Wellesbourne Youth Centre
Need for funding for projects for example improving IT facilities
Young people want to learn from experience of groups elsewhere

PCSO Henri Smith and PC Chris Cuthbertson provided a presentation on community policing issues relating to the area. This included an update on previous matters raised at the previous meeting of the Forum

Priorities identified to be addressed over the next three months were:

- Speeding
- Anti social behaviour in Kineton by all ages
- Anti social behaviour in Lighthorne Heath

All of those caught in a recent Police speeding initiative were local residents

The ‘Have Your Say’ session raised a number of issues by local residents. These included the need for clear information about the Core Strategy as letters sent to residents had caused some confusion. A number of schemes were going forward for funding in January for flood prevention works including schemes in Wellesbourne, Alcester, Broom.

Matters Referred to the Joint Committee for attention (for discussion)

Issue	Recommendation
Facilities for young people, including transport	The Forum would like to see more done for the young people in the area, specifically in regard to transport to and from activities for young people.
Maintenance including grass cutting timescales, leaf clearing.	The Forum would like to see more information provided on programmed maintenance.

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