

Police Partnership Panel Meeting

Meeting Notes

Tuesday 4th April 2023

1. **Present:** Cllrs T. Beckett, Hughes, Love, Manton
Inspector Greenaway and Town Clerk.

2. **Disclosure of Interests**

None were received.

3. **Confidentiality Agreement**

Members were reminded that confidential information may be discussed. The Confidentiality Agreement was signed by Cllrs Hughes and Love.

4. **Meeting Notes**

The notes were approved.

5. **Update from Local Policing Team**

Inspector Greenaway updated the meeting on local issues.

There are currently no identified county lines activity. There has been a recent breakthrough with a recent drug supply from Stoke which has been stopped.

There continues to be use of drugs in the town; most of which is recreational.

There has been an increase in local intelligence since the new constable has started.

There is a shortage of CSOs; one is off on long term sick and there is a shortage of new recruits. There are police officers based at the Police Station and officers meet in town for morning briefings.

The town continues to be supported by officers/CSOs from surrounding towns. New CSOs should be in place during the summer.

The demand on the police is increasing; the local officers need to move around quicker and do not always have time to walk the beat.

6. **Other Issues**

1. Update on artwork on W H Smith building, Queen Street.

Still waiting for permission from W H Smith. The Grove have agreed that student will produce some artwork.

2. Anti Social Behaviour, how are our local Police tackling it.
There has been a rise in ASB – the police and schools are working together to identify those involved.
3. Police Officers and Police presence in Market Drayton – already covered.
4. Smartwater Initiative – to consider correspondence received (copy attached)
This has previously been discussed; it was too expensive for the whole town.
5. Vaping issues at local schools - Local police teams are working with the schools and Trading Standards are doing test purchases.
6. Update on drug searches in local pubs - To be carried out over the Easter period.

7. **Next Steps**

Items to be discussed at the next meeting to be sent to the clerk.