

## Purfleet on Thames Community Forum.

Minutes for open meeting 25<sup>th</sup> March 2014.

1. JR opened the meeting and welcomed members and guests, for the benefit of newcomers JR outlined the function of the forum within the community.
2. As always no apologies were recorded but several faces were missing.
3. Minutes of previous meeting were read and agreed.
4. Sheri our local PCSO gave a rundown on the months crime figures, please see attached list. Although figures seem to be down it has been noted that the problem with off road bikes seems to be growing. Sheri was asked if there was any information regarding the fire on the spider where many thousands of pounds of play equipment was destroyed, Sheri appeared to have no knowledge of this incident but confirmed that she would look into it for the next meeting.
5. JR introduced our main speaker Ann Osola new head of Transportation and Highways. Ann explained that she had been in the job 2 days this meeting being the end of her second day, with this in mind and not knowing a fantastic amount about the area she asked for feedback and questions. Many

issues were raised some of which will be forwarded to other departments. The list is quite extensive but the basis of the issues were as follows.

Night time noise from the Cornwall House and BOC plant opposite.

Commuter parking outside Riverview flats causing major problems with car being able to get past and obstructing the foot path.

White lines to be reinstated on the Mardyke Park estate so that drivers know how the road goes and where they have to stop etc.

There were many issues regarding potholes, it was stated that large potholes should be repaired within 72hrs smaller ones will take longer.

Gareth suggested that for minor road resurfacing that tar and chips would be a better option and would last considerable longer than existing methods. Ann's colleague promised to take this point back for consideration.

The safety of the retaining wall outside Botany Cottages breaking away and is badly cracked as specially at the end nearest the gates to the old Wimpy site.

There was also suggestions regarding using the old wimpy site for commuter parking.

Speed bumps for traffic speed control

Finally there were two outstanding project that should have been completed but had not even started this being the Toucan crossing on the Purfleet Bypass {started just prior to meeting} and the realignment of Purfleet Road Avely junction with A1306.

Jane asked if there was any action being taken with our previous request that the speed limit on the A1306 from Meads roundabout to M25 intersection is lowered to 30mph for its entire length, there was also a request to alter the lane markings for west bound traffic at the Watts Wood A1306. A copy of this request and the outstanding work has been forwarded to Ann for her information.

Ann thanked the floor for their question and promised to get back to us with a list of noted questions and answers where known, SEE ATTACHED she also suggested coming back to us later in the year.

JR thanked Ann for coming along and looked forward to seeing her later in the year.

6.AOB and matters arising. None were noted.

7.As always JR thanked all present and asked that if they enjoyed the meeting then please tell others JR also thanked all that had said they would deliver fliers for the next meeting.

8. Meeting closed

