



## Doddinghurst Neighbourhood Watch



### Notes of Neighbourhood Watch Meeting on Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2009, Doddinghurst

#### **Attendance**

The meeting took place in the Parish room. It was attended by 13 people, including the chair, Bill Reid and Colin Freeman.

Apologies received from Jody, Moira and Susan.

#### **Finance**

Robin reported that the current net balance on our account is £585.89.

#### **Speed Watch**

Bill has been advised that it is important to correctly identify the colour of any speeding car in addition to the registration. If the colour does not match on the records, then no further action is taken. We should ensure that at least 3 people take part each time to ensure that all the correct data are identified and recorded.

No action has been taken on the car caught speeding in excess of 60 mph. Apparently the registration did not match. Concern was expressed that our hard work in this area does not always produce the results expected.

#### **Crime Update**

Little to report this month. Information from Moira is that crime in the village is down.

#### **Neighbourhood Watch Signs**

We are now ready to install the signs, which will be located on BT poles around the village. There is a total of 30 signs. They should be positioned at a minimum height of 2.3m (approximately 8 feet). Peter Fisk, Peter Froebel and Bill have volunteered to install the signs.

Note: Since the meeting about half the signs have been installed.

## **Junior NHW**

- On 21<sup>st</sup> June, Peter Fisk will take a group of children to the Police Museum at Chelmsford, which will include a guided tour of the establishment. He will be accompanied by Maggi Cooper, the headmistress. The total cost of the trip will be about £40, which will be paid by the school. We will make a donation of £15 to the museum.
- Peter Fisk has viewed two videos including *If Only I Had Known*, to assess their suitability for the school. He stated that the content is much more related to urban society and is not appropriate for our setting here in Doddinghurst. He recommended that we do not proceed further with them.

## **Doddinghurst Fun Day**

- This will take place on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July, starting at 10:45.
- Bill confirmed that the mobile police station will attend.
- He also understands that the police interceptor vehicle will attend.
- Moira will be taking fingerprints of volunteer schoolchildren.

## **Web Page**

The Doddinghurst web site can be found at

<http://www.pdfisk.co.uk/community/nhw/nhw.html>

## **AOB**

- Robin confirmed that the suggestion box has been installed in the Post Office and is located at the rear of the shop next to the counter.
- Ingrid reported that the problems with her front border are continuing.

## **Future events**

- The next NHW meetings will be on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July and 4<sup>th</sup> August 2009 at 2pm.
- The Doddinghurst Fun Day will be held on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2009.

Peter Froebel  
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