

**Notes from the Inaugural Meeting of the
Newbury Town Centre Community Forum (NTCCF)
held at
The Town Hall, Market Place, Newbury
on
Tuesday 22nd January 2019**

There were 19 attendees at the meeting:

R Hunneman (TCCF Chair)	S Carr (TCCF Secretary)
P Wilmer	R Sheikh
A Mercado	J Brown
M Lawrence	A Lawrence
J Carr	Insp M Tucker (TVP)
T Lewis (TVP)	M Vickers (NTC)
H Peacock (NTC)	L Hayes (Racecourse)
A Moore (NSP)	W Berkeley
M Ambler	

1. Apologies

L Doherty (WBC); D Bennyworth (WBC);

2. General Introduction of new format of meeting

RH gave a brief introduction of how the meeting would proceed and asked those present to introduce themselves. He then asked Insp Tucker to give a debrief of the World Café meeting held in November.

3. Debrief by TVP of World |Café Meeting

An analysis of the World Café meeting had produced a number of concerns from those present which has produced a list of possible priorities for both the Police and the Community. They were as follows:

Homelessness	Cyclists	Lack of parking (Catherine Road)
Alleyway from Catherine To Station	A Boards in Town	Lighting in Alleyways and underpasses
Personal safety	Charity Collectors	ASB – Youth Groups,
Youth Centre being closed	Poor lighting round Racecourse	
Violent crime	Poor communication from Authorities and TVP	
	Noise late at night	Noisy (moped) bikes

What needed to happen now was for the meeting to decide which were the top 3 priorities for the Community Forum to take on and which were the top three for TVP.

Insp Tucker went on to say that TVP will take on three priorities, but needed the Forum to act as well with the chosen Forum priorities.

4. Setting of Priorities

After some discussion the following Community priorities were agreed:

- i. A Boards – some discussion on this and J Carr offered to take this priority on and contact WBC. To report back at next meeting.

- ii. Parking issued Catherine Road – suggested that WBC should be contacted as well as local Councillor. It was felt that the local residents needed to get together and contact the Council. The alleyway, poor lighting and groups of youths would be dealt with by TVP. A Have your Say door knock will be held.
- iii. Charity (Chuggers). After some discussion S Powell agreed to find out who is responsible for authorising them; is there a Code of Conduct and what can be done.

The following priorities were agreed by TVP

- i. Violent Crime/ Nighttime economy
- ii. ASB – to cover Youth Groups; Cycling; Noisy vehicles
- iii. Homelessness – working with Local Authority. S Powell to supply information on cold weather plans. SP also said she would try to get the Council Housing Officer to come to the next meeting.

5. Signing of Constitution Page

This is now to be scrapped

6. Any Other Business

H Peacock: Gave details of the recent CCTV update. Insp Tucker said that there were still 2 cameras not working. There was also a Police radio in the monitor room so that quick communication could be made.

T Lewis: Communication – suggested that someone should set up a Facebook page. Also a brief report to be submitted to NWN. At the time there were no offers to do this.

P Wilmer: No rubbish collection. Was advised to contact Ward Councillor and WBC to get the matter resolved.

W Berkeley; Had a concern with the contractors working on the old bus station who were using her facilities (water/electricity) without permission. No response from WBC when she complained to them. Was suggested she contact WBC by email or write to N Carter CEO of WBC.

E Jones: Cromwell Place. Very noisy early morning rubbish collections in Northbrook Street. The resident was advised to contact Environmental Health and give details of the location of the vehicle.

7. Next Meeting

Meetings for the next 9 months are as follows:

Monday	1 st April
Tuesday	21 st May
Tuesday	23 rd July
Tuesday	24 th September