



**BRITISH
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POLICE**

**Central Sector
Neighbourhood Policing Team
PACT Meeting Minutes**



Author:	PCSO 4294 Hardcastle
Date:	27/09/2011 10am
Location:	York Railway Station, Academy Room 3.

1. PRESENT:

PS Stephanie Reynolds	(BTP)	SR
PC Kevin Andrews	(BTP)	KA
PCSO Shaun Hardcastle	(BTP)	SH
Andy McNeil	(TPE)	AMc
Richard Whittaker	(Salvation Army)	RW
PCSO Nigel Klovins	(NYP)	NK
John Iemboli	(NYP)	JI
Chris Goodwin	(NWR)	CG
Linda Riding	(ISS)	LR
Sally Anne Downs	(ISS)	SAD
Stuart Rawcliffe	(East Coast - EC)	EC- SR

DISCUSSION

SR SR thanked everyone for attending

UPDATE SINCE LAST MEETING

SH SH gave an overview of what the team had been doing since the last meeting which included; Operation Bench (which was in response to the rioting around the country), policing the EBOR race meeting, a railway safety talk at Joseph Rowntree school in York and being involved in other NPT activity in areas that the team cover, for example; conducting a Knife Arch at Doncaster railway station and cycle theft patrols at Retford. Overall it had been a quieter 8 weeks for the York PACT area.

PREVIOUS ACTIONS

SR **Paola Vitolo (PV)** to explore the possibility of having a monitor installed around the men's toilets on platform 3 Re the graffiti problems.
This action is completed as it was rejected by the station manager. The graffiti has also died down.

KA & PV to look at signage around the new cycle entrances.

This was completed; signs are on order and awaiting delivery, it was also stated that funding for them is currently a slight problem and also the planning permission.

ACTION: AN ACTION WAS RAISED FOR OFFICERS TO BE PRESENT AROUND THE SHORT STAY CAR PARK BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 0700-0900. TO STOP THE PUBLIC CYCLING ALONG THE PLATFORM TO THE RACKS.

PSP UPDATES

SR SR explained that there isn't currently a PSP running for the York area but there are currently some on different areas of the patch we cover.

ANY ISSUES/WHATS HAPPENING

- AMc** **AMc** mentioned that Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) on the last couple of trains to Middlesbrough on a Friday & Saturday night has significantly decreased. He also stated that TPE Security is still travelling on the service and that staffing numbers onboard have also increased.
- SR** stated that TPE as a company have put a lot of effort into working in partnership with BTP in solving the problem and that they have done everything they possibly could.
- SR** also asked that we be kept informed of any re-emerging trends of anti social behaviour on that particular route so that it can be dealt with as soon as possible.
- NK & JI** **NK** mentioned that the local authority is holding an Action Meeting for the Micklegate area. **KA** stated that he will attend the meeting as it is in a close proximity to York Railway Station.
- NK – JI** stated that there are only 2 more days of horse racing events remaining and that they are expecting roughly 8000-9000 people to attend the first day (7th October) and roughly 17000 people attending on the second day (8th October).
- EC - SR** stated that East Coast will publicise the railway stations parking system for next years EBOR race meeting in good time so those using the station are aware of the temporary change i.e. the use of the long stay car park to assist traffic flow by people being directed to drop off passengers at the long stay car park, thus freeing up congestion in Tea Room Square and surrounding roads.
- NK** **NK** asked if BTP would be conducting any knife or drugs dog operations in the near future and if so could we let them know in order to work in partnership. **SR** stated that she would look in to the possibility of setting it up.
- RW** **RW** mentioned that the arches under Queen Street were extremely tidy and had been for a little while now with no evidence of any rough sleepers.

SR informed him that officers from the team had been doing regular early patrols which may have helped.

EC – SR stated that the staff on night shifts have started to notice the occasional rough sleeper in the glass waiting rooms.

RW asked if any details were gathered that they be sent to him.

SR asked RW if Salvation Army has a list of people sleeping rough and if any were seen as priorities. If so, could BTP could assist in any way. RW stated they are trying to help a number of people and there are a handful of homeless people who if spoken to by officers must be encouraged to engage with Salvation Army and services. Names were provided and it was confirmed that officers already distribute the street walk documents to anyone requiring it.

ACTION: AN ACTION WAS RAISED FOR RW TO PRODUCE A SALVATION ARMY POSTER TO BE DISPLAYED AT YORK STATION.

ACTION: AN ACTION WAS RAISED FOR SR TO EMAIL THE SAMARITANS TRAINING DATES TO LR.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

CG **CG** explained the type of equipment etc that NWR are trialling in the coming weeks to combat Graffiti around the area.

KA **KA** stated that shrubbery at the end of the Cinder Lane foot path had become overgrown and could become a safety issue as it is a secluded area.

ACTION: AN ACTION WAS RAISED FOR EITHER SH or KA TO EMAIL A PICTURE OF THE AFFECTED AREA TO CG TO FAULT WITH NETWORK RAIL.

SR Thank you all for attending, it's much appreciated.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 22nd November, a reminder email shall be sent out closer to the time.

ACTIONS ARISING FROM MEETING			
REF/ITEM	ACTION	WHO	DEADLINE
C-19-01	Officers to patrol the area around the short stay car park between the hours of 0700-0900hrs to stop the public cycling along the platform to the cycle racks	NPT / BTP	
C-19-02	To produce a salvation army poster to be displayed at York Station	Richard Whittaker	
C-19-03	Provide details of the next Samaritans training dates to Linda Riding	PS Reynolds	
C-19-04	Email a picture of the area of York Station where the foliage is overgrown with a view to East Coast raising a fault with Network Rail	PCSO Hardcastle	