

Runnymede Borough Council
CRIME AND DISORDER COMMITTEE
5 October 2017 at 7.30pm

Members of the Committee present: Councillors M J Maddox (Chairman), D A Cotty (Vice-Chairman), J R Ashmore, Miss E G Bancroft, Mrs L M Gillham, N M King, Mrs G M Kingerley, Mrs C S S Manduca and P S Sohi

Members of the Committee absent: None

Councillors J R Furey, M T Kusneraitis, S M Mackay, D W Parr, Miss J K Sohi, Mrs G Warner and J J Wilson also attended the meeting.

268 FIRE PRECAUTIONS

The Chairman read out the Fire Precautions.

269 NOTIFICATION OF CHANGES TO COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

The Group mentioned below had notified the Chief Executive of their wish that the change listed below would be made to the membership of the Committee. The change was for a fixed period ending on the day after the meeting and thereafter the Councillor removed would be reappointed.

Group	Remove From Membership	Appoint Instead
Conservative	Councillor Miss D Khaliq	Councillor Mrs G Kingerley

The Chief Executive had given effect to this request in accordance with Section 16(2) of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989.

270 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 6 July 2017 were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

271 RUNNYMEDE POLICING UPDATE

The Committee received a policing update from Inspector Scott and Sergeant White.

Surrey Police continued to work with Runnymede Borough Council and other agencies to provide a preventative approach to Crime and Disorder in Runnymede. Neighbour policing currently consisted of 120 Officers in 5 different teams who provided 24 hour cover. 10 patrol units covering the daytime hours with 8 patrol units covering at night.

Surrey Police offered good value for money with the average band D property contributing £220.19 per annum to the Police which equated to 60p per day.

Surrey Police continued to work closely with RHUL. Successful joint working with Environmental Health Officers and local residents assisted the Police in dealing with student parties in the neighbourhood, which had resulted in several closure orders being issued.

The increase in traveller incursions had been across Surrey and not exclusive to Runnymede. The Chief Inspector was currently undertaking a review on dealing with traveller incursions.

600 roads had been affected from 24 March 2017 when lights were dimmed between 12 midnight and 5am. No main roads were affected. Assessing the effect of the dimming of lights in relation to an increase in crime would take some time to ascertain. However, currently there was no clear evidence of any peaks or troughs in domestic burglaries since dimming of the street lights had been introduced.

The HMIC's latest assessment of Surrey Police was as follows:

- The extent to which the force was effective at keeping people safe and reducing crime was good.
- The extent to which the force was efficient at keeping people safe and reducing crime was good
- The extent to which the force was legitimate at keeping people safe and reducing crime was good.

Members were concerned to note the increase of 22.6% in Domestic Burglaries. The Committee was advised that combatting Domestic Burglary was the Borough team's current principal crime objective. Operation Spearhead had recently seen 40 arrests in relation to domestic burglaries. Surrey Police were asked to provide information on any successful arrests following the spate of daytime burglaries in late August/September in Egham and Englefield Green. It was noted by Members that in some cases the Police were not able to attend following a burglary and were asked to provide a breakdown of the figures in relation to non-attendance at both commercial and domestic burglaries at its next meeting.

Runnymede continued to have the lowest levels of ASB reported to the Police in the three northern division boroughs. However, there had been an increase of 200 cases during the last year, most of which were due to rowdy and inconsiderate behaviour. Interventions at the Addlestone One multi storey car park had been successful. Members requested that the Police present Thorpe village ASB separate from Thorpe Park data in future if possible.

The Chief Executive advised Members of the Committee that he was currently liaising with Surrey Chief Executives in order to produce a Surrey wide paper on the issues relating to traveller incursions. The paper would be presented to the Committee when finalised.

(The meeting ended at 8.25 pm)

Chairman