

**Notes of the meeting of Area Forum West  
held at Kingsbury Methodist Church on  
Thursday 21 September 2017**

**Present:** Borough Councillor Jenns in the Chair.  
Borough Councillors Lewis, Moss and Phillips. Borough and County  
Councillor Reilly.

**In attendance:** J Price - North Warwickshire Borough Council. PCSO's Beale and Owen - Warwickshire Police. J Price, C Price, A Price and D Ellison, M Colclough, A Trout, D Trout, D Simkin – Residents. P Simkin and A Vaughton – Curdworth Parish Council. J and I Thomas – Piccadilly Community Association. C Aysamay and J McNally – Kingsbury Parish Council. B Woollaston – Nether Whitacre Parish Council.

**Apologies:** PC Scott Ramsdell, Warwickshire Police. Councillors Lea and Payne.

**1 Notes of the meeting held 2 March 2017**

The notes of the meeting held on 2 March 2017 were approved and signed by the Chairman.

**2 Safer Neighbourhoods**

An update was given on the Safer Neighbourhood priorities set at the meeting in March 2017. Following a discussion it was decided that no Safer Neighbourhood priorities be set this time because there was a lack of confidence that there are sufficient policing resources available to carry them out.

**3 Representation on Outside Bodies**

The appointment of representatives to the following outside bodies were agreed;

- Kingsbury Liaison Group – Councillors Jenns and Moss
- Middleton Hall Trust – Councillor Reilly
- Piccadilly Community Association – Councillor Lewis
- Stanyer's Charity – Councillors Jenns and Moss.

**4 Review of Area Forum Working**

The Forum noted the report considered by the Borough Council's Executive Board regarding the review of Area Forum working. Members of the Forum were invited to offer comments on how engagement with local communities might take place in the future.

Generally comments were in support of the Forum being retained. However it was acknowledged that the meetings were not working in the present format.

Suggested changes were;

- A mechanism for agenda items from all participants
- Improved publicity of meetings
- Safer Neighbourhoods item to be kept to half an hour
- Better resourced meetings
- Venues to be set in advance.

It was proposed by Mr Trout that support be given to meetings taking place four times a year involving the County, Borough and Parish Councils, the Police and public based on the current geographical forum areas. Upon being put to the meeting the vote was carried unanimously.